

FRIENDS OF THE ROSSLAND RANGE SOCIETY  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, NOVEMBER 19, 2009

SPECIAL RESOLUTION

RESOLVED that Section 2 of the Society's Constitution be deleted in its entirety, and replaced by the following:

2. The purposes of the Society are:

- a) To increase public awareness of the importance of natural values, including recreational, scenic and environmental values, to the people and communities touched by the Rossland Range;
- b) To increase public awareness of the cultural and historic values that make the Rossland Range and its communities unique;
- c) To work with all stakeholders for responsible use of the Rossland Range, and particularly for use that is appropriate to its site, that respects conservation values and the needs and sensitivities of other users, and that provides appropriate integration or separation of uses;
- d) To work with stakeholders and governments to preserve important natural, recreational, cultural, historic and economic values in the Rossland Range;
- e) To act as a catalyst, and where feasible as a facilitator, for the creation of appropriate plans and other official instruments (e.g. bylaws, regulations, tenures) to give formal recognition of, and security for, natural, recreational, cultural, historic and economic values in the Rossland Range;
- f) To enter into agreements, hold tenures, and undertake any other activities to further the Society's purposes as set out above.

DISCUSSION:

The proposed changes to Section 2 are intended to align the Society's stated purposes more accurately with our intention to be inclusive of all those concerned with the diverse values and uses in the Rossland Range. The changes are also intended to provide better clarity about the range of actual activities the Society might undertake. For instance, the new wording would be a valuable tool in our discussions with governments about the creation of a recreation plan for the Rossland Range and about special zoning, tenure, or other protected status for the Range's critical core areas.

Changes to the Constitution must be made by Special Resolution. A Special Resolution

cannot be revised at the Annual General Meeting. However, the Directors have considered the proposed new Section 2 in depth, and are satisfied that it meets the objectives and needs expressed by the membership in previous meetings.

Section 2 presently reads:

*The purposes of the society are:*

- (a) To educate people within our region about the economic and health benefits of retaining natural areas with their ecosystems intact;*
- (b) To advocate for non-motorized recreational use (both public and commercial) and protection of the natural attributes and wildlife of the Rossland Range and the surrounding region;*
- (c) To influence land use policy in this area for the benefit of the community;*
- (d) To carry on any activity that advances the purposes stated above.*