



# TOWN OF CAMPOBELLO

## Council Clean-Up Day Minutes

### April 25, 2026

On April 25, 2026, the Town Council recently held a cleanup day at Gosnell Park, spending time working together to maintain and improve one of our community's valued spaces.

Please note that no minutes were recorded, as this was strictly a non-meeting gathering and conducted solely for cleanup purposes.



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## Saluda Grade Trail Meeting Minutes

### April 23, 2026

Town Council attended the April 23, 2026 Saluda Grade Trail update meeting.

No minutes were taken, as Council members were present for informational purposes only and did not conduct any official town business.



# TOWN OF CAMPOBELLO

## Council Meeting – Work Session Minutes

### April 13, 2026

The Work Session meeting of the Campobello Town Council was called to order by Mayor Aaron Ash on April 13, 2026, at 6:45 p.m. located at 50 Broad St., Campobello, SC. Council Members present were Reitha Stevenson, Lance Kaminer, Alician Sprouse and Joe McDowell. Also, in attendance was Police Chief, Chad McNeill, Lt. Chris Miller, Fire Chief Brandon McNeill and Town Admin Trey Eubanks.

## 1. NEW BUSINESS

### Maintenance Job Posting/Description

Council reviewed and discussed the job description for the maintenance position. Funding for this position has already been researched and allocated. Council is ready to move forward.

### Fee Schedule Review

Council discussed the need to review our current fee schedule and compare it with nearby municipalities. The goal is to ensure our fees remain fair, competitive, and aligned with surrounding towns while continuing to support quality services.

## 2. OLD BUSINESS:

### Community-Based Drug Education & Recovery Efforts

Discussion was had about upcoming outreach initiatives focused on prevention, education, and recovery support. Proposed plans include local “pop-up” events to provide resources, treatment options, and support for families impacted by substance abuse.

Council is committed to making sure that anyone in need knows they are not alone and has access to help.

Information from the National Suicide Prevention initiative was also shared, encouraging community members to help spread awareness and make resources visible in public spaces.

## 3. OTHER BUSINESS:

### Zoning Ordinance Discussion (C-3 District)

Council reviewed a proposed amendment to the C-3 Central Business District zoning ordinance to allow indoor sports-related facilities. Additional discussion included considerations around specific uses to ensure they align with our downtown environment. It was discussed that a firearm training facility could interfere with the Town’s noise ordinance. However, the Police Department assured that if an indoor firearm range was insulated correctly, that there would be minimal noise heard from the outside.

**4. ADJOURNED on April 13, 2026 at 6:59 p.m.**

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

Town of Campobello Council Minutes were recorded by Town Clerk, Kim Hyder, on this 13th day of April, 2026.



# TOWN OF CAMPOBELLO

## Council Meeting – Regular Meeting Minutes

### April 13, 2026

1. The Council meeting of the Campobello Town Council was called to order by Mayor Aaron Ash on April 13, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. located at 50 Broad St., Campobello, SC. Council Members present were Reitha Stevenson, Lance Kaminer, Alician Sprouse and Joe McDowell. Also, in attendance was Police Chief, Chad McNeill, Lt. Chris Miller, Fire Chief Brandon McNeill and Town Admin Trey Eubanks.
2. The Invocation was done by Pastor Dan Mason of Campobello Community Church. Afterwards, the Pledge of Allegiance said followed by the introduction of Council.
3. Mayor Ash asked if Council had reviewed the March 9, 2026 work session minutes and March 9, 2026 council meeting minutes. Motion was made by Council Member McDowell accept the March 9, 2026 work session minutes and March 9, 2026 council meeting minutes, as written, which was seconded by Council Member Stevenson and unanimously approved.
4. The Mayor reminded everyone of the free spaghetti dinner on April 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the Fire Department. Several individuals will speak on Campobello's history. This event is open to anyone whether a town resident or not.
5. TOWN ADMIN:

#### **Gateway Sign Project**

Trey provided an update on the proposed gateway sign. A revised proof was received with adjustments to improve visibility from multiple directions. The sign is proposed to be approximately 60" x 96".

An initial cost estimate was received in excess of \$21,000, which does not include site preparation, hardscaping, or electrical service. Council will continue discussions with the vendor to explore options for cost reduction and additional project elements.

#### **Sewer Project Update**

Quarterly reporting has been submitted to the South Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority (SCRIA) regarding the town's sewer project grant.

To date, expenditures have primarily included engineering and feasibility studies. Trey noted that while financial expenditures have been limited, significant time and effort have been invested over the past year and a half in planning, coordination, and development of the project.

#### **Road Improvement Program**

Trey reported that the Town will proceed with road improvements in coordination with Spartanburg County following delays associated with a USDA grant application.

