



TOWN OF CAMPOBELLO

Council Meeting – Work Session Minutes

April 3, 2023

1. The Work Session of the Campobello Town Council was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Aaron Ash on April 3, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. located at 50 Broad St., Campobello, SC. Council Members present were Joe McDowell, Reitha Stevenson, and Alician Sprouse. Also in attendance was Police Chief Chad McNeill and Fire Chief Brandon McNeill. Mayor Jason Shamis was absent.
2. Council Member Stevenson said she had a fundraiser idea to help with funding for the “We Believe in You” and “We Support You” scholarships and will share it in the regular meeting.
3. The most recent park renovations were discussed. Since the last council meeting, the basketball court has been repaved and painted. Per Police Chief McNeill, basketball nets will be installed the next time the grass is mowed. Council is waiting on quotes to have the present fence painted.
4. Council Member Stevenson asked if we had enough workers/volunteers for Family Fun Day and do we need to make any adjustments so that it flows better. Police Chief McNeill and Council Member Sprouse agreed that no adjustments were needed.
5. Council Member Sprouse questioned fuel usage of a specific individual and wondered if it is for personal use. Mayor Pro Tem Ash suggested it be looked into.
6. Council Member Stevenson asked if everyone on council had completed their ethics obligation and most answered in the affirmative.
7. The Work Session ended at 6:59 p.m. Minutes were recorded by Town Clerk, Kim Hyder on this 3rd day of April, 2023.



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Council Meeting Minutes – Regular Meeting

April 3, 2023

1. The meeting of the Campobello Town Council was held on April 3, 2023 in the Campobello Fire Department training room located at 50 Broad Street. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Aaron Ash at 7:00 p.m. Council Members present were Reitha Stevenson, Alician Sprouse and Joe McDowell. Also in attendance was Fire Chief Brandon McNeill and Police Chief Chad McNeill. Mayor Jason Shamis was absent. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.
2. Introduction of the Mayor and Council was done.
3. Mayor Pro Tem Ash asked if council had reviewed the March 6, 2023 work session minutes, March 6, 2023 council meeting minutes and March 15, 2023 Special Meeting minutes prior to the meeting and asked for a Motion to accept them. Council Member McDowell made a motion to accept all March 2023 minutes as written, which was seconded by Council Member Stevenson and carried unanimously.
4. Mayor Pro Tem Ash made mention of Campobello's Family Fun Day coming up on May 6th and welcomed all to attend and he wished everyone a happy Easter holiday.
5. Police Chief Chad McNeill reported that the Campobello Police Department had a total of 82 calls for the month of March. One of the tickets was a drug related stop. The SROs had 19 home visits. Mayor Pro Tem Ash asked how things were with backing up Landrum PD. Chief McNeill said that it was slowing down and things were getting back to normal. Mayor Pro Tem Ash asked if council had any further questions for the Police Department. No further questions were asked.
6. Fire Chief McNeill went on to report that the Campobello Fire Department had a total of 13 calls for the month of March. Of those calls, 6 were in the fire service area, 4 outside of our jurisdiction and 3 within the city limits. Fire Chief McNeill informed everyone that they took a trip to Pennsylvania to inspect a truck that was for sale and ended up purchasing the fire truck and returning to Campobello with it Saturday night. They hope to have the truck cleaned up and in service for all to view. It is a nice truck and believes everyone will be happy with it and proud of it. Mayor Pro Tem Ash asked if the council had any further questions for the Fire Department. No further questions were asked.
7. **Old Business-**
 - Mayor Pro Tem Ash said that Mayor Shamis had no update to give in regards to the Mayor's Intern.
 - Police Chief McNeill gave the update on code enforcement. The owner of the brick building at the corner of Hwy 176 & Hwy 357 is having a hard time finding subcontractors to get work done. All other properties are good. Council Member Sprouse asked if there was a time window with the brick building. There was no answers, but it will have to be dealt with at some point.

