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THE DEVELOPMENT OF CAMBELLSPORT AND ASHFORD ASHFORD BOARD OFFICIALS 1849-1986

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The birth of Campbellsport came in 1873 when it was named by Jacob Haessly in honor of Stuart Campbell, the public spirited founder, who had given 10 acres of land to the Airline Railway in which to build a Rail Road Station. H. B. Martin was the owner of the 160 acres where the railroad was going through, but wanted to sell it all for \$10,000, with a consideration of no interest involved. Then Mr. Campbell purchased the land from Mr. Martin and began to plot the New Village. The first lots he sold to J. M. Saemen and the second to James McCullough, who built the first store in Campbell plot. Mr. J.M. Saemen built the third store and warehouse.

STUART CAMPBELL – FOUNDER OF CAMBELLSPORT

Stuart Campbell – In 1850, he purchased a pre-emption claim of eighty acres in the Town of Ashford. Four Acres were cleared and had a log cabin built on it. He acquired 200 acres of cleared land until 1888.

His new home was built on a corner of Sheboygan street, which was called State Road at that time. The other road, going south, was Fond du Lac Ave, which was called Residence Street. When Kippenhan's Garage was built the home was moved to a different lot toward the west and is now occupied by Doris Johnson.

On September 30, 1848, he married Miss Julia M. Southerd. They had eleven children: Sarah J., Nancy M., Charles C., Belle A., James S., Robert J., William F., Lillie M., Eddie F., Libbie J., and Frank D.

In 1873, the railroad was built through the Town of Ashford. On the 16th of September, he purchased the land on which Campbellsport is built. At the same time, the land was plotted by him. The land acquired from Mr. Martin was 160 acres. He gave the railroad 3 acres for a station.

For twelve years he was a member of the Ashford Town Board.

His political status was Democrat.

ASHFORD

The first settlement was established by Henry Barnett in 1844. The first election was held in April 1849. Daniel D. Wilcox was elected Town Chairman and Seth G. Pickett was elected Town Clerk.

Office of Town Clerk: (Elected for two years)

Seth g. Pickett
Henry Crownhart
Peter Johnson
Eli B. Hill
Edward Boener
Joel M. Mc Shcooler – Treasurer for many years for Auburn & Ashford township.
Population of 1853 was approximately 1000.

The plank roads were mostly made from Oak wood. The roads were 8' Wide and the plank 3" thick. The under braces were 8" by 4" plank layed on the bottom and then spiked down by long and thick nails. This absorbed a lot of the hard wood of the township when they were built.

The wood was not creosoted like the ties are today so the roads were subject to rotting out after fifteen years. By this time the regular steal nail roads were being built with the cross ties.

THE TOWN OF ASHFORD

1870 CENSUS 1,799

The town of Ashford was, at first, a part of the Town of Auburn. It was set off from that town and separately organized in 1849. The first settlement was made, in the summer of 1844, by Henry Barnett, Josiah Perry, Charles Cronhart and several others, who settled in the easterly part of the town. On their arrival, they found no human habitation, within many miles, excepting the little beginning commenced by Mr. Crouch, the year before, in 1843. They soon threw up log shanties to protect their families from exposure to the storm, and commenced clearing land for crops the ensuing year. They had many hardships and privations to meet and overcome.

Many kinds of timber were present, with the principal kinds being basswood, elm, maple, ash, hickory, oak and butternut.

The soil is clay and loam, with a fine sand, producing good wheat, oats, peas and also excellent pasturage.

The first death that occurred in Ashford, was that of Mrs. Electra Prior, in September, 1844. Her daughter, Mrs. Watson, died so soon after, that they were both interred in the same grave.

The first birth was in the family of Mr. J. E. Helmer. The first marriage was Mr. Eleazar Sisco to Miss Fanny Prior.

The first school was taught by Miss Calista Colvin, in the house of Mr. J. Perry, in the summer of 1847.

The first religious meeting was held a the house of Mr. Henry Barnett, conducted by the Rev. Mr. Sears.

At the first election of Town Officers, in April 1849, Daniel D. Wilcox was elected chairman of the supervisors, and Seth G. Pickett was elected town clerk.

1844 – The town of Ashford was called Chile for a short time, the name Ashford was given because of the great amount of ash timber which was burned and the ash was used for fertilizing the land.

The name Ashford was given by Dr. S. G. Pickett, and by act of legislature it was approved by them on January 26, 1854. Joel Mc Shooler was treasurer of town Auburn and Ashford in its early years.

