



Quil Ceda Village

Regular Council Meeting
Thursday, January 16, 2025
Minutes

Call Meeting to Order at 10:04AM

President, Glen Gobin – Here

Council member, Debra Posey – Here

Council member, Marlin Fryberg Jr. – Here

President Gobin states we have a full quorum. Council member Fryberg asks if we have any additions. Vanessa Flores confirms we need to add Tulalip Police Department December Stats, Yearend Statistics with a Power Point presentation, and a Resolution for TDS Budget Amendment.

1) Motion made by Council member Posey to adopt the agenda for the regular Quil Ceda Village Council Meeting for January 16, 2025, with the additions.

Seconded

Question: None

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion: Carried

2) Motion made by Council member Posey to approve meeting minutes for the regular Quil Ceda Village Council Meeting held on December 20, 2024, as presented, and corrected.

Seconded

Question: None

Ayes 3 Nays 0

Motion: carried

Public Safety & Justice

Discussion: Chief Ryan White, Council member Posey, Council member Fryberg, President Gobin, General Manager Jones, Attorney Sanchez, Public Works Director Jereme Gobin.

3) Tulalip Bay Fire Monthly Report

Chief Ryan White - Tulalip Bay Fire Department Monthly Report for December 2024 we received a total of 148 calls; of those calls more than half 86 calls were responses into Marysville. 2024 yearly average for Quil Ceda Village Fire Department (QCVFD) ran 1681 calls. Monthly we averaged 140 calls; of those calls, on average 81 responses go into Marysville. When QCVFD responds to Marysville calls we collect transportation revenue, but we have not collected the tax revenue, which is still going to Marysville. QCVFD collects \$200,000 annually on transport revenue. Our departments offer the same services to the community, negotiations are in process with both Fire Chiefs. Council member Posey asks what the process is to go into Marysville for Fire or Aid. QCVFD calls come from 911 dispatch system. Based on the location of calls, they look for the closest units and we are requested to respond. Previously, we paid Marysville Fire Department (MFD) quarterly, with a total of \$1.5 million annually. Now we need reciprocation when we provide services from our city. The Chief mentioned, in the future MFD is adding a peek activity AID car unit, to assist with response times and calls. Council states we need to collaborate with our Legal team and set a deadline to start collecting fees and tax revenues as soon as possible per our tax case, which includes Fire and EMS services.

10:17AM OFF RECORD

10:27AM RECORD RESUMES

Chief Ryan White discusses replacing the current leased trailer with a newer and nicer manufactured home, which has been designed to meet the needs of the QCVFD team. They already have permission from the Planning Department for a temporary conditional use permit and would like to know if they have permission from the council to move forward with the current plan. After discussions regarding Quil Ceda Village design criteria the council members agree. The fire department can move forward and replace the current rented trailer with a nicer structure. President Gobin would like to set up a meeting to review the Quil Ceda Village design criteria, modernize and review: guidelines, codes, standards and make revisions if needed. It will help us to avoid conflicts when bringing new buildings into the Village, to avoid leasing issues with tenants when moving forward with future developments.

4) Tulalip Police Department – Stats

Discussion: Chief Ledford, Council member Posey, Council member Fryberg, President Gobin, Public Works Director Jereme Gobin.