- Mayor Pro Tem Ash made mentioned of the recent park renovations which included the repaving and painting of the basketball court. He asked Police Chief McNeill if there were any updates on the PARD grant and Chief McNeill answered in the negative. Mayor Pro Tem Ash suggested that if we have not received any quotes on the ballfield lighting by the next council meeting that council discuss moving forward with playground equipment.
- Mayor Pro Tem Ash had no new update on the litigation with Graphel/City of Landrum.
- Council Member Sprouse mentioned that the fuel usage was 'iffy'. She doesn't understand and wants to come together and get on the same page with fuel usage. Mayor Pro Tem suggested that prior to the next meeting, Council gather the questions they have and present them to the department heads.
- Council Member McDowell met with Mr. Owenby and another person knowledgeable about sewer and talked about getting a group formed to get the necessary research and legwork to keep down the cost of the engineer. Mayor Pro Tem Ash asked if we had heard any update on the sewer funding and Council Member McDowell had not, but will get with Mayor Shamis to find out where we are on the matter. Mr. Owenby commented that this may be an opportunity for the Town to save some money. We will probably hire more than one engineer. He suggested the Town make use of the work that he did which was over 100 hours, which included maps and information he submitted to the Town and Planning Committee. It also includes location of where pump stations should be and how much sewer line will be needed. This information should be provided to the engineer when hired.
- Mayor Pro Tem Ash said that Mayor Shamis is working on the garbage ordinance and will update at the next meeting. Council Member Sprouse asked if the following addresses were in the Town's limits: 100 Frank Clinton Rd; 175 Buena Vista; 142 John High; 408 Motlow Creek. Council Member Stevenson asked about 480 Motlow Creek Road, a Mr. John Smith. Council Member Sprouse thought that was the same person who owed the car lot, but is unsure. Clerk Hyder will review these addresses and report back with an update.

8. New Business-

- Mayor Pro Tem Ash proposed a Town Clean Up Day for April 29th. The time will be tentative as work schedules will have to be reviewed. All of Council were good with the date set.
- Police Chief McNeill gave the update that we are keeping the Town sign where it is on Hwy 11 and are working on getting a meter box installed at that location so that we can then contact Duke Energy to get power there for lighting.
- Council Member Sprouse inquired about the big sign advertising SouthFork Tree Care on Hwy 11 at Depot St. Clerk Hyder responded that she has sent a request into the SCDOT to look into the matter, as it is a scenic highway.
- Council Member Sprouse gave an update on Family Fun Day. We have 55 vendors so far. Council Member Stevenson made an announcement that the Town will sell shirts at the event and the money generated from the sale of the shirts will go to fund the scholarship program.
- A first reading of Ordinance 8.501.5 – Authorizing and Directing the Town of Campobello to Enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement Relating to South Carolina Local Revenue Services; To Participate in One or More Local Revenue Service Programs; To Execute and

- Deliver One or More Participant Program Supplements; and Other Matters Related Thereto - was done by Mayor Pro Tem Ash in title only. Council Member Stevenson made a motion to accept the first reading of Ordinance 8.501.5 – Authorizing and Directing the Town of Campobello to Enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement Relating to South Carolina Local Revenue Services; To Participate in One or More Local Revenue Service Programs; To Execute and Deliver One or More Participant Program Supplements; and Other Matters Related Thereto, which was seconded by Council Member McDowell and carried unanimous
- A first and only reading of Resolution to Adopt The Spartanburg County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, was done by Mayor Pro Tem Ash. Council Member Stevenson made a motion to accept the first and only reading of Resolution to Adopt The Spartanburg County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, which was seconded by Council Member McDowell and carried unanimous.
 - Town resident Leo Lopshire requested to speak before Council regarding the Rails to Trails project. He is not in favor of this project and would rather see the trains come back. Many people he has spoke with feel the same way. Mr. Lopshire feels the train would bring the communities together and would allow different vendors to set up booths and sale their items at each stop in the Towns from Inman to Hendersonville. Mr. Lopshire asked for any direction that council could give as far as connecting with the right people to bring his ideas to them. The train is a much cheaper option than the Rails To Trails. Mayor Pro Tem Ash thanked Mr. Lopshire for his research and work on this, to which Mr. Lopshire said he didn't put the work together, he is just presenting it. Mr. Owenby said that we need sewer so that we do not have port-a-potties along the trail.

9. Other Business-

- Rick Sweeney, newly appointed chairman for the Planning and Zoning Committee, reported that the Committee will be having their regular meeting on April 11th at 1:00p where they will review old business. The following Tuesday, April 18th at 1:00p, they will hold a work session with ACOG to finish up regulations and the checklist. Mayor Pro Tem Ash asked if we have received anything new on Vanderbilt Crossing. Mr. Sweeney answered in the negative.

10. Adjourned- April 3, 2023 at 7:30 p.m.

With no further business presented, Council Member Sprouse made a motion to adjourn, second by Council Member Stevenson and carried unanimously.

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

Town of Campobello Council Meeting minutes recorded by Town Clerk, Kim Hyder on this 3rd day of April, 2023.