

Trustees spoke to neighbours, there was no interest in generally rezoning the area to Industrial and the community expressed support for site specific rezoning on an application-by-application basis for the area.

Julia Nichols thanked the Local Trust Committee for hosting a town hall and:

- Expressed concerns regarding the structure of the Islands Trust including that the various levels of government is confusing and the Local Trust Committee does not having jurisdiction to enforce regulations
- Expressed concerns regarding tree cutting within Development Permit Areas
- Spoke to an issue where a property owner is not getting quotes for remediation and suggested the Local Trust Committee should get the quotes for remediation
- Expressed support for the Raptor Nest Development Permit Area Review Project
- Expressed support for enforcement of Short Term Vacation Rental's to increase long-term rental housing
- Encouraged the Local Trust Committee to look after North Pender Island and use every tool in the Islands Trust toolkit

## 7. COMMUNITY INFORMATION MEETING

### 7.1 Fire Management Planning

Pender Island Fire Rescue Fire Chief Mike Dine spoke to wildfire risk and highlighted:

- The value of community firewatchers, early detection of fires, response times and water supply
- Magic Lake area has a fire hall, water storage and hydrants for fire suppression
- Trincomali area has hydrants for fire suppression
- Development requirements for water storage for fire suppression have not been enforced on Pender Island
- Pender Island Fire Rescue has mapped all water sources for fire suppression on Pender Island, identified priority water supply areas although there are issues with accessibility
- Requested the Local Trust Committee to assist with permission to access water supply sources and water supply regulations for rural properties that are not serviced by community hydrants
- Fire prevention inspections save lives
- Expressed concerns regarding illegal housing fire safety issues
- Expressed support for fire inspection regulations for Short Term Vacation Rentals
- Spoke to Fire Smart landscaping and noted Pender Island Fire Rescue provides Fire Smart property assessments

Trustee Morrison reported there is funding available for climate action planning and the Local Trust Committee could assist with the funding request. Trustee Morrison expressed support for Local Trust Committee public education materials such as a brochure on water supply for fire suppression.

There was a question regarding cisterns for fire suppression. Fire Chief Dine reported water storage for fire suppression needs to be accessible and should not be close to the house.

**NP-2024-030**

**It was Moved and Seconded,**

that North Pender Island Local Trust Committee directs staff to proceed with application NP-RZ- 2024.1 (Grimmer) and to prepare draft bylaws.

**CARRIED**

**14. LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE PROJECTS**

**14.1 Raptor Nest Mapping Development Permit Area Project - Staff Report**

Island Planner Smith presented a staff report regarding the Raptor Nest Development Permit Area Review Project including preliminary data reporting and analysis. Caurinus Environmental Dan Baxter advised there may be an additional blue heron nest site to add to the map. Island Planner Smith advised additional nest sites could be added to the map.

**NP-2024-031**

**It was Moved and Seconded,**

that North Pender Island Local Trust Committee direct staff to prepare a draft bylaw to update Schedule O of the North Pender Island Official Community Plan No. 171, 2007 and associated Development Permit Area 7 guidelines consistent with the professional report submitted by Caurinus Environmental dated March 2024.

**CARRIED**

**NP-2024-032**

**It was Moved and Seconded,**

that North Pender Island Local Trust Committee direct staff to conduct early engagement with property owners by sending an information letter regarding the project to all registered property owners of land parcels that contain either existing or newly proposed Development Permit Area 7 raptor nest sites.

**CARRIED**

**14.2 Housing Access and Affordability Project - Staff Report**

Island Planner Smith presented a staff report regarding the Housing Access and Affordability Project.

**NP-2024-033**

**It was Moved and Seconded,**

that North Pender Island Local Trust Committee request staff to report back with a Project Charter and Work Plan, Community and First Nations Engagement Plan, and a draft discussion paper for the North Pender Island Housing Access and Affordability Project.

**CARRIED**