



Quil Ceda Village

Regular Council Meeting

Wednesday, January 21, 2026

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 10:00AM

Roll Call

President, Deborah Parker – Present

Council member, Ryan Miller – Present

Council member, Hazen Shopbell – Present

A quorum is established, allowing the meeting to proceed. President Parker acknowledged the presence of a visitor and invited them to address the Council prior to beginning the scheduled agenda items.

VISITOR

Discussion: Cyrus Fryberg Jr., Council member Shopbell, President Parker, Council member Miller, Tulalip Council member Fryberg Jr.

Cyrus Fryberg Jr., Advocate at Tulalip Heritage High School, conveyed a proposal from the 2026 Senior Class to install graduation banners in Quil Ceda Village, highlighting tribal member graduates. The anticipated number of graduates is between 60 and 80, with a confirmed total to be finalized in the Spring. The Council affirmed its full support for this initiative and requested staff investigate appropriate banner dimensions, associated costs, and potential funding sources. Coordination of design and logistical details will be managed jointly by the Graphics Team and the Education Department.

1) Motion made by council member Ryan Miller to adopt the agenda for the regular Quil Ceda Village Council Meeting for January 21, 2026, as presented.

Seconded

No Questions

Ayes 3, Nays 0

Motion carried

AGENDA ADDITION

2) Motion made by council member Ryan Miller to adopt a Resolution 2026 - 04, directing staff to return with the cost estimates and feasibility analysis for installing banners recognizing the 2026 graduates, for future consideration and approval.

Seconded

No Questions

Ayes 3, Nays 0

Motion carried

3) Motion made by council member Ryan Miller to approve meeting minutes for the regular Quil Ceda Village Council Meeting held on December 18, 2025, as presented and corrected.

Seconded

No Questions

Ayes 3, Nays 0

Motion carried

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE

Discussion: Chief Shaughnessy, Council member Shopbell, Chief White, Council member Miller, President Parker

4) Tulalip Bay Fire Monthly Report

Chief Shaughnessy presented the Tulalip Bay Fire Department's monthly statistics, noting 213 total responses in December, similar to July 2025. Twenty-five calls were at the Resort, and this data will be shared regularly moving forward. January activity matches last month, with response times remaining the county's fastest. The department responded first to two house fires on Monday, both without injuries and fatalities. Chief Shaughnessy and Sherman will attend the Marysville Fire Board Meeting tonight. A follow-up letter and quarterly billing invoices will go out in February to recover outstanding funds. The Fire Commissioners support House Bill 6064 to give fire authorities greater control over collections, though it faces opposition from the county.

5) Tulalip Police Department Monthly Statistical Report

Chief Ledford presented December 2025 statistics for the Tulalip Police Department: 1,640 service calls (582 on the reservation, 625 in Quil Ceda Village, 433 at Quil Ceda Creek Casino). The Resort Casino accounted for 33% of calls. Nine domestic violence incidents were reported (six physical, three verbal), most involving tribal members. There were 63 shoplifting cases (47 in QCV), 13 drug-related cases, and 40 trespass calls. Officers made 237 traffic stops, with increased volume due to special events. Recommendations included using flaggers during events and installing crosswalks to improve safety. Upcoming system upgrades will automate ticketing processes. Ongoing concerns involve ICE activities related to events and tribal authority in QCV buildings.

ADMINISTRATION

6) Monthly Financial Report

Discussion: Chris Schmidt, TTFC Chief Financial Officer, President Parker, Council member Shopbell, Jonathon Sanchez, Office of Reservation Attorney

The Council received the Monthly Financial Report Handout and discussed end-of-year performance and revenue trends. The CFO reported that 2025 concluded strongly, supported by cigarette tax revenues. The 2026 cannabis revenue budget was adjusted downward due to earlier estimates being high. Motor fuel revenues are performing ahead

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of both budget projections and prior-year levels. Customer counts continue to steadily increase, and additional fuel pumps have been approved. A 12-month outlook predicts lower fuel costs. Council also discussed future construction and expansion planning. Overall income remains strong. Expenditures are low, with Public Safety representing the cost area. Total expenditure is projected to finish under the budgeted amount, resulting in a year-end surplus. The CFO noted that the Cost of Goods (COG) for stores is currently consolidated; Council requested breaking out COG for merchandise versus fuel for clearer financial tracking. Profit margins on goods remain strong at approximately 30-40%. A revised presentation reflecting these changes will be prepared. The report also covered updates on tax matters. Vapor and nicotine taxes do not apply to tribes or tribally owned businesses. A SB bill includes a tax percentage component, with discussion on Tribal sovereignty and economic incidence. Case law, including the Squaxin Island decision, indicates that while tribes and tribal members are excluded, wholesalers are responsible for tax remittance. Individual consumers may still be responsible for remitting sales taxes if they were not charged at the point of sale.

7) Motion made by council member Ryan Miller to adopt Resolution 2026 – 01 approving the execution and delivery of Amendment No.1 to the Contract with Parametrix for the QCV Transportation Improvement Program Project: No.QCV-CPR-025-004 in the amount of \$215,081.47 resulting in a revised total not to exceed \$274,962.57. Funding for this amendment to come from the QCV Public Works cap ex budget.

Seconded

No Questions

Ayes 3, Nays 0

Motion carried

8) Motion by council member Ryan Miller to adopt Resolution 2026 - 02 approving QCV Public Works Department to carry over funds from 2025 Capex projects 25PMP, 25VLV and CRANE to the 2026 budget year in the amount of \$187,899.25 dollars.

Seconded

No Questions

Ayes 3, Nays 0

Motion carried

9) Motion made by council member Ryan Miller to adopt Resolution 2026 – 03 approving the Quil Ceda Village Public Works Department close out of 2025 capital projects and apply the unspent capital expenditure savings, \$82,122.19, towards the purchase of two new DuroFlow Blowers for the MBR treatment plant in the amount of \$62,000.00 dollars with the remaining funds, \$20,122.19, returned to the QCV General fund.

Seconded

No Questions

Ayes 3, Nays 0

Motion carried

11) Motion made by Ryan Miller to adjourn the regular Quil Ceda Village Council meeting at 11:07AM

Seconded

No Questions

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion carried

Staff & Visitors:

Marlin Fryberg, Tulalip Tribes Council member
Kevin Jones, General Manager
Robert Watson, Marketing & Tourism Manager
Vanessa Flores, Administrative Services Manager
Lacey Wright, Wetlands Coordinator
Alexis Losik, Compliance Officer
Jereme Gobin, Public Works Director
Jennifer Flores, Village Clerk
Jacob Setterberg, TDS Executive Director
MarJae Lane, Tax Compliance
Deputy Chief Ryan White, Tulalip Bay Fire Department
Chief Ryan Shaughnessy, Tulalip Bay Fire Department
Jonathon Sanchez, Office of Reservation Attorney
Cyrus Fryberg, Jr., Visitor
Chris Schmidt, TTFC Chief Financial Officer
Chief Shawn Ledford, Tulalip Police Department

Minutes approved during the regular Quil Ceda Village Council meeting held on February 18, 2026.



Vanessa Flores, Recording Secretary