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THE ISLAND

Denman housing project advances through Trust committee steps

The Local Trust Committee requested further work on water, wastewater and rezoning information for a proposed seniors affordable housing project.

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The Denman Island Local Trust Committee requested staff to develop draft terms of reference for information about the proposed seniors affordable housing project’s water supply and sewage disposal systems and their potential effects on local groundwater.¹

The committee also asked staff to contact the Vancouver Island Health Authority about concerns with wastewater-treatment

recommendations and to compile information needed for draft rezoning bylaws.¹

At the November meeting, Denman Community Land Trust Association applicant Harlene Holm raised concerns that freshwater availability and sewage-disposal issues could delay the volunteer-driven project.¹

The committee’s minutes record requests for further information and draft bylaws; they do not record approval of a rezoning.¹

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Letters disagree over shellfish aquaculture and beach access

Two accounts in the Local Trust Committee minutes presented different views on proposed rules for aquaculture-related beach driving and enforcement.

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At the October 3 Local Trust Committee meeting, speakers expressed opposing views about proposed Bylaw No. 225 and shellfish aquaculture.¹

One member of the public said an information note in the draft bylaw already made clear that tenure holders were excluded from the regulation, and raised concerns about industry regulators’ ecosystem management, monitoring and enforcement.¹

A speaker for the Denman Island Residents Association Marine Guardians Committee urged the committee to proceed with second reading and adoption. She said shellfish growers had been consulted, enforcement officers could inspect tenures without driving on the beach, and serious harm to fish or fish habitat was occurring.¹

The minutes record both speakers’ statements; they do not establish the claims as findings.¹

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Denman Works seeks board members

Denman Works! Society says it needs more directors to continue its community programs and services.

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Denman Works! Society is seeking additional board members, according to a notice in this week’s Islands Grapevine.¹

The notice describes the society’s work as supporting Denman’s economic and social health and lists programs including educational opportunities, community project grants, a job board, skills services and community event information.¹

CATCHWINDOW

The week on the water, for this island.

Forecast on record for this week. Later weather is not in this box.

Thu 2018-01-04: Freezing drizzle; 0°C / -6°C; wind NNE 7 kn; daylight 08:16–16:33; moon Waning Gibbous, 95% lit; low water 12:36 AM (0.6 m), high water 8:07 AM (5.1 m), low water 1:38 PM (3.3 m), high water 6:22 PM (4.3 m).



<https://catchwindow.com/canada/british-columbia/denman-island/week/2018-01-04>

	Thu 04	Fri 05	Sat 06	Sun 07	Mon 08	Tue 09	Wed 10
Sky	Freezing drizzle	Freezing rain	Light drizzle	Drizzle	Light drizzle	Light drizzle	Overcast
High	0°C	6°C	6°C	7°C	7°C	6°C	5°C
Low	-6°C	-1°C	1°C	3°C	2°C	0°C	-2°C
Wind	NNE 7 kn	NE 10 kn	N 5 kn	SE 17 kn	E 15 kn	E 10 kn	NW 4 kn
Daylight	08:16–16:33	08:16–16:34	08:16–16:35	08:15–16:36	08:15–16:37	08:15–16:39	08:14–16:40
Moon	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Last Quarter	Waning Crescent

Open-Meteo historical forecast. Tides: Canadian Hydrographic Service.

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, November 14, 2017 — “request planning staff to develop, in consultation with the Islands Trust Freshwater Specialist and applicant for DE-RZ-2017.1, a draft terms of reference”

Letters disagree over shellfish aquaculture and beach access

- 1. Denman Island Local Trust Committee minutes, October 3, 2017 — “A member of the public did not support the staff recommendation to refer proposed Bylaw No. 225”

Denman Works seeks board members

- 1. The Islands Grapevine, January 4, 2018 — “To continue to provide these services we need more board members on our board of directors.”

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