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Scarborough Council refuses to revisit land swap

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The Scarborough Town Council voted 5-2 on Wednesday against reconsidering a controversial two hours of impassioned pleas from residents asking councilors to look again at the issue.

The council approved the land exchange on July 15. Under the agreement, the owners of the Lig Truman, will get a paved section of Depot Street which runs in front of their 22-unit inn/condon Truman's current parking strip, about 22 feet in length. The town could use the strip to create a p on the sides of the road.

The council's decision Wednesday was made in a matter of minutes with no council discussion. of them from Pine Point, pleaded with councilors to either overturn their July 15 decision or del

Among residents' concerns is the loss of historic Depot Street in the swap. Residents contended state may actually retain the title to the street. They also argued the swap goes against the town's result in a loss of water views and restrict public access.

But Town Council Chairman Michael Wood said after the meeting that the swap has been review said it will be a boon for the town, allowing it to add another piece of adjacent town land to the area where the public can access the dunes safely, away from traffic.

The next step is to create a town committee to come up with a plan for the design of that new to residents are invited to join that committee, he said.

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