

# Quil Ceda Village

Regular Council Meeting December 3, 2002 Minutes

9:00 AM: Village Council Meeting: Roll Call

President Stan Jones Sr. – Here
Council Member Herman Williams Jr. – Here
Council Member Calvin Taylor – Here
A quorum is established. Meeting is called to order by President Stan Jones Sr.

#### **Staff & Visitors Present:**

Les Parks, Construction Manager
Michael Taylor, Tribal Attorney
Tracie Stevens, Tribal Policy Analyst
Kyle Lucas, Tribal Policy Analyst
Peter Mills, Business Park Manager
Conrad Edwards, Entrepreneurship Consultant

Nina Reece, Village Recorder Tony Armstrong, Northwest Strategies Jim Hammons, Snohomish County Tim Brewer, Tribal Attorney Paul Shukovsky, Seattle Post Intelligencer Ellis Conklin, Northwest Strategies

- 1) Approval of Agenda
- -Discussion: Add Image That Studios to Item 6.

Motion made by Cal Taylor to approve the agenda as amended.

Seconded

3 For 0 Against

Motion carried

- 2) Approval of Minutes
- -November 05, 2002

Herman Williams Jr. moves to approve the minutes with amendments (if needed) for the November 05, 2002 regular Quil Ceda Village Council meeting.

Seconded

3 For 0 Against

Motion carries

-November 19, 2002

Herman Williams Jr. moves to approve the minutes with amendments (if needed) for the November 29, 2002 regular Quil Ceda Village Council meeting.

Seconded

3 For 0 Against

Motion carries

#### **Old Business:**

3) Theme Park - Update – Peter Mills 10 Minutes

Motion made to move this item to the end of the agenda for a closed session.

Seconded

3 For 0 Against

Motion carries

### **New Business:**

- 4) Appointment of Interim Quil Ceda Village General Manager
- -December 03, 2002
- -January 9, 2002 (approx. 110 days)

Discussion: John McCoy will be away from the office January 9, 2003 for approximately 100 days, an interim General Manager needs to be appointed.

Motion made by Cal Taylor to appoint Steve Gobin as the interim General Manager of Quil Ceda Village.

Discussion: Is Steve prepared for this? No, he does not know about this.

Seconded by Herman Williams

2 For (Calvin Taylor, Stanley Jones Sr.)

1 Against (Herman Williams Jr.)

Statement: President feels that Steve has been working along side John and should be ready to assume his duties while he is away. President votes for the motion.

Motion carries

- 5) Tulalip Foreign Trade Zone Conrad Edwards (Handout: 10 Minutes)
- -Application Process
- -Boot Camp Attendees (?)

Discussion: Foreign Trade Zone boot camp in January 2003. Quil Ceda Village would be the perfect fit. They are usually located in industrial zones. There are general purpose zones (253), (400 foreign trade zones). Recommendation that Quil Ceda use the general purpose zones. The application process takes 9-12 months. It costs about \$6,000 to apply. There are many areas to be researched. Great interest in tobacco and pharmaceuticals. The Mohawks were involved in a decision that affects the desirability of tobacco products. More research is needed. There are many advantages in importing materials and doing the manufacturing here. Will be looking into ideas regarding going zone to zone which would allow for an almost duty free zone. Staff would like Council Members to approve the further development of this process with the Council Members being the Foreign Trade Zone Board. The Council would benefit from

attending the Foreign Trade Zone Boot Camp with appropriate staff. Council should appoint a Foreign Trade Zone Manager. Products are regulated by a number of organizations. Quil Ceda Village will have an annual membership cost of \$950.00 per year. The Village Council thanks Conrad for his research and development. Funds in the amount of \$7,000 need to be found. Requesting the authority to proceed and to authorize travel to attend the out of state travel.

Cal Taylor makes a motion to authorize the Village to continue with the National Association of Foreign Trade Zone and authorize appropriate Quil Ceda Village Staff and Council to attend the Foreign Trade Zone Boot Camp in San Diego, CA, January 12 & 13, 2003.

Seconded

Questions: Funding source?

Quil Ceda Village should amend their budget to include these costs.

3 For 0 Against Motion carries

## 6) Quil Ceda Traders - FYI

-Development Process

Discussion: The name should be Quil Ceda Trading Post. It lends a more "antique" atmosphere.

Questions: There are legal matters to research regarding lease. Should be ready by the end of the month to go out to membership for leasing space.

-Imagine That Studios (Santa)

Discussion: Staff would like the Council to authorize a lease agreement to allow this organization to come here and set up a Santa shop in the southwest corner of the Quil Ceda Place Retail Center parking lot. License fee is 15% of gross.

Motion made by Herman Williams Jr. to allow Imagine That Studios to come to Quil Ceda Place Retail Center and take Santa pictures.

Seconded

3 For 0 Against

Motion carries

- 7) Quil Ceda Village Parking Lot Extension
- -Funding Source

Discussion: Held off on this because it may be piggybacked on to other projects.

Some \$30,000 may be left for tenant improvement from the amended allocation plan. The overflow parking lot is needed.

Cal Taylor moves staff to use an additional \$20,000 out of tenant improvement funds. If additional funds are needed then staff should come back for additional funds.

Seconded

3 For 0 Against

Motion carries

8) General Manager Business Car

Discussion: Motion was approved for two vehicles for other General Managers for Tulalip to have a personal

vehicle. Was Quil Ceda Village GM's car just overlooked. It must have been an oversight? Should it be brought to the full board? Council recommends amending Quil Ceda Village's 2003 budget to add a vehicle for the General Manager. This recommendation will be taken back to the full board for consideration.

9) Quil Ceda Village "Draft" Municipal Tax Code (Handout)

-First Reading

Discussion: Current "Draft" of the Quil Ceda Village Municipal Tax Code is 66 pages long. An informal reading was held at the November 19, 2002 council meeting that was cancelled. A summary and PowerPoint presentation has been prepared. Summary is read to the council.

Regarding gaming, does the Tribe tax the gaming operations at 100%? Would Quil Ceda Village be able to tax gaming within the Village. Technically, the Tribe does not have a tax ordinance that specifically identifies a tax on gaming. Are there any provisions for exemptions, and if so what? There are a few for non-profits and a few others but not many. Sales tax should be collected to be able to pay for our schools. Our school is going to cost \$5,000,000 per year. The sales tax needs to be implemented and returned to the Village.

A report commissioned by Quil Ceda Village and performed by the Lexacon Group is available for review. This report demonstrates that Quil Ceda Village does all the functions of a city government. A statement was read regarding the report. It is attached to the minutes.

The estimated government expenditures between the City of Marysville and Quil Ceda Village were presented on a graft and are attached to these minutes. Should the Village continue to wait for the State of Washington to give them the recognition they deserve or should they head to Washington D.C. The Village needs to look into both paths but the Village needs to see this through to the end.

Olympia does not seem to be responding due to the current budget deficit. Quil Ceda Village should pursue the 2% Sales Tax portion that is divided up among the local and county agencies. The Village should do everything it can to pursue this. The Village needs everything that Marysville needs. The Village needs to continue to inform the good citizens of the State of Washington in all the good things that the Village does with its money.

Break: 11:24

10) Next regular Council Meeting, December 17, 2002

Motion made to adjourn the December 3, 2002 regular Quil Ceda Village Council meeting.

Seconded

3 For 0 Against

Motion carried

11:32 AM Adjourn Meeting

Nina Reece, Village Recorder