

THE DENMAN FIRESTARTER

Back issue, The Denman Firestarter did not exist on 2023-06-01. This edition was compiled on 2026-10-01 from the public record as it stood on 2023-06-01, and contains nothing dated after that day — no outcomes, no hindsight. It is a reconstruction of what was on the record at the time, not a document from the time.

THE ISLAND

Denman housing commission appointed as Trust rejects expedited grant bid

The Local Trust Committee appointed seven members to its Housing Advisory Planning Commission and did not support an expedited funding application process.

REPORT — FACTS AND CITATIONS ONLY

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The Denman Island Local Trust Committee appointed seven members to the Housing Advisory Planning Commission for a term ending April 25, 2025, according to minutes of its April 25 special meeting.¹

The committee discussed requirements for a Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation grant application, including a housing action plan, commission review, business case and community

consultation. The minutes record concern about the short timeline and say the expedited process was not supported because of the need for thorough consultation and careful consideration.¹

The committee said it was beginning a Housing Review Project to examine bylaws and housing options, and that completing the review would position the committee and community to participate in future grant opportunities.¹

The committee asked staff to provide commission members with the Official Community Plan, Land Use Bylaw and Housing Review. It also asked staff to provide hard copies of the island’s Official Community Plan and Land Use Bylaws to the local trustees.¹

THE ISLAND

Denman letters dispute proposed bylaw enforcement changes

Letters and public comments raised opposing concerns about enforcement and housing rules, while the committee minutes record a request for further review.

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A disagreement over proposed changes to the Bylaw Enforcement Notification bylaw surfaced in Denman Island public comments and letters in the June 1 issue of The Islands Grapevine.¹

In comments recorded at its April 4 meeting, the Local Trust Committee said a member of the public objected that the system could enforce housing regulations under review and might contravene the human right to adequate housing. The Denman Island Housing Action Group asked the committee to refer the proposed amendments to its Housing Advisory Planning Commission.²

The minutes also record Laura Thomson objecting to bylaw enforcement staff imposing fines when access without notice is refused. She asked the committee not to grant enforcement staff more power or introduce additional fines.²

The April 25 special-meeting minutes say the committee appointed members to the Housing Advisory Planning Commission and anticipated a staff report on a forthcoming referral at its next meeting. They do not record a decision on the proposed enforcement amendments.³

CATCHWINDOW

The week on the water, for this island.

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

Thu 2023-06-01: Clear; 22°C / 7°C; wind NE 5 kn; daylight 05:19–21:17; moon Waxing Gibbous, 88% lit; high water 3:19 AM (4.5 m), low water 10:37 AM (1 m), high water 5:36 PM (4 m), low water 10:22 PM (3.2 m).



<https://catchwindow.com/canada/british-columbia/denman-island/week/2023-06-01>

	Thu 01	Fri 02	Sat 03	Sun 04	Mon 05	Tue 06	Wed 07
Sky	Clear	Overcast	Overcast	Mainly clear	Mainly clear	Clear	Clear
High	22°C	22°C	23°C	21°C	23°C	29°C	29°C
Low	7°C	9°C	9°C	6°C	6°C	8°C	8°C
Wind	NE 5 kn	SE 8 kn	ESE 8 kn	NNE 10 kn	N 11 kn	NNW 5 kn	NE 5 kn
Daylight	05:19–21:17	05:18–21:18	05:18–21:19	05:17–21:20	05:16–21:21	05:16–21:22	05:15–21:22
Moon	Waxing Gibbous	Waxing Gibbous	Waxing Gibbous	Full Moon	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous

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 LTC Special Meeting Minutes — 2023-04-25 — “The expedited application process was not supported as the need for adequate, thorough community and HAPC consultation”

Denman letters dispute proposed bylaw enforcement changes

- 1. The Islands Grapevine, June 1, 2023 — “THE ISLANDS Grapevine”
- 2. Denman LTC Regular Meeting Minutes — 2023-04-04 — “The Denman Island Housing Action Group requested that the LTC refer the proposed amendments to the BEN Bylaw to the Housing Advisory Planning Commission (HAPC) for consideration and discussion.”
- 3. Denman LTC Special Meeting Minutes — 2023-04-25 — “It is anticipated that a staff report on the forthcoming HAPC referral will be presented to the LTC for review at the next LTC meeting.”

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