

Town Council Meeting
March 2, 2020
Minutes

1. The meeting of the Campobello Town Council was held on March 2, 2020 in the Campobello Fire Department Training Room. The meeting was called to order by Philip Wilds at 7:00 pm. Members present were Council Members present were Don Cohenour, Reitha Stevenson, Jason Shamis and Alician Sprouse. Invocation was done by Alician Sprouse, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Introduction of the Council Members and Mayor took place immediately following the invocation. Also in attendance were Police Chief, Chad McNeill and Fire Chief, Eddie McNeill.

3. Council Member Don Cohenour made a motion to accept the February 3, 3030 minutes, second by Council Member Reitha Stevenson and carried unanimous.

4. Monthly Police Department update from Chief Chad McNeill.
Total 63 calls for the month of February, 2020.

5. Monthly Fire Department update from Fire Chief Eddie McNeill
Total 23 calls for the month of February, 2020.

6. New Business
 - Council member, Jason Shamis brought it to everyone's attention that the Town of Campobello has no active Planning and Zoning Boards. Also, that a Board of Appeals would need to be assembled.

 - Upon reviewing of the Town's festival ordinance, it is affirmed that the only requirements are that vendors must purchase a 2 day permit and that any street blockades must be approved.

- Council member, Alician Sprouse updated everyone as to the progress of the Family Fun Day scheduled for April 18th. She requested the approval of money for a large double-banner to hang across the road which would cost \$540.00, but could be reused if we did not include a date on the banner. Mayor Wilds made a motion for Alician to proceed with getting the banner, and seconded by Council Member Don Cohenour and carried unanimous. Alician also informed everyone that Space Walk has been reserved to bring a bouncy castle, along with a tenant, for a cost of \$350.00. Council member Reitha Stevenson asked about their liability insurance, which was provided to Town Hall upon payment of deposit.
- The Mayor brought up his disapproval of Campobello First Baptist's request for support with their fall festival. His reasoning for the disapproval is because it usually takes a festival 3-5 years to get off of the ground before making a profit, this festival could become large and costly and if the town did it for one church/organization then they would have to do it for all. Mayor Wilds made a motion to vote no on providing Campobello First Baptist with financial support of their festival, which was seconded by Jason Shamis and made carried unanimous.
- Council member Don Cohenour brought up the hiring of attorney Amy Snyder as the town's attorney. He was impressed with her background, familiarity with municipalities and overall presentation. Motion was made by Council member, Reitha Stevenson to hire her as the town's attorney, which was seconded by council member, Jason Shamis and carried unanimous.
- The motion to hire Elliott & Painter, LLP, as the town's CPA was brought by Don Cohenour. He also made a motion to forego getting the audits done from fiscal years 2016-2017 and 2017-2018, as the town has already been penalized for not having these done and it would cost the town more money than the fine amount that was paid. The Motion to hire and to begin auditing procedures using fiscal year 2018-2019 was seconded by Reitha Stevenson and carried unanimous.
- Chief Chad McNeill gave an update on the process of condemning the building on Smith Street. A certified letter had been sent to the owner of the property that he had 30 days to bring the building up to code.
- Council member Alician Sprouse read the "We Believe In You", scholarship letter, which upon approval, will be given to the guidance counselor at Landrum High, Chapman High and Swofford. Motion was made by Don Cohenour to accept the letter, which was seconded by Reitha Stevenson and carried unanimous.

7. Old Business

- none

8. Other Business

- Chief Chad McNeill explained the town's need for an Encroachment Permit, as Duke Energy requested one to be able to perform work through the town. Such form was prepared according to Spartanburg County's requirements and accepted by Mayor and Council unanimously.
- Council member Jason Shamis was asked by Mayor Wilds to give an update on the possibility of getting gas lines for the town. Jason did contact CPW and was told that the town would need at least 690 customers in the first 3 years and the cost would be \$850,000. Mayor Wilds suggested that Jason inquire as to any help we could get from the Government due to Landrum High's usage of gas. Sewer lines were also discussed and it was mentioned by Mayor Wilds that it should be easier to get that up and running even if the town had to have its own pump station.
- Mayor Wilds brought up the fact that the town's sidewalks are in terrible condition. He asked Council members, Don Cohenour and Reitha Stevenson to get several bids on how much it would cost to hire a company or someone to maintain the sidewalks.
- The conditions of the town's signs were discussed and how the lighting was poor and or non-existent. Motion was made by Mayor Wilds to get meters for the lights at the signs, which was seconded by Council member, Jason Shamis and carried unanimous.
- Mayor Wilds made mention of the town's first newsletter that just went out in the mail to all town residents. Each newsletter will feature a town employee and inform the public of events and happenings within the town.

9. Adjourned-March 2, 2020 at 8:10 p.m.

With no further business presented, Mayor Philip Wilds made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Council Member Reitha Stevenson and carried unanimous.

Let it be known, there are times it may be necessary for the Council Members to enter an executive meeting directly following adjournment of business meeting.

Town of Campobello Council Meeting minutes recorded by Town Clerk, Kim Hyder on this 2nd day of March, 2020.