

# Quil Ceda Village

Regular Council Meeting July 21, 2009 Minutes

# 9:02 A.M.

Roll Call

President Stan Jones, Sr.-Present Council Member Tony Hatch-Present Ex-Officio Marlin Fryberg, Jr.-Present

## **Staff and Visitor**

Steve Gobin, Deputy G.M.
Cal Taylor, Liquor Store Mgr.
Nina Reece, Village Clerk
Patti Gobin, TTT Special Projects
Foley Cleveland, Property Management
Lieutenant Jeff Jira, TTT Police
Lisa Koop, Reservation Attorney

Council Member Glen Gobin-Absent (WA D.C.) Treasurer Chuck James-Present Chairman Mel Sheldon – 10:00 am

Tom McKinsey, Engineering Leo Joinette, CFO Juanita Diaz, Recording Sec. Tom Gobin, Utilities Manager Greg Keith, TDS Asst. Director Commander Carlos Echevarria, TTT Police

<u>Visitors:</u> Lynn Stokesbary, Jeff Blake-Prothman Company Discussions:

Lynn Stokesbary & Jeff Blake are consultants hired by Quil Ceda Village to work on a new Fire/EMS agreement with the City of Marysville. The consultants would like to speak on the meeting that was held with Marysville Fire District 12. The district also sees a need to create a new agreement. The original agreement was drafted before any development began in the area now known as Quil Ceda Village. The fees the district charges were based on a construction value of the improvements to any property. The district would bill annually with escalators based on the original construction value. The agreement is ten years old and many improvements have been added. Additionally, there is a fire levy being imposed through property taxes on some of the improvements within the Village which was not addressed in the original agreement. The district did not include Quil Ceda Village within its boundaries and somehow this has changed. A brief overview was

provided on how the State of Washington establishes fire districts and the area they serve. The Village would like to look at options for a new agreement. Other districts collect based on an "assessed value" to improvements. The Village agreement uses the original construction value rather than re-assessing the improvements on a regular basis. The district was involved in the construction of the Tulalip Resort. Representatives from the district went over construction plans and inspected the building as it progressed. Several costly changes were made to accommodate the district. The Resort is the first high rise building of its type in north Snohomish County. The district used the property to train staff. The Village would like the district to provide regular reports on Fire/EMS services and training as well as all revenue and expenses by the district within the Village. Before the Resort was built the Tribe was paying approximately \$150,000 a year but once the Resort was built, the cost was going to double. The Resort was built with more than a million dollars in additional fire safety improvements at the request of the district. Other services are being provided by the district and both parties want to make sure that the Village is being assessed a reasonable fee for those services. The district wants to make sure that the tax payers are not supplementing the services provided to the Village. The invoices are sent separately to all the entities of the Village and Tribe. The Clerk has asked for copies of those invoices. The tenants of the Tribe located within the Village are paying fees through property taxes imposed on their improvements. The Tribe donates money every year to District 12, 15 and others that provide backup support to these two districts. The consultants need to find out how much the district collects on behalf of all taxes and fees collected west of I-5 and within District 12 boundaries. Initial observation of the agreement is it needs revisions with an annual/semi annual meeting between the District 12 and the Village and performance reporting. The consultants should do a comparison with other tribes and fire districts to see how agreements for services are handled. How do fire districts incorporate other governments within their districts such as county, state or federal properties and how are those Fire/EMS fees collected for those governments. The Village Council would like to meet with District 12 with a report given.

1) Motion made by Tony Hatch to approve the agenda for the regular Village Council Meeting of July 21, 2009.

Seconded

Questions: Additions to the agenda should be: 1) 116<sup>th</sup> Street 2) An update on the Fueling Station

2 For 0 Against Motion carried

2) Motion made by Tony Hatch to approve the minutes for the regular Village Council Meeting of June 19, 2009.

Seconded

**Questions:** 

2 For 0 Against

Motion carried

# **Marysville Fire District 12**

3) See above notes "Visitors"

#### Law Enforcement

4) Police Report-Commander Echevarria, Lieutenant Jeff Jira Handout provided with statistics for the past 30 days.

