REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY
ELECTORAL AREA ‘E’ ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION
MINUTES

Date: January 25, 2018  
Time: 5:30 pm to 9:00 pm  
Location: RDCK Nelson Office,  
Address: 202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson BC

MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Beerbower  Chair  
Bruce Lane  Vice-Chair  
Tracey Fellowes  Secretary  
John Doyle  Member  
Ramona Faust  RDCK Area ‘E’ Director

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Allison Edgar  Member

STAFF

No Staff were present

GUESTS

No Guests were present

1. CALL TO ORDER

Director Faust called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm and ran Board Elections for Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary for 2018.

2. SELECTION OF A CHAIR

Director Faust called 3 times for Nominations for Chair.  
John Beerbower was nominated and elected Chair.

Moved by Bruce Lane, seconded by John Doyle, and resolved that The Chair of the Electoral Area ‘E’ Advisory Planning Commission for the calendar year 2018 be John Beerbower.
3. **SELECTION OF A VICE CHAIR**

Director Faust called 3 times for Vice Chair. Bruce Lane was nominated and elected Vice-Chair.

Moved by John Doyle, seconded by John Beerbower, and resolved that The Vice-Chair of the Electoral Area ‘E’ Advisory Planning Commission for the calendar year 2018 be Bruce Lane.

4. **SELECTION OF A SECRETARY**

Director Faust called 3 times for Secretary. Tracey Fellowes was nominated and elected.

Moved by Bruce Lane, seconded by John Doyle and resolved that The Secretary of the Electoral Area ‘E’ Advisory Planning Commission for the calendar year 2018 be Tracey Fellowes.

5. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Agenda as posted was amended to add:
- a) Election of officers – Chair, Vice-Chair & Secretary,
- b) Community Concerns re Private Lands added as a regular item

Agenda with amendments was adopted.
Moved by John Doyle, seconded by Bruce Lane

6. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The last regular meeting was held 19 January 2017 and minutes certified by the Chair and Secretary were submitted to Staff

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

7. **AGENDA ITEM: Floodplain and Development permit application - Planning File #F1702E, Ovens.**

Discussion – the commission will invite the proponent to a meeting prior Feb 11 2018 to discuss the application. Proposed date of Feb 8, 2018.

8. **AGENDA ITEM – Accretion Application – Lilburn – information received application for Accretion, comments closed Dec 23, 2018. The response provided**
Recommendation 1. The Commission would like the standard response for Accretion Application in Area E be revised and the APC will provide a draft for the Director’s consideration.


Question to staff: when referrals received for ALC exemptions could we be apprised of any outstanding building permit violations or existing concerns on the subject property.

10. AGENDA ITEM: Sandy Creek – Prize Mining – water Users notification. Not all water users were notified of prize mining activity.

Recommendation 2. Request that Prize Mining be more transparent regarding proposed activities in the within Area E of the RDCK and work with the RDCK to establish a meaningful public process.

i. APC receive information from the fair mining collective on the “community toolkit”

ii. Note: Communication with Michelle Mungall on mining related activities from the APC – develop contact.

iii. Director will contact Renee Ansell to determine if any action was taken on this file by interior health.

Recommendation 3.
Request the Ministry of Mines Document the course of activities that led to the discord in the community related to Prize mining activity in the Sandy Creek watershed, including the failure to identify and consult with a significant number of water users prior to commencement of works:

a) Can the RDCK outline the events that took place after they received the referral?

b) What is the date of approval of this exploration activity?

c) APC to seek representation from Blewett.

11. AGENDA ITEM: Laird Creek Development Activities

Recommendation 4: Members of the Area ‘E’ APC are in receipt of the Cooper Creek Cedar proposed 2018 -2019 Laird Creek FDU Logging/Road Construction Schedule. Given the 2018/2019 schedule of forest development activities in the Laird Creek and Balfour face area, the Area ‘E’ APC want to identify the
opportunity for interface fuel remediation prescriptions in blocks identified in the community wildfire protection plan in that area.

12. AGENDA ITEM. Redfish Creek Development Activities—

Members of the APC received update on continuing development activities on Redfish Creek. Water users would consider making a presentation to the RDCK, together with some local professionals and/or other community groups working toward a more conservative timber development regime for the region.

The Director will reach out to explain how to become a delegation to the RDCK.

13. AGENDA ITEMS TABLED:

Tabled: we are referring these items to the proposed meeting on Feb 8
a) Community Concerns for private lands proposed Feb 8 meeting
b) Ovens application
c) Managing community impacts of marijuana operations.

14. NEXT MEETING: Feb 8, 2018. 5:30 pm RDCK.

15. ADJOURNEMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm

RECOMMENDATIONS:

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OTHER:

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