The following roads have been identified for resurfacing:

- Rector Street
- Smith Street
- Fagan Street
- Cantrell Street

Funding sources include:

- Approximately \$92,050 previously allocated
- Anticipated matching funds from Spartanburg County (CTC)
- Over \$40,000 from the Town's road fee account

Total available funding is estimated at approximately \$224,000. County officials have indicated this amount should sufficiently cover the identified projects, including contingency. Bidding is expected this summer, with construction to follow.

### **Municipal Facilities Master Plan Grant**

The Town was awarded a \$25,000 grant through the Municipal Association to conduct a space needs assessment for municipal facilities.

The study will assist in long-term planning following the relocation from the former Town Hall to the current temporary facility on North Main Street.

The selected firm has distributed a survey to staff and Council. Input is encouraged to help guide future facility planning and support applications for additional funding.

Mayor Ash asked if the council had any further questions for the Town Administrator. No further questions were asked.

### **POLICE DEPT:**

Police Chief McNeill provided the monthly police report. The Police Department reported a total of 237 calls for service during the month of March.

Traffic Incidents: A total of 5 motor vehicle accidents were reported, 3 with no injuries and 2 with injuries.

School Resource Officer (SRO) Activity: Officers conducted approximately 82 home visits prior to spring break. These visits were aimed at checking on students, ensuring their needs were met, and providing support to families as needed.

Traffic Enforcement: Officers conducted 81 traffic stops, resulting in 24 citations issued.

Drug-Related Activity: A total of 10 drug-related cases were reported, primarily involving marijuana.

Additional Violations: Other enforcement actions included speeding and insurance-related violations.

Discussion was held regarding anticipated road paving in the area and the potential for increased speeding on newly paved roads. The Police Department acknowledged the concern and will continue monitoring traffic activity as paving projects progress.

Mayor Ash asked if the council had any further questions for the Police Department. No further questions were asked.

#### FIRE DEPT:

For the month of March, a total of 24 calls for fire service were recorded, including 7 within the Town of Campobello, 13 within the fire service district and 4 assisting neighboring agencies.

The department also reported completion of annual equipment testing, including hose, pump, and ladder testing. This work was conducted in coordination with neighboring departments through an auto-aid partnership, allowing for cost savings by completing testing collectively.

Temporary road closures, including Caldwell Street, occurred during testing operations. The public was advised that these closures were part of required annual testing procedures and not routine maintenance activities.

Additionally, the department noted ongoing dry weather conditions and reported that the area remains under a Red Flag warning in coordination with the Forestry Commission. Conditions are being monitored daily due to increased fire risk.

Mayor Ash asked if the council had any further questions for the Fire Department. No further questions were asked.

## 6. **OLD BUSINESS**

### Sewer Project Update

Mayor Ash and Council Member McDowell reported on a recent meeting with representatives from the Town of Chimney Rock regarding their use of a package wastewater treatment unit implemented following hurricane damage. Chimney Rock officials shared positive feedback on the system, noting that it has been effective and efficient in meeting their community's needs. They observed the unit in operation and noted that it is compact, operates quietly, and appears capable of handling service demands comparable to those of the Town.

As a result of the visit:

- Contact information for Chimney Rock's engineering team was obtained.
- Coordination between the Town's engineer and Chimney Rock's engineer is planned in the coming days.

Additional research will be conducted to identify other municipalities that have utilized similar systems over a longer period to evaluate long-term performance and reliability.

Council discussed that, if pursued, the placement of such a unit within the Town would be carefully considered to minimize visual impact and ensure compatibility with the surrounding

area. It was noted that the system has the potential to service a significant portion, if not all, of the Town, though additional information regarding capacity, maintenance, and long-term operations is still being gathered. Further discussion and updates are expected following upcoming meetings with engineers and additional data collection.

### **Code Enforcement Update**

Police Chief McNeill reported ongoing ordinance enforcement efforts, particularly along Horton Road and other areas identified as needing attention. Several properties have been identified as long-standing concerns, and staff is working collaboratively with property owners to develop reasonable timelines and solutions for cleanup and compliance.

An update was also provided on Mr. Mock's property at 105 N Main St., where progress continues to be made. A new roof has been installed, and masonry work is ongoing, with efforts focused on matching and restoring the brickwork. Staff noted satisfaction with the quality and progress of the improvements

### **Park & Ballfield Updates**

Police Chief McNeill provided an update on ongoing improvements at Gosnell Park.

Wall Project: Additional interest has been received from contractors, and bids are still being accepted. Completion of the wall project will fulfill requirements associated with the current grant. Additional improvements, including step repairs, will be postponed until after the upcoming Family Fun Day event to avoid disruptions. Plans include repairing and improving steps near the lower area of the park to enhance safety.

Restroom Facilities: Restrooms are operational and available during reserved events. Access is currently limited to permitted use due to prior issues with unauthorized use and vandalism.