The Board of Directors and Boom City committee need to have a discussion regarding Ordinance 52. A meeting with Quil Ceda Village, Board of Directors, and Boom City also needs to take place. The Village Council would like to welcome Lieutenant Jira to the Village.

## **Engineering**

- 5) Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians Economic Development Corporation
  - --Northwest Tribal Energy Group Account annual dues, \$7,500.00.

Discussions: Tom McKinsey, Steve Gobin,

Staff has been part of this sub-group for a while researching different ways for energy. Staff would like to renew the annual membership of \$7,500. This was not put in the Engineering budget for 2009. The General Manager recommends adjusting the Government Affairs budget to pay for this cost. Next year it needs to be included in the Engineering budget. Council is okay with participating with this group.

#### **Finance**

6) Motion made by Tony Hatch to approve Resolution No 2009-013 transferring \$1,310,460.41 in 2009 tax revenue from the tax account to the QCV General Fund checking account to pay approved current year operational expenses.

Seconded

Questions: This is the second transfer of funds for operational expenses in 2009.

2 For 0 Against Motion carried

7) Motion made by Tony Hatch to approve Resolution No 2009-014 transferring \$22,194.86 in 2008 Restaurant Tax Revenue from the tax account received from Tulalip Casino\*Bingo in April 2008 for Quil Ceda Creek Casino tax receipts to the Tulalip Tribes which were inadvertently deposited into Quil Ceda Village.

Seconded

**Ouestions:** 

2 For 0 Against

Motion carried

# **Administration**

- 8) FYI- The Harvard Project would like to visit the Village and create a documentary film with The Harvard Project and Independent Production about current renaissance by Native Nations. The project would take place in fall 2009.
- 9) FYI QCV Building Repairs and Maintenance
  There are a number of issues for repairs and maintenance on the Quil Ceda Village buildings. Staff will bring back to the Council a budget and the cost.

# **Travel Report & Contracts under \$50K**

- 10) Travel Report-FYI
- 11) Contract under \$50K
  - a) Prothman \$10,000 QCV Fire Agreement

## **Budget Report as of April 30, 2009-FYI**

- 12) Administration & Tax Revenue Report attached
- 13) Construction & Economic Development Report attached
- 14) Engineering Services Report attached
- 15) Events & Entertainment Report attached
- 16) Finance Report attached
- 17) Government Affairs Report attached
- 18) Human Resources Report attached
- 19) Maintenance Report attached
- 20) Property Management Report attached
- 21) Tulalip Smoke Shop Report attached
- 22) Quil Ceda Smoke Shop Report attached
- 23) Tulalip Data Services & Broadband Report attached
- 24) Tulalip Pharmacy Report Attached
- 25) Utilities & Environmental Services Report attached

#### Fuel Station Project

Discussion: Steve Gobin, Leo Joinette, Tom Gobin, Tom McKinsey, Tony Hatch,

The Quil Ceda Village Utilities would like to run a 12 inch line to the fuel station. How much water is needed? Staff would like to install either a 12 inch or 18 inch pipe. Can QCV use their capital funds to extend out past boundaries? Yes, as long as Tulalip Utilities agrees to allow QCV into their area. Staff is also looking at the sewer issues and connections. Staff will proceed with the recommendations of using the Village staff to install the pipes. Staff will give the Village Council a complete report on the different options for discounts. The business proposals will also need to be brought forward to the Board of Directors. Staff would like to set a date with the Board of Directors to further discuss the Fuel Station. Staff will provide a resolution to the Tulalip Board of Directors Business committee for approval of signing authority to get bills paid from the strategic fund.

# 116<sup>th</sup> Street Update

Discussion: Debbie Bray

The culvert project went out to bid and closed. Five responsive bids were received. Snohomish County was also present for the bid opening. The TERO compliance is included with the bid package. Staff is asking for a notice to proceed.

#### **CLOSED SESSION - Leasing**

Begin 11:00 am

End 11:30 a.m.

Minutes approved at the regular Village Council meeting of August 18, 2009.

