



Quil Ceda Village

Regular Council Meeting
Wednesday, February 18, 2026
Minutes

Call meeting to order at 10:10AM

Roll Call

President, Deborah Parker – Present

Council member, Ryan Miller – Present

Council member, Hazen Shopbell – 10:25AM Late Arrival

1) Motion made by Council member Council member Miller to adopt the agenda for the regular Quil Ceda Village Council Meeting for February 18, 2026, as presented.

Seconded

No Questions

Ayes 2 Nays 0

Motion carried

2) Motion made by Council member Miller to approve meeting minutes for the regular Quil Ceda Village Council Meeting held on January 21, 2026, as presented and corrected.

Seconded

Questions

Ayes 2 Nays 0

Motion carried

Visitor:

3) Design Guideline Variance – SPO Sign Proposal

SPO proposed building a new 90–100-foot digital sign for SPO and the Tulalip Tribes, featuring a central digital board for multiple brands and a modern design with stone and digital elements. The sign would comply with Department of Transportation regulations and may be relocated slightly to ease construction, without impacting parking. SPO reported that similar signs at other malls have improved visibility and revenue.

The Board discussed ongoing efforts to standardize signage regulations within the Village. No decision was made.

4) Tulalip Bay Fire Department Report presented by Chief Shaughnessy

The council reviewed an emergency services report covering rescue and car-accident responses. Marysville made up 67% of 169 total calls, with the rest divided among TGO and QCV. Chief Shaughnessy reported 137 EMS, 15 Fire, 12 Rescue, 4 Alarm, and 1 Other call. Most calls occurred between 11:00 AM and 7:00 AM. No new discussions with Marysville have taken place, but Tulalip Bay Fire is interested in a meeting, to be scheduled by the Council Office.

5) Tulalip Police Department Report presented by Chief Ledford

Public Safety Report Summary: Of recent incidents, 47% occurred on the reservation, 29% in QCV, and 24% in QCC. TGO reported 510 calls (150 in QCV). There were 10 non-tribal domestic violence cases, 55 thefts (mainly in QCV), and 28 drug cases, with most drug activity in QCV. Cleanup in Marysville has reduced QCC drug issues. There were 38 trespass calls, 232 traffic stops, and six stolen vehicles (four recovered). Overdose deaths and drug users have declined, but continued vigilance is needed. Analyst hiring is underway to improve reporting.

6) 2026 Tribal Court Service Agreement

Motion made by Council member Miller to adopt Resolution 2026 - 05, approving the 1-year Tribal Court Service Agreement with the Consolidated Borough of Quil Ceda Village for the 2026 calendar year in the amount of \$605,000.00 with funding to come from the 2026 Public Safety Budget.

Seconded

No Questions

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion carried

7) Tribal Court (Power Point Presentation).

Criminal and civil infractions make up 78.2% of Tulalip Tribal Court filings, with QCV cases projected to stay near this level. QCV contributed \$605,000 for the 2025 budget, while the estimated value of 2025 QCV cases is \$581,511 (1,564 total cases: 220 criminal, 1,003 civil infractions, 341 other). Most court activity involves family law (not included here). Criminal QCV cases in 2025 included 5 domestic violence, 17 drug, and 9 other types. The court still uses paper tickets, but TPD is moving toward digital ticketing. Maintaining current operations and budget for 2026 is recommended.

Councilmember Miller left room at 10:59AM changing the vote count 2-0

8) Monthly Financial Report (Handout)

January 2026 Financial Report: Cigarette sales were reduced to match demand. Fuel sales hit a record high. Cannabis and Water/Sewer are on budget. Lights & Ice adjustments are pending for later months. Some departments are over budget, likely due to timing. Public Safety awaits invoices and contracts. Maintenance variance is also likely timing-related; follow-up pending. The annual \$182K SPO parking garage credit issued in February may explain some variance. Pressure washing near fuel pumps requires a formal agreement, as the city budget covers only standard maintenance. TTFC will develop maintenance guidelines.

Councilmember Miller returns at 11:02AM changing the vote count 3-0

9) Food Inspector

Discussion: President Parker, Village Clerk Flores

The Food Safety Committee will hold its next meeting in March. Thirty vendors were inspected during the Lights and Ice Event. There are no significant updates to report currently. A few vendors did not have food handler cards on site; all were contacted and brought into compliance.

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10) Contract with Synthetic Turf Northwest - Discussion

Discussion: President Deborah Parker, Jereme Gobin, Teresa Meece, Lacey Wright, Councilmember Hazen Shopbell.

A \$75,000 estimate was given for resodding, but installing the seasonal ice rink would likely damage natural grass, making synthetic turf a preferred, cost-effective long-term solution. Council discussed environmental concerns, including non-biodegradable materials and runoff from pets, with suggestions such as a pet-layer system and positive feedback from wetland staff about sand and gravel permeability. Reviews of comparable parks, including a recent installation at Sun Quest, are underway. Maintenance staff highlighted the difficulty of maintaining natural grass and recommended further research. Kevin and Jereme will assess similar venues and turf options, with a report due next week. If synthetic turf is not used, relocating the ice rink is recommended. QCV continues maintenance services and may formalize this work. Recent projects include increased budgets for road and lighting repairs and infrastructure upgrades. Potential new projects include site improvements, event operations planning, and a pending cost analysis for the Lights and Ice event, with additional upgrade options expected before June.

11) 2026 Firewall Refresh [5-Year Term]

~~Motion to adopt Resolution 2026 —, approving the firewall refresh project as presented for a five-year term with three (3) annual payments of \$132,406.05 [2026], \$132,406.05 [2027], and \$132,406.06 [2028], for a total not to exceed amount of \$397,218.16 with funding from the TDS capital budgets 2026 through 2028.~~

~~Questions: President Parker requested clarification from Chief Financial Officer Schmidt and asked if this contract is in alignment with current accounting standards.~~

No Motion Made

Motion Failed

Discussion: President Parker, Jacob Setterberg, Kevin Jones, Jonathon Sanchez, Council member Miller
The firewall refresh project will be updated to current accounting standards and will be presented at the next regular Quil Ceda Village Council meeting for ratification.

12) Motion made by President Parker to adjourn the regular Quil Ceda Village Council meeting at 12:44PM.

Seconded

No Questions

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion carried

Visitors and Guests:

Kevin Jones, General Manager

Jennifer Flores, City Administrator

Teresa Meece, Operations Director

Jereme Gobin, Public Works Director

Casey Wren, Project Management

Chris Schmidt, TTFC, Chief Financial Officer

Robert Watson, Marketing Manager

Alexis Losik, Compliance Officer

Lacey Wright, Wetlands Coordinator

Johathon Sanchez, Office of Reservation Attorney

Jacob Setterberg, TDS Executive Director

Chief Shaughnessy, Tulalip Bay Fire District

Chief Ledford, Tulalip Police Department
MarJae Lane, Tax Compliance Coordinator

Minutes approved during the regular Quil Ceda Village Council Meeting held on March 18, 2026.


Vanessa Flores, Recording Secretary