TOWN OF ASHFORD BOARD OFFICIALS

	1849
Sup. Stuart Campbell Chairman Daniel D. Welcox	Dr. Seth G. Picket – Clerk Sup. Orsielle A. Simons
	1850
Chairman Stuart Campbell Sup. Samuel D. Wilcox	Omar Baenar – Clerk Sup Orsielle
	1851
Chairman Stuart Campbell Sup. S.G. Pickitt	Omar Baenar -Clerk Sup. John P. Hifs
	1852
Chairman Stuart Campbell Sup Henry P. Crownhart	Omar Baenar -Clerk Sup. Henry Barnet
	1853
Chairman Stuart Campbell Sup. Peter Johnson	Omar Baenar -Clerk Sup. William Scheit
	1854
Chairman Peter Johnson Sup. Sturat Campbell	B. Hull – Clerk Sup. William Scheit
	1855
Chairman Peter Johnson Sup. Stuart Campbell	E. B. Hull – Clerk Sup. John P. Hifs
	1856
Chairman Jacob Hasely Sup. Andrew Dieringer	John Manel – Clerk Sup. Farrel Curran
	1857
Chairman Peter Johnson Sup. John P. Hifs	John Manel - Clerk Sup. Andrew Dieringer
	1858
Chairman Andrew Hendricks Sup. John P. Hifs	Jacob Hasely – Clerk Sup. Johnaton Hassely
	1859
Chairman Andrew Dieringer	John Muel – Clerk

Sup. Joseph Wagner	Sup. Joseph Odekirk
Chairman Andrew Dieringer	1860
Sup. Joseph Wagner	John Muel – Clerk
Chairman Joseph Wagner	Sup. Joseph Odekirk
Sup. Pearson Brower	1861
Chairman Joseph Wagner	John Muel – Clerk
Sup. Carl Loehrke	Sup. John Senn Jr.
Chairman Joseph Wagner	1862
Sup. Carl Loehrke	John Muel – Clerk
Chairman Joseph Wagner	Sup. C. Tramburg
Sup. William Stephan	1863
Chairman Andrew Dieringer	John Muel – Clerk
Sup. Peter Johnson	Sup. C. Tramburg
Chairman Andrew Dieringer	1864
Sup. Peter Johnson	John Berg - Clerk
Chairman Andrew Dieringer	Sup. Peter Johnson
Sup. Peter Johnson	1865
Chairman Andrew Dieringer	Joseph Muel – Clerk
Sup. Peter Johnson	Sup. Michal Hall
Chairman Andrew Dieringer	1866
Sup. Peter Johnson	Peter Muel – Clerk
Chairman Andrew Dieringer	Sup. Jacob Dagenhart
Sup. Peter Johnson	1867
Chairman Peter Johnson	Peter Muel – Clerk
Sup. Jacob Deganhart	Sup. Jacob Dagenhart
Chairman George Anderson	1868
Sup. John Henzil	John Berg – Clerk
Chairman Peter Johnson	Sup. Christian Lindemann
Sup. Michael Thelen	1869
Chairman Peter Johnson	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
Sup. John M. Flasch	Sup. John M. Flasch
Chairman Michael Serwe	1871
Sup. Peter Bach	Peter Muel – Clerk
Chairman John A. Hendricks	Sup. John M. Flasch
Sup. Thomas Kard	1872
Chairman Michael Thelen	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
Sup. Stuart Campbell	Sup. Michael Serwe
	1873
	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
	Sup. Frank Soeller
	1874
	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
	Sup. Peter Bach
	1875
	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
	Sup. Peter Bach

