

**Bellingham Arts Commission (BAC) Minutes**  
**June 7, 2011, 6:00 PM**  
**Mayor's Board Room**

**Commission Members Present:** Alex Wiley, Christopher Morrison, Jeni Cottrell, AnMorgan Curry, Shirley Erickson, Marisa Papetti, Trish Harding, Denise Snyder

**Commission Members Absent:**

**Staff Members Present:** Shannon Taysi, PCDD

**1. Call to Order**

Arts Commission meeting was called to order by Alex Wiley, Chair

**2. Introductions and Public Comment**

There were no public Comments.

**3. Presentations**

There were no presentations.

**4. Arts Commission Business**

**Parks Board Update**

Dominique announced that she will no longer be the Parks Board liaison. Diane Blake is her replacement.

At their previous Parks Board Meeting they discussed the possibility of allowing alcohol in parks for specific events. This is a sensitive subject matter and is just in the discussion phase.

**Approval of April 5, 2011 and the May 3, 2011 BAC meeting minutes**

*Shirley Erickson moved and Marisa Papetti seconded the approval of the April 5, 2011 meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried unanimously.*

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## **New Member Interview**

The membership subcommittee met and interviewed an applicant. After careful consideration and review of her skill set they are not recommending her appointment to the BAC at this time.

***Christopher Morrison moved and Shirley Erickson seconded the recommendation to not appoint the applicant. All in favor, motion carried unanimously.***

## **Develop strategic action plan for identified sculptures from May 3, 2011 meeting**

After further discussion, the Commission realized there is more background work that needs to be completed prior to a strategic plan being developed. It was discussed to pursue the following first:

- Verify the rights of the artist and the rights of the City in regards to moving or removing artwork
- Confirm which sculptures have a contract on file with the City or identify if the artist has a contract which the City does not have a record of
- Complete comprehensive contact information for all the artists or identify artists representatives for each sculpture in the collection.

The Commission discussed several items they would like to work on over the course of the next few months. They are as follows:

- Get clear direction from legal on artist rights/ City rights as it relates to the relocating or selling of artwork
- Identify copyright laws and rules. Can the BAC reproduce images of the permanent collection and have the museum sell? How could money come back to BAC?
- Get clarification on establishing a 501c3 and determine if there are any restrictions
- Establish a 2 dimensional show in the lobby of City Hall
- Continuation of the City Hall Sculpture Show

## **Meeting Adjourned**