Future Improvements: Work on the concrete for the trash receptacles will be completed in conjunction with the step and wall improvements, with professional services being utilized.

Security Enhancements: Two security cameras have been installed and are operational. Staff is exploring options to install internet service at the park to allow for remote camera monitoring, remote access to door locking systems and improved security response capabilities. Estimated cost for annual internet service is approximately \$450–\$500, with potential funding options to be explored. This item will be placed on a future agenda for Council consideration.

### **Equipment & Technology Updates**

Software for the Town's speed sign has been obtained; however, connectivity issues persist due to a missing cable. Staff is coordinating with the manufacturer to obtain the necessary equipment to complete programming and allow for updates to speed displays.

### **Grants and Project Updates**

Council inquired about a streetscape grant. Staff plans to submit an application once the grant cycle opens in the fall of the year.

An update was also provided regarding road maintenance work for upcoming paving preparation. The process began recently but experienced slight delays due to rain. Staff anticipates scheduling the work for the following week, weather permitting.

### **Community-Based Drug Education, Prevention, and Recovery Support**

Debbie O'Connor, representing YANA Family Recovery, addressed Council regarding the importance of family-based recovery support services. She shared her professional background in family recovery coaching and intervention, including experience working with Spartanburg County Drug Court.

Ms. O'Connor emphasized that substance use disorders impact the entire family unit and noted that recovery outcomes improve when families are educated and actively involved. She proposed the implementation of a monthly family recovery support group within the Town, focused on, education on substance use and underlying causes, improving communication within families, encouraging positive behavioral changes and supporting both individuals in recovery and their families.

She further suggested that participation in such programs could be incorporated into court or probation requirements, with documentation provided for attendance.

Mr. Jason Smith, Interim Executive Director of the Forrester Center in Spartanburg, also addressed Council regarding regional substance use trends and outreach efforts.

Mr. Smith reported:

- Approximately 7 overdoses in the Campobello area within the past year and a half
- Higher numbers in surrounding areas, including Inman, indicating a broader regional concern

He explained that overdose data includes substances such as alcohol and benzodiazepines, in addition to opioids. Mr. Smith outlined potential support services available through the Forrester Center, including:

- Peer support outreach programs
- Distribution of Narcan and educational materials
- Assistance with transportation to treatment facilities
- Community engagement with local businesses and residents

He noted that similar outreach efforts in nearby communities, such as Greer, have resulted in reduced overdose rates and improved access to care. Initial outreach services could be provided at no cost, with potential future funding opportunities available through regional programs such as opioid response funding.

Council discussed the potential benefits of these programs, particularly in addressing gaps in access to treatment for residents who may face transportation or resource barriers. They also discussed additional outreach ideas, including the use of visible community engagement efforts such as informational booths or “pop-up” stations in public areas. These would provide opportunities for residents to access information, ask questions, and receive guidance related to substance use and recovery resources. Council acknowledged the importance of making resources accessible to individuals and families who may be affected, even indirectly, by substance use issues.

A motion was made by Council Member Stevenson to authorize Council Member Sprouse and Mayor Ash to meet with the Police Chief and Lieutenant to develop a plan of action for a community-based drug education, prevention, and recovery initiatives, which was seconded by Council Member McDowell and carried unanimously.

### **Gateway Sign Project**

Staff will contact the sign company who put together the last sign rendering and ask for up updated quote.

### **Update on pothole locations and repairs**

Prince Construction will take on the first phase of pothole repairs in the coming week.

### **Maintenance Job Posting**

Motion was made by Council Member Sprouse to accept the maintenance job description and move forward with its posting, which was seconded by Council Member Kaminer and carried unanimously.

### **Family Fun Day & Fun Run**

Council Member Sprouse asked for Council to consider allowing her to advertise the Family Fun Day event in the SC Daily Planet in the April 29<sup>th</sup> edition for \$270.00. Mayor Ash asked if we could include the Fun Run as well. Advertising in the Asheville and Hendersonville Daily Planet.

Council Member Sprouse also asked for Council to approve a \$1,000 scholarship to be awarded to the only applicant for the “Giving Back” scholarship.

Motion was made by Council Member Stevenson to advertise the Family Fun Day and Fun Run event in the April 29<sup>th</sup> edition of the SC Daily Planet, Asheville Daily Planet and Hendersonville Daily Planet for \$270.00, to be taken out of the Hospitality account, which was seconded by Council Member McDowell and carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Council Member McDowell to give a \$1,000 scholarship to the applicant who applied for the “Giving Back” scholarship, which was seconded by Council Member Stevenson and carried unanimously.

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

### **Director of Planning Position**

Council revisited discussions from previous months regarding the need for a position to help: Support planning and zoning efforts, Assist with community events and improve communication and coordination within the town.

