



Quil Ceda Village

Regular Council Meeting
September 11, 2024
Minutes

Call Meeting to Order 10:01AM

President Glen Gobin – Absent
Council member Debra Posey – Present
Council member Marlin Fryberg Jr. – Present

President Pro Tempore asks that the record reflect that President Gobin is representing us (Tulalip Tribes) in Washington D.C. then asks if there is a motion to adopt the agenda.

1) Motion made by Council member Fryberg to adopt the agenda for the regular Village Council meeting of September 11, 2024 as presented.

Seconded

Ayes 2 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Public Safety & Justice

2) Tulalip Bay Fire Department Monthly Report

Discussion: Chief Ryan Shaughnessy, President Pro Tempore Posey, Lee Shannon, Office of Reservation Attorney

President Pro Tempore states you drove the big truck today. Chief Shaughnessy replied that he drove his own vehicle, but the ladder truck is in the parking lot and Tulalip Bay Fire will be hanging a Flag off it in honor of September 11th Remembrance Day. The Ladder Truck will display an American flag at the round-a-bout near Tulalip Resort Casino for I-5 visibility. August call responses: 75 into Marysville, 44 for Quil Ceda Village, 12 responses up and down 27th Ave. half of calls still going over to Marysville, calls trending down and in the right direction. Chief informs the Council that Tulalip Police Department (TPD) signed a conflict waiver with our attorney. Because two Attorneys are now at the same Firm, a conflict waiver is needed to keep moving forward with annexation pieces for QCV Fire District. Lee Shannon gave clarification by stating the attorneys

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are working together but are not at the same firm. This is regarding the property annexation, removing it from Marysville. We are currently working through the issue of getting the property tax base back to the tribe. President Posey asked about time for the project. Lee responded with the end of the year at the earliest. If we have cooperation from Marysville and they are willing to support, it on their side. If we can get Marysville to sign on and support, the agreement needs go through a few public meetings on their side. If Marysville opposes it, this will take a lot more time. President Posey asks if we have had a meeting to propose this with them. Lee Shannon replied this is coming from Marysville side as well. Right now, they have the legal obligation for the tax credit, even under established law, if we did not have an agreement with them, they would have the obligation to come provide services over here. The staffers want it off their books, to rid themselves of the obligation. Chief Shaughnessy discussed this with them and the Board of Commissioners and is hoping for a smooth transition. They are expecting some opposition in the end from some citizens in Marysville. President Posey reassured Chief that we have always had someone opposing us, we will prevail. Chief Shaughnessy confirmed the Fire Department did receive \$270,000 requested from Community Impact Funds and they thankful and appreciate it. The department will put the funds to good use.

3) Tulalip Police Department Monthly Report

Discussion: Chief Sean Ledford, Tulalip Police Department, Deputy Chief Christopher Gobin, Tulalip Police Department, Council member Fryberg, President Pro Tempore Posey, August briefing of calls show there were no major incidents to report. Deputy Chief Gobin shares the Tulalip Police Department (TPD) is looking at a way to revamp the stats report through the CAD system. The Police Department wants to make sure the Village is getting the service it deserves with the money. Sergeants went through the testing process. TPD will prioritize vehicles to stay within the Village limits. Councilmember Fryberg explains the need for officers continuously assigned to this area. Our customers in the Village need the services and protection. Our federal taxes are used for Policing, this Council wants to see representation for our contributions to your annual budget. President Pro Tempore Posey shares her concerns regarding the homelessness in the Village. There were many encampments in the wooded areas behind our businesses. Deputy Chief Gobin replies that a joint effort went into combatting the encampment problem but there are issues that come up from time to time, so it will always be a challenge. Council member Fryberg explained to keep an eye out, in the past other police departments would just bring their homeless and drop them off on our reservation. It is always an ongoing thing. Chief Ledford is meeting with Marysville Chief next week. In the future Marysville, the Sheriff's office and State Patrol we can build relationships in hopes to be able to address issues or problems right away. Council member Fryberg, we give out 2% of our gaming revenue from the casino for community impact funds, these other agencies ask for that money, we have been waiting for you to assist us on where it goes. We are looking to you to foster relationships and we are on the same team here. Chief, we are working on a way to see how the community impact funds help, it might be active shooter trainings, it could happen at Walmart or a school, possibly anywhere now. We need to be prepared for these things. It will need multiple agencies coming in. I want to be sure the funding will be assisting with something to support us. Chief Ledford assured the Council that this will be one of their top priorities to prepare for.

4) New Fuel Tax Account - Discussion

Discussion: Chris Schmidt, Interim Chief Financial Officer, President Pro Tempore Posey, Jennifer Flores, City Administrator

Interim Chief Financial Officer Schmidt announces that there is no August Finance Report because staff has not performed their month end procedures, but we are not at the close. The Village is need of opening a second Fuel Tax Account to deposit 25% of the fuel taxes collected from sale of fuel at the Tulalip Market Fueling Stations.

We have a revenue sharing compact with the state of Washington. Since transitioning to Cougar Den, we are collecting 100% of the tax. The Tulalip Market has been withholding payment of 25% of the tax and have only transferred 75% of the tax since we transferred service providers. We preserved that portion, and many questions have been asked about what to do with that 25%. The Council asked where the money is? Interim CFO Schmidt replies it is being held in the Wells Fargo Fueling Station Account. President Pro Tempore Posey suggests depositing the money in an investment account and asks staff to reach out to Marlito (Duaz) for bank account options. Council member Fryberg suggests another meeting to discuss what to do with the money. City Administrator Flores clarifies that the reason the Village is opening the second account is to ensure market is remitting 100% of the tax liability. They can make separate deposits of 75% to the Village unrestricted account and 25% to a restricted account.

ADD-ON

5) Motion made by Council member Fryberg to adopt resolution 2024-45 authorizing the execution of delivery of the Quil Ceda Village General Manager of the agreement between Tulalip Data Services and Salish Networks for the installation of fiber optic cable for TDS to Marine Drive and Waterworks via new Tulalip Water Line Project in the amount not to exceed \$324,574.23 with funding to come from the 2024 Capital Budget.

Seconded

Questions: None

Ayes 2 Nays 0

Motion Carried

President Pro Tempore Posey asked staff if they had any questions or concerns to address before adjournment. City Administrator Flores replied yes. Kevin Jones (General Manager) is currently out of the office and the Village does not have an Acting General Manager and asks if the Council will appoint an Acting General Manager. The Council asked who would like to be in charge and two staff members volunteered. Council member Fryberg asked why he is out. City Administrator Flores stated that those details should be discussed in private and not in open session.

6) Motion made by Council member Fryberg to adjourn the regular Quil Ceda Village Council meeting at 10:31am.

Seconded

Questions: None

Ayes 2 Nays 0

Motion Carried

Staff & Visitors:

Jennifer Flores, City Administrator

Vanessa Flores, Administrative Services Manager

Chris Schmidt, Interim Chief Financial Officer

Christopher Gobin, Deputy Chief Tulalip Police

Shawn Ledford, Chief of Police (Tulalip)

Michele Robbins, QCV Paralegal

Lee Shannon, Office of Reservation Attorney

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Jereme Gobin, Public Works Director
Teresa Meece, Operations Director
Jacob Setterberg, Tulalip Data Services
John Kimbrough, Supply Chain
Chief Ryan Shaughnessy, Tulalip Bay Fire Department

Minutes approved during the regular Quil Ceda Village Council Meeting held on October 16, 2024.



Vanessa Flores, Recording Secretary