

**Friends of the Rossland Range    BOARD MEETING    Thursday Dec. 7th, 2017**  
**Rossland Library 5:00pm                      MINUTES**

Present: Les Carter\*, Kim Deane\*, Demitri Lesniewicz\*, Don Liszt, Laura Mackay\*, Rob Richardson\*,  
Dave Watson & Bob McQueen                      \*Director

- 1) AGM: Wednesday evening 7 pm Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 at United Church Hall (Seven Summits School). was held successfully. 5 incumbent directors re-elected: Colin Adamson, Les Carter, Kim Deane, Gerry Heacock & Stewart Spooner.
- 2) Commercial winter tours to cabins in the Rec Site – request to RS&T BC who, in turn are seeking input from FoRRS. Discussion strongly favoured applying the policy finalized by FoRRS last spring (2017) – “Try it – if it doesn’t work, then revise, but only after more experience is gained.” LC to communicate this to RS&T BC.
- 3) FoRRS financial situation following completion of major 3-year development projects at end of 2017.  
Discussion regarding how annual operating funds might be raised – in the order of \$10,000 per year is anticipated (ploughing, roadside brushing, administration, etc.). RS&T BC will probably provide \$3 to \$5,000 annually. Online ‘Crowd-Source’ fund-raising suggested as an option. Other ideas sought.
- 4) Snow Host Program: Rob reported it is being set up for this winter. All in order.
- 5) C150 Project – approximately \$15,000 remaining to be spent and claimed (1/2 to be re-bated to FoRRS) by March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 (cheques cashed). Approximately ½ committed. Ideas discussed.
- 6) Signs: Rob reported on the 3 new trail-head kiosks installed off Hwy 3B at Crowe Rd, Main North and Murphy Creek with large ‘North’ map-signs at Crowe and Main North.  
Kim presented a sketch map sign (to be plasticized) for the Lepsoe Base area – Alzheimer’s, Pit, etc. - for trial at about 5 sites.  
Multiple other signs in progress: routes to Chimo, Chilcootin, Northern Lights, ‘To Parking Lots’, etc.
- 7) Standard (formal) signs in each new cabin proposed and agreed to: name, date, crew, etc. Dave Watson advised there is one in Lepsoe Basin Cabin.
- 8) Parking Lot ploughing: Rod Newton is doing it this winter. Cost forecast to be in the \$3 to \$4,000 range which is acceptable for this initial year. New parking lot is well received and well-used.
- 9) Eagle’s Nest Cabin replacement approved by RS&T BC as a 10<sup>th</sup> authorized cabin. Rob to lead construction during 2018.
- 10) BCTimber Sales responded to concerns about Hanna Creek logging having left high stumps and ‘shattered appearance’ by hiring fallers over one week (working in 40cm of snow!) to cut down stumps in most critical (for down-skiing) and visible areas. Their prompt response is appreciated.

**Next Meeting - Open to all:    Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Following meeting:    Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018**