	1876
Chairman Michael Thelen	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
Sup. Stuart Campbell	Sup. Peter Bach
	1877
Chairman Michael Thelen	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
Sup Stuart Campbell – Campbells Original Plat	
Sup William Strobel – Jacob Shirks Addition	
Jacob Senfts Addition	
	1878
Chairman Michael Thelen	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
Sup. Stuart Campbell	Sup. Kilian Strobel
	1879
Chairman Michael Thelen	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
Sup. Killian Strobel	Sup. George Haefsly
	1880
Chairman Michael Thelen	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
Sup. Killian Strobel	Sup. George Haefsly
	1881
Chairman Michael Thelen	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
Sup. George Haefsly	Sup. Kilian Strobel
	1882
Chairman Michael Thelen	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
Sup. George Haefsly	Sup. Kilian Strobel
	1883
Chairman Michael Thelen	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
Sup. George Haefsly	Sup. Kilian Strobel
	1884
Chairman Michael Thelen	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
Sup. George Haefsly	Sup. Kilian Strobel
	1885
Chairman Michael Thelen	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
Sup. Kilian Strobel	Sup. Sylvester Cisco
	1886
Chairman Michael Thelen	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
Sup. Kilian Strobel	Sup. Sylvester Cisco
	1887
Chairman Michael Thelen	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
Sup. Kilian Strobel	Sup. John Wenzil
	1888
Chairman Michael Thelen	Peter J. Mauel – Clerk
Sup. Kilian Strobel	
Assessor Peter Bach	
Justice of Peace Peter Berg	
Sup. Sylvester Cisco	
Treasurer John P Schill	
Constable Wenzil Knarr	

Postmasters- Michael Degenhard – Campbellsport
 John Flasch – St. Kilian
 William Lesses - Ashford

	1894	1895	1896
Chairman	Ignatius Klotz	Peter Berg	Peter Berg
Clerk	John H. Paas	William Wedde	William Wedde
Supervisors	Jonathan Haessly A.C. Senn	A.C. Senn and Stuart Campbell	A.C. Senn and Stuart Campbell
Constable	E.L. Peck	E.L. Peck	E.L. Peck
Assessor	Armond Grab	Armond Grab	William Strubel
Treasurer	Christian Schmalz	Christian Schmalz	Christian Schmalz
Health Officer	Dr. E.J. Orvis	Dr. P.A. Hoffmann	Dr. E.J. Orvis
Justice of the Peace	Not listed	Not listed	C.C. Hanson
Postmasters		Michael Degenhard – Campbellsport, Frank Kleinhans – Elmore Ullrich Kuntz – St. Kilian William Leisses - Ashford	Michael Degenhard – Campbellsport William Klumb – Elmore Ullrich Kuntz – St. Killian William Leisses - Ashford

	1897	1898	1899
Chairman	Peter Berg	Peter Berg	James E. Ward
Clerk	J.C. Senn	John C. Senn	John C. Senn
Supervisors	William J. Dreikosen and James Ward	James Ward and Jacob Straub	Jacob Straub and John Flasch
Constable	E.L. Peck	William Hall, Jr.	William Hall, Jr.
Assessor	Kilian Straube	Kilian Strobel	Nicholas Stoffel
Treasurer	William Klumb	William Klumb	William Klumb
Health Officer	Dr. P.A. Hoffmann	Dr. P.A. Hoffmann	Dr. P.A. Hoffmann
Justice of the Peace		Jacob Arimond	Andrew Strachota
Postmasters		Michael Degenhard – Campbellsport William Klumb – Elmore Andrew Strachota – St. Kilian William Leisses - Ashford	Michael Degenhard – Campbellsport Franz Kleinhans – Elmore Andrew Strachota – St. Kilian

			William Leisses - Ashford
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	1900	1901	1902
Chairman	James E. Ward	James E. Ward	William Strobel
Clerk	John C. Senn	John C. Senn	John Senn
Supervisors	John Flasch and Fred Jankow [<i>sic</i>]	Fred Jankow and John Flasch	Nick Stoffel and Peter Schaefer
Constable	John Mael	John Mael	NG
Assessor	Nicholas Stoffel	Christian Schmalz	Christe Smaltery
Treasurer	Andrew Strachota	Andrew Strachota	Andrew Strachota
Health Officer	Dr. P.A. Hoffmann	Dr. P.A. Hoffmann	NG
Justice of the Peace	Christian Schmalz	William Hall	NG
Postmasters	Michael Degenhard – Campbellsport Frank Kleinhans – Elmore Frank Strobel – St. Kilian Wenzel Janish - Ashford	Michael Degenhard – Campbellsport Frank Kleinhans – Elmore Frank Strobel – St. Kilian Martin Thelen - Ashford	NG

	1903	1904	1905
Chairman	Kilian Strobel	Kilian Strobel	James Ward
Supervisors	William Campbell and Peter Schaefer	Michael Litscher and William Campbell	Michael Litscher and Joseph Strobel
Clerk	John Senn	John Senn	John Senn
Treasurer	John Flasch	John Flasch	John Flasch
Assessor	A.C. Senn	A.C. Senn	Nick Stoffel

