



## Quil Ceda Village

Regular Council Meeting

March 20, 2023

Minutes

Call Meeting to Order 1:07PM

President Debra Posey – Present

Council member Pat Contraro – *Late Arrival*

Council member Hazen Shopbell - Present

President Posey announces there is a quorum to conduct business and asks if there is a motion to adopt the agenda.

**1) Motion made by Councilmember Shopbell to approve the agenda for the regular Village Council meeting of March 20, 2023.**

Seconded

Ayes 2 Nays 0

Motion Carried

**2) Motion made by Councilmember Shopbell to approve the regular Village Council meeting minutes for the meeting held on February 21, 2023 as presented and corrected.**

Seconded

Ayes 2 Nays 0

Motion Carried

### **Public Safety & Justice**

Discussion: Darryl Neuhoff, Marysville Fire District, President Posey, Councilmember Shopbell

### **3) Marysville Fire District Monthly Report**

During the month of February, Marysville Fire District responded to 41 calls for service and 16 resulted in

transport. We often run into staffing delays when a call requires transport because hospitals are short-staffed, and our team has to stay with the patients until an employee is able to takeover care. We entered an agreement with a local ambulance company to assist with those transports, so our team is not tied up at hospitals. The wait times can be several hours, before staff is able to return to the field. Marysville Fire received grant funding to hire an additional eight firefighters. Interim Chief Neuhoff announced this meeting would be his last for Quil Ceda Village and expressed his gratitude for the years of service working with the Tulalip Community. The new Fire Chief, Ned Vander Pol, was unable to attend today's meeting due to travel. The Council thanked him for his service and wished him a long and happy retirement.

#### **4) Tulalip Police Department Monthly Report – Accepted**

*1:12PM Councilmember Contraro arrives changing the vote count*

#### **Finance**

Discussion: Mark Sabo, Chief Financial Officer, Teresa Meece, Marketing & Events Manager, President Posey, Councilmember Shopbell, Martin Napeahi, General Manager

#### **5) Monthly Finance Report**

Mark Sabo states that there are no fuel tax income to report for 2023, the cigarette tax income is the second item on the report and is pacing below budget-under what we paced last year. The Cannabis tax is the sales due to Quil Ceda Village of 9.4% and 37% goes to Tulalip Tribes. The Hotel & Restaurant tax is at 12% for the year, and our expenses are below budget. The Public Safety expenses are paid twice a year, at the six and twelve month mark, so we will be lower expenses in that area. Up next is the projects update and that will tie into the upcoming resolutions. Teresa (Meece) did a great job on the Christmas Lights Project, with a seven-hundred thousand dollar savings on that project. Does the Council wish to pull the remaining funding or roll it over into the 2023 holiday season? The Council asks if the procurement process was followed for this contract and if it included labor and materials or only labor. Yes. The contract was for the labor of installation and removal of the lights. The project was success and staff has requests to include the Quil Ceda Creek Casino in the lighting decorations. The lighting increased traffic throughout area with both vehicles and pedestrians. In closing, the Tulalip Data Services New Roof project will carry over into 2023 and there is roughly eight-hundred thousand for a new Quil Ceda Village Administration Building project.

#### **6) Motion made by Councilmember Shopbell to adopt Resolution 2023-06 approving the closure of the 116<sup>th</sup> Car Wash project and authorizes the transfer of the unspent funding in the amount of \$4,430,050.46 to the Tulalip Tribes Business Economic Development Reserve Fund bank account.**

Seconded

Questions: What was the original amount of funding given and what was the money spent on. Staff replies the original amount funded was \$5.5 million dollars and nearly \$1.1 million used to purchase equipment. We already took possession of the car wash equipment, the manufacturer will not accept a return, and we are currently spending \$2 thousand dollars a month to store it. The Council directs staff to contact a third party auction house to sell the equipment.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion Carried

**7) Motion made by Councilmember Shopbell to adopt Resolution 2023-07 approving the closure of the Quil Ceda Village Car Wash Design Project and authorizes the transfer of the unspent funds in the amount of \$38,108 to the new Quil Ceda Village Administration Building project.**

Seconded

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion Carried

**8) Motion made by Councilmember Shopbell to adopt Resolution 2023-08 approving the budget transfer in the amount of \$9,425.19 from the Quil Ceda Village Finance budget to the Tulalip Tribes Federal Corporation budget as presented.**

Seconded

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion Carried

### **Property Management**

**9) Motion made by Councilmember Shopbell to adopt Resolution 2023-09 approving the recommendation of the CarMax Memorandum of Lease between Tulalip Tribes of Washington and CarMax Auto Superstores, Inc., a Virginia Corporation as attached hereto.**

Seconded

Question: Councilmember Contraro states, I thought we were not moving forward with this. GM Napeahi replies that we have signed a lease. Legal states that this document will be used to recorded with Snohomish County. Councilmember Shopbell asks staff if we talked about the best use of the land prior to approving the lease. Staff replies, yes. The best use framework was used during the lease approval process.

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion Carried

### **10) Hidden Gems Swap Meet**

President Posey asks what Hidden Gems Swap Meet is. Travis Chatfield explains that it is formerly Boom City Swap meet and they were operating at the Old Quil Ceda Creek Casino site. Due to lack of water supply, they are moving operations back to the Boom City site during April and September. With the exception of two events, Boom City and Cystic Fibrosis charity event. President Posey asks if this is just an FYI. Staff replies, yes.

1:36PM CLOSED SESSION

1:55PM SESSION RESUMED

**11) Motion made by Councilmember Contraro to adjourn the regular Quil Ceda Village Council meeting at 1:55pm.**

Seconded

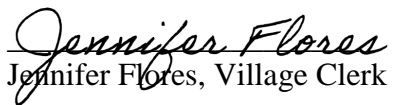
Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Staff & Visitors:

Jennifer Flores, Village Clerk  
Martin Napeahi, General Manager  
Mark Sabo, Chief Financial Officer  
Misty Napeahi, Tulalip Tribes Board of Director  
Chad Wright, CEO/TTFC  
Valerie Marshall, OBFM  
Tom Maloney, Marysville Fire District  
Jeff Cole, Marysville Fire District  
Darryl Neuhoff, Marysville Fire District  
Lee Shannon, ORA  
Travis Chatfield, Property Management  
Delia Williams, Property Management  
Jereme Gobin, Utilities Manager  
Teresa Meece, Marketing & Events Manager

**Minutes approved during the regular Quil Ceda Village Council meeting held on April 17, 2023.**

  
Jennifer Flores, Village Clerk