Quil Ceda Village

Regular Council Meeting
June 21, 2005
Minutes

9:00 AM: Village Council Meeting: Roll Call

President Herman Williams, Jr.
Council Member Les Parks
Council Member Glen Gobin

Staff & Visitors Present:
John McCoy, QCV General Manager
Chuck James, QCV Ex-Officio Member
Mel Sheldon, QCV Ex-Officio Member
Stan Jones, Sr., QCV Ex-Officio Member
Mike Taylor, Village Attorney
Steve Gobin, E.D. H&HS, G.A.
Greg Keith, TDS
Juanita Diaz, Recording Secretary

1) Approval of Agenda June 21, 2005-06-20
Motion made by Les Parks to approve the regular Village Council agenda of June 21, 2005 as presented.
Seconded
Questions
3 For 0 Against
Motion carried

2) Approval of Minutes
Motion made by Les Parks to approve the minutes of the regular Village Council meeting of May 17, 2005 as presented.
Seconded
Questions 3 For 0 Against
Motion carried

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Government Affairs

3) Out of State Travel Request for Tracie Stevens
Motion made by Les Parks to approve the out of state travel for Tracie Stevens and any Village Council member to attend NIGA 2005 Legislative Summit in Washington D.C., July 11-14, 2005 at a cost of $1,782.21 each to come Government Affairs budget.
Seconded
Questions:
3 For 0 Against
Motion carried

4) Out of State Travel Request for John McCoy
Discussion: Glen Gobin, Les Parks, John McCoy

The Dellum Commission works with communities with issues such as why juveniles are tried as adults. The commission works with Tribal Correction Facilities and provides information on planning. There are currently (2) Native Americans on the commission. The commission works in conjunction with (8) other local tribes. Chief Goss is also involved. The commission is for people of color. The Dellum Commission will reimburse the tribe for travel expenses

Motion made by Glen Gobin to approve the out of state travel request for John McCoy to attend the Dellum Commission Conference in Washington, D.C., July 24-28, 2005 with the tribal expense to be refunded by the Dellum Commission
Seconded
Question: This trip could help with funding for the facility. The facility could be built with other funds in conjunction with local tribes.
3 For 0 Against
Motion carried

Quil Ceda Village Administration

5) Out of State Travel Request for Nina Reece
Motion made by Glen Gobin to approve the out of state travel for Nina Reece and any Village Council member to attend the National Intertribal Tax Alliance Conference in Cabazon, CA, September 21-23, 2005at a cost of $1,519.11 each to come from the Quil Ceda Village Administrative travel budget.
Seconded
Questions
3 For 0 Against
Motion carried
Questions: Will the BOD travel come from the BOD budget, or Village budget? Staff will need to check the availability of the travel budget for the Quil Ceda Village. A tribal attorney will attend.

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6) Draft Reading of Restaurant Privilege Tax
Discussion: Mike Taylor, Peter Mills, John McCoy, Glen Gobin, Chuck James, Les Parks, Steve Gobin

The tax is a Restaurant Privilege tax. The state is currently collecting sales tax from Village businesses. Even the Indian owned businesses are paying taxes to the State that they should not be paying. Council wants to know where the taxes should be paid. Quil Ceda Village should be receiving the tax. Staff is recommending that all Indian owned restaurants within the Village should be taxed. The tax needs the Village Council's approval. The state tax on restaurant sales is 8.5% for this area. Recommendations are that the tax structure should not be limited to just Indian owned businesses within the Village. They should apply to all businesses within the Village. Why are the taxes imposed on seller? It is the seller's responsibility to collect the tax from the user and remit it to the Village. Will the prices go up on liquor sales? Yes. The tax applies to prepared food and drinks. How does this apply to comps? If the seller keeps tracks of comps, will we have to pay the taxes on comps such as soft drinks and food? It will apply as it states in the current draft. Council can make the decision to remove the comps from taxation. Council would like to remove the comps from taxation. What is the timing for imposing this tax? It could begin as early as one month? Will this apply to Arby's and QC Creek Casino? No, the Village does not have the authority to go outside of its boundaries to tax. The Tulalip Board of Directors will need to create a similar Ordinance for those businesses with the Reservation but outside of Quil Ceda Village. The process needs to go forward. Staff is to go forward with a public meeting. Council would like to get this started as soon as possible. Council thanks staff for drafting this amendment to the Village Tax Code.

7) Quil Ceda Village Clerk
Appointment of Village Clerk Position
Tabled

8) Governor's Trip to China
A) FYI-Discussion: John McCoy
Tulalip has been officially invited to send a delegate to assist the Governor of the State of Washington on her trip to China. The trip is scheduled for September 17-27, 2005 at an estimated cost of $6,000 each. This has been brought to Village Council so a tentative appointee will be considered. The agenda is very heavy with 16 hours work days. There will be no time for sightseeing or other activities. Have any other tribes been invited? This is unknown.

Special Projects

9) Update on PUD
Tabled until later date.

10) FYI Jackson Hydro Dam
Tabled until later date.

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Utilities & Environmental Services

11) Update Out of State Travel Request for Tom Gobin & Lukas Reyes
Motion made by Les Parks to approve the changes for out of state travel request for Tom Gobin and Lukas Reyes to Pala Casino & Resort in San Diego, CA June 23-25, 2005, at a new cost of $1,249.05 each to come from the Utilities travel budget.
Seconded
Questions:
2 For 0 Against 1 Abstain (Glen Gobin)
Motion carried

Adjourn Meeting of Quil Ceda Village Council Meeting
Motion made by Les Parks to adjourn the Village Council Meeting at 11:15 A.M.
Seconded
Questions
3 For 0 Against
Meeting Adjourned

Minutes approved at the regular Village Council meeting of July 19, 2005

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Recording Secretary Date

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