

THE DENMAN FIRESTARTER

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The Local Trust Committee directs staff to add planning commission recommendations to a housing bylaw

draft and send it for early agency referrals.

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Staff is directed to incorporate Advisory Planning Commission resolutions into the draft bylaw regarding housing and send the amended draft out for early agency referrals. The motion passes, with Trustee Laura Busheikin opposed.¹

The committee considers recommendations on secondary suites and secondary dwelling units from the February 11 Advisory Planning Commission meeting. The recommendations include support for Temporary Use Permits for secondary dwelling units and permitting a secondary dwelling on any R2 property regardless of lot size.¹

Trustees debate a recommendation to increase the permitted floor area for a

secondary dwelling unit from 90 to 140 square metres. Trustee Busheikin says she is not comfortable with the increase and suggests 110 square metres; Trustee David Graham supports taking the planning commission’s recommendation to the community for feedback.¹

The committee also discusses requirements related to septic capability, subdivision, Vancouver Island Health Authority requirements and the absence of building inspections.¹

DENMAN FIRE RESCUE

Emergencies: **911**. Denman Island Fire Rescue is a volunteer department. This space is theirs in every edition, free, and is not for sale. Burning restrictions change through the season. Check before you light anything — including this newspaper.

Sources

Every claim in this edition is cited. Full documents, and the checks each source passed, are at denmanisland.co/news — or ask us and we will post you a copy.

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- 1. Denman Island Local Trust Committee Minutes — February 25, 2014 — “that the Denman Island Local Trust Committee direct staff to incorporate Advisory Planning Commission resolutions DEAPC-01-2014 and DEAPC-02-2014 from the Advisory Planning Commission meeting of February 11, 2014 into the draft bylaw regarding housing and send the amended draft bylaw out for early agency referrals.”

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