	1906	1907	1908
Chairman	James Ward	William Berg	William Berg
Supervisors	Joseph Strobel and Nick Hunt	Joseph Strobel and Nick Strobel	Joseph Strobel and Nick Hunt
Clerk	John Senn	John Senn	John Senn
Treasurer	Andrew Strochota	Andrew Strochota	Peter Brown
Assessor	Nick Stoffel	Nick Stoffel	Nick Stoffel

	1909	1910	1911
Chairman	William Berg	Thomas Johnson	Thomas Johnson
Supervisors	Peter Hurth and Tom	Henry Strobel and Peter	Peter Hurth and

	Johnson	Hurth	Anton Zielieke
Clerk	John Senn	John Senn	John Senn
Treasurer	Peter Brown	John Kleinhans	John Kleinhans
Assessor	Kilian Strobel	Kilian Strobel	Kilian Strobel

	1912	1913	1914
Chairman	Thomas Johnson	Thomas Johnson	William Berg
Supervisors	Anton Zielieke and Peter Hurth	Anton Zielieke and Ernest Reinhart	Joseph Serwe & Mathias Schmitt
Clerk	John Senn	John Senn	John Senn
Treasurer	John Kleinhans	Simon Strachota	Simon Strachota
Assessor	Kilian Strobel	Nick Stoffel	Nick Stoffel

	1915	1916	1917
Chairman	William Berg	Barthol Serwe	Peter Thill
Supervisors	Joseph Serwe & Mathias Schmitt	A.F. Schmidt & John Schrauth	Anton Weismer & Joseph Serwe
Clerk	John Senn	John Senn	John Senn
Treasurer	Simon Strachota	Mathias Schill	Mathias Schill
Assessor	Nick Stoffel	Nick Stoffel	Nick Stoffel

	1918	1919	1920
Chairman	Joseph Serwe	Joseph Serwe	Henry Powen
Supervisors	Peter Thill & Albert Handgartner	Peter Thill & Ernest Rusch	Ernest Rusch & Peter Thill
Clerk	John Senn	John Senn	John Senn
Treasurer	Mathias Schill	Mathias Schill	Math Schill
Assessor	Nick Stoffel	Nick Stoffel	Nick Stoffel

	1921	1922	1923
Chairman	Henry Powen	Bertram Thelen	Bertram Thelen
Supervisors	Andrew Flasch & William Jaeger	John Boegel & William Jaeger	John Boegel & William Jaeger
Clerk	John Senn	John Senn	John Senn
Treasurer	Mathias Schill	Mathias Schill	Mathias Schill
Assessor	Frank Brath	Frank Brath	Frank Brath

	1924	1925	1926
Chairman	Bertram Thelen	Bertram Thelen	Bertram Thelen
Supervisors	John Boegel & William Mathieu	John Boegel & William Mathieu	John Boegel & William Mathieu
Clerk	John Senn	John Mauel	John Mauel
Treasurer	Fred Hammen	Fred Hammen	Fred Hammen
Assessor	Frank Brath	Anton Bertram	Anton Bertram

	1927	1928	1929
Chairman	Barthol Jaeger	Barthol Jaeger	Barthol Jaeger
Supervisors	Jacob Felix & Michael Weis	Andrew Beisbier & Michael Weis	Andrew Beisbier & Michael Weis
Clerk	John Mauel	John Mauel	John Mauel
Treasurer	Frank Brath	Frank Brath	Frank Brath
Assessor	Lorenz Strobel	Lorenz Strobel	Lorenz Strobel

	1930	1931	1932
Chairman	Andrew Beisbier	George Jankow	George Jankow
Supervisors	George Jankow & William Mathieu	Otto Schmidt & William Mathieu	Otto Schmidt & William Mathieu
Clerk	John Mauel	John Mauel	Roy E. Loomis
Treasurer	Frank Brath	John Kleinhans	John Kleinhans
Assessor	Lorenz Strobel	Adam Jaeger	Adam Jaeger

	1933	1934	1935
Chairman	Henry Johnson	Henry Johnson	Henry Johnson
Supervisors	<i>Not listed</i>	<i>Not listed</i>	<i>Not listed</i>
Clerk	Roy E. Loomis	Roy E. Loomis	Roy E. Loomis
Treasurer	John Kleinhans	John Kleinhans	John Kleinhans
Assessor	Adam Jaeger	Joseph Schmitt	Joseph Schmitt

1936	
Chairman	Henry Johnson
Supervisors	<i>Not listed</i>
Clerk	Roy E. Loomis
Treasurer	John Kleinhans
Assessor	Joseph Schmitt

Note: 1937, 1939, 1941, 1943, 1945, 1947, 1949, 1951, 1953, 1955, 1957, 1959, 1961, 1963, 1965, 1967, 1969, 1971, and 1973 are not listed.