A qualified candidate has been identified, and Council expressed interest in extending a formal offer of employment. The candidate:

- Has received positive feedback from Council

- Has family ties and intends to reside in Campobello area, strengthening community involvement
- Would potentially begin employment in August, as they are currently out of the country

Budget considerations:

- Funding for this position will be covered by reallocating existing salary funds
- No additional budget adjustments or increases are required
- Funding plan also supports the maintenance position

A Motion was made by Council Member Kaminer to approve extending a formal job offer for the Director of Planning position, which was seconded by Council Member McDowell and carried unanimously.

### **Sidewalk & Rock Wall Discussion**

Council discussed conditions along sidewalks, specifically loose rock along Main Street. No current sidewalk grants are available; anticipated timeline for grant opportunities is late summer (August–September). In preparation for upcoming events (including Family Fun Day), staff will continue cleaning and improving Main Street areas and address loose rock along road edges. Staff will utilize town equipment to remove and relocate loose rock from roadside areas.

### **Town Cleanup Day**

Council confirmed Town Cleanup Day is scheduled for April 25<sup>th</sup>, where they will focus on areas around Main Street and Gosnell Park. Mayor Ash said that a future clean up day will be scheduled for the entire town and that this particular clean up day is for Council.

### **Emergency Text Notification System**

Council discussed the town’s text alert system, which has been active for approximately one month. It has worked well and is being frequently used as an additional means of communicating with the community.

## **8. OTHER BUSINESS**

### **Planning & Zoning Update**

#### **C3 Zoning Amendment (Downtown District)**

A public hearing was held regarding proposed updates to C3 (Central Business District) zoning.

Proposed additions to permitted uses include parks, playgrounds, community recreation facilities and sports facilities

The purpose of the amendment is to align with the Town’s Comprehensive Plan and support potential projects (including recreation opportunities and future Rails-to-Trails connectivity)

The Planning & Zoning Commission's recommendation to Town Council is to approve an ordinance with the changes to the C-3 Zoning Ordinance as previously mentioned.

If Town Council accepts the recommendation from Planning and Zoning, the first and second readings are expected within the next two months.

### Meeting Schedule Update

Planning & Zoning meetings have been rescheduled to the third Tuesday of each month beginning at 12:30 PM. Their goal is to accommodate contractors, developers, and business owners during working hours and hope that it allows residents to attend during lunch breaks. The time also enables same day follow-up at Town Hall after approvals.

Their next meeting is set for April 21, 2026 at 12:30 p.m. On the agenda are the following items:

Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) - Draft language finalized to allow Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) in: R1 (Residential); RA (Agricultural Residential) A public hearing is scheduled for the April meeting.

### Upcoming Public Hearings & Zoning Updates

Public hearings scheduled for: Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs); C1-2 Commercial Zoning Update, which would allow automobile dealerships, boat and recreational vehicle sales, vehicle and trailer rentals. Following discussion, recommendations will be forwarded to Town Council for consideration.

### Subdivision & Plat Review

A property owner (Mr. Owenby) is scheduled for plat approval review at the next meeting.

Additional subdivision inquiry will be discussed for a property on Pine Street Ext, such as proposal to divide land into four parcels. The issue is that the parcels would be landlocked and a private access road would be required. Ownership of the road (Jean St) is unclear and the applicant has been advised to contact a real estate attorney before proceeding. It is noted that town ordinances require proper access; plats will not be approved without compliant road access. Any approved private road would require specific language noting it is not town-maintained.

### Old Mill Property Discussion

A representative (Victor) from Old Mill property will attend an upcoming meeting. There is ongoing discussions regarding potential future inclusion into town limits. A site visit is being coordinated and tentatively planned for Monday (time TBD). An invitation was extended to Planning & Zoning members and Town Council.

### Fee Schedule Review

Planning & Zoning will review current fee structures to ensure they coordinate with Town Council by comparing them with surrounding municipalities to ensure alignment and consistency.

### Public Hearing Attendance

A recent public hearing had no public attendance.

### Meeting date and time change

Council discussed and reaffirmed reasoning for midday meeting times to balance public accessibility, business and contractor participation

### **Ordinance 2026.1 – Amendment of C-3 Zoning Ordinances**

Mayor Ash proceeded with the first reading of Ordinance 2026.1 – Amendment of C-3 Zoning Ordinances, which proposed additions to permitted uses include: Parks, Playgrounds, Community recreation facilities and Sports facilities. No questions or issues were raised. Motion was made by Council Member Kaminer to accept the first reading of Ordinance 2026.1 to amend the C-3 Zoning Ordinance, which was seconded by Council Member Stevenson and carried unanimously.

### **9. Adjourned- April 13, 2026 at 8:00 p.m.**

With no further business presented, Council Member Kaminer made a motion to adjourn, seconded 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 Minutes were recorded by Town Clerk, Kim Hyder, on this 13th day of April, 2026