

THE DENMAN FIRESTARTER

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GOVERNANCE

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REPORT — FACTS AND CITATIONS ONLY

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The Denman Island Local Trust Committee asks staff to prepare a draft bylaw for Temporary Use Permits for short-term vacation rentals and places the matter on its top priorities list.¹ The committee also asks bylaw enforcement staff to attend its next meeting to discuss enforcement of short-term vacation rentals.¹

The decisions follow presentations about an enforcement letter concerning unlawful guest accommodation and concerns about short-term vacation rentals.¹ Trustee David Critchley says approximately twenty-six business operators on Denman Island received letters from Islands Trust Bylaw Enforcement after investigations into online advertising on sites such as Airbnb.¹

The minutes say the committee’s initiative responds to concerns from local residents and aims to ensure compliance with existing bylaws and give people time and support to do so.¹ Trustee Laura Busheikin says it is not possible to rent a whole house for short-term rentals under the Official Community Plan and Land Use Bylaws.¹

The committee also directs staff to prioritize affordable housing project applications and asks staff to prepare a timeline for processing the Denman Housing Association application, with suggestions for reducing the time involved.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

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- 1. Denman Island Local Trust Committee Minutes — October 9, 2018 — “DE-2018-094 It was MOVED and SECONDED, that the Denman Island Local Trust Committee request staff to prepare a draft bylaw for the issuance of Temporary Use Permits for short-term vacation rentals and that the matter be placed on the top priorities list. CARRIED DE-2018-095 It was MOVED and SECONDED, that the bylaw enforcement staff be requested to attend the next Denman Island Local Trust Committee meeting to discuss bylaw enforcement of short-term vacation rentals. CARRIED”

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