	1938	1940	1942
Chairman	Henry Johnson	Henry Johnson	Henry Johnson
Supervisors	Joseph Serwe and William Mathieu	Carl Hayes and Herman Wondra	Carl Hayes and Herman Wondra
Clerk	Roy Loomis	Roy Loomis	Roy Loomis

	1944	1946	1948
Chairman	Henry Johnson	Henry Johnson	Henry Johnson
Supervisors	Carl Hayes and Herman Wondra	Carl Hayes and Herman Wondra	Carl Hayes and Herman Wondra
Clerk	William Grossen	William Grossen	William Grossen

	1950	1952	1954
Chairman	Henry Johnson	Henry Johnson	Paul Thill
Supervisors	Raymond Strobel and Paul Thill	Raymond Strobel and Otto Joas	Lester Strobel and Otto Joas
Clerk	Marvin Scheid	Marvin Scheid	Marvin Scheid

	1956	1958	1960
Chairman	Paul Thill	Mathias Thelen	Mathias Thelen
Supervisors	Lester Strobel and Otto Joas	Lester Strobel and Alois Beck	Lester Strobel and Alois Beck
Clerk	Marvin Scheid	Thelma Scheid	Thelma Scheid

	1962	1964	1966
Chairman	Mathias Thelen	Mathias Thelen	Mathias Thelen
Supervisors	Lester Strobel and Alois Beck	Lester Strobel and Norbert Ludeke	Mathias Thelen, Jr., and Norbert Ludeke
Clerk	Fred Grossen	Fred Grossen	Fred Grossen

	1968	1970	1972
Chairman	Mathias Thelen	Lester Strobel	Norbert Ludeke
Supervisors	Mathias Thelen, Jr., and Norbert Ludeke	Mathias Thelen, Jr., and Norbert Ludeke	Mathias Thelen, Jr., and Neal Straub
Clerk	Fred Grossen	Fred Grossen	Fred Grossen

	1974
Chairman	Norbert Ludeke
Supervisors	Mathias Thelen, Jr., and Neal Straub
Clerk	Fred Grossen
Treasurer	Donald Grossen
Assessor	Marvin Hayes

	1975	1976	1977
Chairman	Norbert Ludeke	Norbert Ludeke	Norbert Ludeke

Supervisors	Neal Straub and Joseph Koch	Neal Straub and Joseph Hayes	Neal Straub and Joseph Koch
Clerk	Frederick Grossen	Frederick Grossen	Frederick Grossen
Treasurer	Donald Grossen	Donald Grossen	Donald Grossen
Assessor	Marvin Hayes	Marvin Hayes	Marvin Hayes

	1978	1979	1980
Chairman	Norbert Ludeke	Joseph Koch	Joseph Koch
Supervisors	Neal Straub and Joseph Koch	Gene Rohlinger and Barney Hall	Gene Rohlinger and Barney Hall
Clerk	Frederick Grossen	Frederick Grossen	Frederick Grossen
Treasurer	Donald Grossen	Donald Grossen	Donald Grossen
Assessor	Marvin Hayes	Marvin Hayes	Marvin Hayes

	1981	1982	1983
Chairman	Joseph Koch	Joseph Koch	Joseph Koch
Supervisors	Gene Rohlinger and Barney Hall	Gene Rohlinger and Barney Hall	Gene Rohlinger and Barney Hall
Clerk	Frederick Grossen	Frederick Grossen	Harriet Murphy
Treasurer	Donald Grossen	Donald Grossen	Donald Grossen
Assessor	Marvin Hayes	Marvin Hayes	Marvin Hayes

	1984	1985	1986
Chairman	Joseph Koch	Joseph Koch	Joseph Koch
Supervisors	Gene Rohlinger and Barney Hall	Gene Rohlinger and Barney Hall	Gene Rohlinger and Barney Hall
Clerk	Harriet Murphy	Harriet Murphy	Harriet Murphy
Treasurer	Donald Grossen	Donald Grossen	Donald Grossen
Assessor	Marvin Hayes	Frank Rebedew	Frank Rebedew