# Town Council Meeting August 3, 2020 Minutes

- 1. The meeting of the Campobello Town Council was held on August 3, 2020 in the Campobello Fire Department bay area where the CDC Guidelines were followed by sanitizing all tables and chairs, spacing seating 6 feet apart, the wearing of face masks and hand sanitizer. The meeting was called to order by Council Member Jason Shamis at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Council Members, Don Cohenour, Reitha Stevenson, Alician Sprouse and Jason Shamis. Invocation was done by Police Chief Chad McNeill, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **2.** Introduction of the Council Members took place immediately following the invocation. Also, in attendance were Fire Chief, Eddie McNeill and Police Chief, Chad McNeill.
- **3.** Council Member Jason Shamis made a motion to accept the July 6, 2020 minutes seconded by Reitha Stevenson and carried unanimous.
- **4.** An update on the police department's total calls for the months of June and July could not be given due to Spartanburg Communications not yet releasing that information.
- **5.** An update on the fire department's total calls for the months of June and July could not be given due to Spartanburg Communications not yet releasing that information.

### 6. New Business-

- A town resident, Ms. Jeanne Rist, asked for response times for the Campobello Police Department. Chief Chad McNeill responded that the Campobello Police Department's response time was within a 4-5 minute range.
- The second reading of the Town's Firework Ordinance 9.300 was done by Council Member Jason Shamis. Motion was made by council member Don Cohenour to accept the second reading of the amendment, which was seconded by council member Reitha Stevenson and carried unanimous.
- Council Member Alician Sprouse presented the banner that was made for the Family Fun Day in 2021. After much thought, Alician suggested that the Family Fun Day be held on the first Saturday in May of each year. For 2021, the event would be held on May 1, 2021.
- Council Member Jason Shamis read the Town's Yard/Garage Sale Ordinance (Chapter 14) as a reminder to the town's residents that only two yard/garage sales can be held by the same household per month.

- Fire Chief Eddie McNeill address council in regards to a Parks and Recreation Development (PARD) grant that he would like to apply for and use the funds to make upgrades to Gosnell Park. Through this grant, the State would pay 80% of the cost of the project and the Town would be responsible for 20% of the cost. An application must be submitted within a month. The recommendations were to upgrade the old picnic tables with more studier metal picnic tables and possibly put in a concrete slab near the basketball court for picnic tables to be placed there as well. Council Member Don Cohenour suggested looking into upgrading the grill at the park. Chief McNeill will obtain pricing for the different projects for council to review. Council Member Jason Shamis asked that a Facebook Poll be constructed to allow the town residents to give their input on what they would like to see happen at Gosnell Park.
- Chief Chad McNeill updated everyone on the completion of upgrading and graveling the town's portion of Emma Drive. The cost came to \$3,000 and would have cost the town more had several of the Town's officers not stepped in to help on their days off. It is expected that in 6 months or so, a small load of gravel will need to be placed on top of what is already there. Council Member Reitha Stevenson asked about a road sign for Emma Drive. Chief McNeill responded that it had been ordered, along with a post for Rector Street that needed replacing. Council Member Jason Shamis proposed that the three (3) officers involved in getting this project completed be given bonuses of \$100 each. Motion was made by Council Member Don Cohenour that each of the three officers receive a \$100 bonus, which was seconded by Council Member Alician Sprouse and carried unanimous.
- Town resident, Mr. John Owenby, raised concern about the elevated, rough area on Asheville Hwy. just before the bridge where Big Glenn's Restaurant is located. The Town Clerk will submit a maintenance request to the State for it to be repaired.
- Town resident, Mr. John Owenby, raised concern about the Mayor's absence at the past few meetings and wondered if it were due to illness. Council Member Jason Shamis explained that the Mayor's absence was due to his work schedule.
- Town resident, Joanne Rist, asked if golf carts could be driven on the roads as she has seen several on Asheville Hwy. Chief Chad McNeill affirmed that you can drive a golf cart in town and on county roads as long as you have a permit sticker from the State. However, you are not allowed to drive a golf cart on State roads.
- Town resident, Joanne Rist, also asked if the town was doing anything to help parents whose children on the hybrid schedule. Council Member Jason Shamis stated that while they cannot help parents with childcare, parents should rest assured that the Police Chief and Campobello officers are always there to help and are well-known by most, if not all, of the children at Campobello Gramling and Holly Springs.

## 7. Old Business-

- Council Member Jason Shamis asked about the progress of Duke Energy installing the light pole at Asheville Hwy and Old Asheville Hwy. Chief Chad McNeill responded that he had been in contact with Duke Energy, but that he would call again to find out the status of getting this light pole in place.

- Council Member Jason Shamis that he hoped to have the Town's Planning Committee established by fall 2020.

## 8. Other Business-

- Council Member Don Cohenour brought to everyone's attention that weeding needed to take place at the street signs on Depot Street and Lanford Street. Also, that the sign on Rector Street had been knocked over again. Chief Chad McNeill will spray around the signs and has ordered a new post for the Rector street sign.

### 9. Adjourned- August 3, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

With no further business presented, Council Member Don Cohenour made a motion to adjourn, second by Council Member Reitha Stevenson and carried unanimous.

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Town of Campobello Council Meeting minutes recorded by Town Clerk, Kim Hyder on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2020.

## Town Council Meeting – Work Session August 15, 2020 **Minutes**

- 6. The meeting of the Campobello Town Council was held on August 15, 2020 at Campobello Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by Council Member Jason Shamis at 8:30 a.m. Members present were Council Members, Don Cohenour, Reitha Stevenson, Alican Sprouse and Jason Shamis.
- 7. Also in attendance were Fire Chief, Eddie McNeill and Police Chief, Chad McNeill.

## 8. New Business-

- A review of the budget was done and revisions/additions were given
- Another Work Session Council Meeting has been scheduled for Monday, September 7, 2020 and will begin after the regular council meeting.
- Fire Chief, Eddie McNeill, has a couple interested in buying property on the corner of Hwy 357 and Patterson Road, bearing tax map number 1-32-00-063.02. The price to purchase the land is \$23,000 and a cash closing will be performed at the law office of Henderson, Brandt & Vieth, P.A. A Motion to sell the property was made by Council Member Don Cohenour, which was seconded by Council Member, Alician Sprouse and carried unanimous.

#### 5. Adjourned- August 15, 2020 at 10:45 a.m.

With no further business presented, Council Member Don Cohenour made a motion to adjourn, second by Council Member Reitha Stevenson and carried unanimous.

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