Chief Ledford had a meeting with his staff sergeants and above to address efforts regarding shoplifting, visibility, and declining prosecutions. There is a new process in place, if the business owner does not want to assist with prosecution, Tulalip Police Department (TPD) needs to address it with the business owner. The Chief had a meeting with Seattle Premium Outlet (SPO) General Manager to discuss thefts and the new process of store owners are obligated to call 911 dispatch to report thefts and not waiting until it is too late. He continues to share December 2024 Statistics in a Power Point presentation addressing Domestic Violence, Theft, Shoplifting, Drugs and Vehicle statistics. TPD had a total of 2001 calls: Quil Ceda Village had 776 calls (39%), Quil Ceda Creek Casino had 413 calls (21%), and the Reservation had 812 calls (40%), The rest of the reservation we had 1225 calls (60%) of workload, breaking it down farther (36%) of the calls are from Tulalip Resort Casino. Council member Posey asks questions about New Years Eve and the Boom City injury report and wants to know if there are any other significant items to report. The Chief is waiting for the details to arrive, before creating a report for the council. He would like to know if we are going to have a curfew on lighting fireworks, so his team can shut it down at the time requested. President Gobin would like to see the traffic counts/population numbers for the reservation vs. Quil Ceda Village. The Chief is waiting to get traffic

counts. When they are available, he can factor in population per capita for officers in high traffic areas throughout the day. Chief Ledford would like to set up a time to talk with Marci (Fryberg) at the Resort to discuss the foot traffic at the casinos and allowing the K-9 dogs in at high traffic times. Jereme Gobin asked if we could also use the dogs on our walking trails to assist with finding and removing encampments. Council member Posey mentions not removing the encampments by force, we need community outreach, handing out information and resources that are available, especially when there are freezing temperatures. Council member Fryberg states this has helped keep people out, in the past. But we need consistency and to take safety precautions, then requests we send trained professionals.

11:11AM CLOSED SESSION

11:37AM SESSION RESUMES

5) Monthly Finance Report

Discussion: Chris Schmit CFO, President Gobin, General Manager Jones, Council member Fryberg, Council member Posey.

Fuel taxes surpassed expectations. We are one million ahead of revenue for Quil Ceda Village (QCV). Closing entries still not posted, we will have an additional five hundred thousand with Land Occupation & Use Tax collection from the tribe. Sales tax and cigarette tax is down (13%), cannabis tax is down (43%), President Gobin asks if there is a reason behind the drop. Council member Posey states it is from a decrease in sales. Chris mentions the break in contributed to a loss in sales. General Manager Jones said the actual costs were about \$30,000, we are \$234,000 under projected. QCV is down in expenditure, labor, and staff budgeting. Kevin said we had twenty open positions in 2024; currently there might be eleven open positions for TDS and QCV combined. The Village set up a US Bank tax account for the (25%) contingent sales tax from the TTFC side. There will be a \$5.2 million transfer soon. Fuel performance summary in November we shifted to a new fuel pricing strategy. Which doubled our gross profit margin in the past two months, possibly due to the holiday season, we have been successful so far. Council member Fryberg wants reports to put together for future opportunities and expansion discussions. President Gobin requested researching sales for surrounding competitive stations. Council member Posey proposed to create a professional business plan, based on fuel stations information, impacts, how many gallons are going out, and developing profit and loss projections.

11:50AM Council member Fryberg exits changing the vote count.

6) Motion made by Council member Posey to adopt Resolution 2025 – 01 approving the budget amendment for TDS Administration, 4075-40751, for utilities/power payments in the amount of \$90,000 with funds to come from the Quil Ceda Village tax bank account.

Seconded

Question: None

Ayes 2 Nays 0

Motion: carried

7) Motion made by President Gobin to adjourn the regular Quil Ceda Village Council Meeting at

11:55AM

Seconded

Ayes 2 Nays 0

Motion: carried

Staff & Visitors:

Jacob Setterberg – Interim TDS Director

Jereme Gobin – Public Works Director

Joshua Sanchez – Reservation Attorney

Casey Wren – Project Management

Michele Robbins - Paralegal

Kevin Jones – General Manager

Chief White – Tulalip Bay Fire Department

Chris Schmidt – Chief Financial Officer, Tulalip Tribal Federal Corporation

Vanessa Flores – Administrative Services Manager

Chief Ledford – Tulalip Tribal Police Department

Minutes approved during the regular Quil Ceda Village Council meeting held on February 21, 2025.



Vanessa Flores, Recording Secretary