



GIG HARBOR ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

DATE: May 19, 2009
TIME: 4:30 pm
LOCATION: Donkey Creek Park
SCRIBE: Lita Dawn Stanton
MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Sullivan, Ron Carson, Dale Strickland, Karen Peck, Summer Lane Landry, and Pat Rosenthal; excused: Michael Jones, Tracy von Trotha and Carola Stark
STAFF PRESENT: Lita Dawn Stanton
MINUTES: May 12 Minutes will be reviewed at regularly scheduled meeting on June 9

New Business

NONE

Old Business

1. "RING IN THE SALMON" PLACEMENT AT DONKEY CREEK PARK

DISCUSSION POINTS

The Commissioners, staff, and Mayor Hunter met artist Tom Torrens on-site who offered to bring the base and bell of the salmon sculpture to Donkey Creek Park. Torrens suggested the site visit so that the City could visually review placement options. At the last Arts Commission meeting, Landry raised concerns that the garden placement might prove too cluttered (existing vegetative hedge, the main park sign and 2 historic markers). The sculpture was physically moved around the park including onto the viewing platform. The general feeling held by the Commissioners was that it was too far away and not visible enough. A majority of the group determined that for visibility and access, the bell should be placed just off the sidewalk on a small concrete base near the intersection of Harborview and North Harborview Drive. After considering recommendations from both the Parks and the Arts Commission, the Mayor agreed that this was the most appropriate location for the bell.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION / FOLLOW-UP

Mayor Hunter marked the location with spray paint and staff will contact Public Works to confirm the location. Delivery of the bell will be by the end of July.