

My name is Eric Moeller I am a candidate for the RND in the upcoming election.

Gabriola Island comprises about 5% of the total RDN region, and is about 3% of the total population in the RDN. There are 17 seats on the RDN Board. Gabriola gets one vote.

I came to Gabriola some 20 years, been a landowner for 15, and permanent full time resident for over 10 years. I have volunteered on Lands and Trails initiative; I spent 3 years as a director on the Board of Mid Island Co-op. I am a licensed Marriage Commissioner for over 5 years, met a lot of local people, and promoted Gabriola to off-islanders who choose to be married here. Weddings bring in a lot of money and employment to island services.

I ran for RDN in the past. I also ran for Islands Trust in the past. Local politics and well being of Gabriola Island is a long time passion of mine. Participation in elections and campaigning gains insight on local and regional politics. I am also on the Gabriola Ferry Advisory Committee for the past 6 years.

I support the local work of the Gabriola Land and Trails Trust (GaLTT), the Gabriola Land Conservancy, and continuation of parks and trails development. I also support providing bicycle lanes on the island.

I support the RDN 'Drinking Water Protection Action Plan' to provide information on what happens to underground water flows on Gabriola. I want the RDN to continue rebates for water cisterns (Rainwater Harvesting). I would like to see the program expanded to include all of the Regional District.

I support sustainable and economic alternative energy development. 'Rebate' programs have a positive effect on conservation efforts, and seem to create employment as a result of expenditures on eco-improvements.

'Gabriola has issues with noise, land density transfers, and bulk water sales that likely will require RDN involvement.

Decisions need to be made having regard for 'appropriate development', and weighing of facts and impacts in making decisions.

I am committing to acting in the best interests of the electorate. The public needs to be kept informed of events at the early stages of any process.

I was educated through Southern Alberta Institute of Technology, Graduate of Mount Royal College (Environmental Sciences), University of Calgary; my work history is 21 years service at the ERCB – a provincial regulatory agency, and 15 years as a Regulatory Affairs Consultant. I specialize in regulatory affairs, communications conflict resolution, technical and environmental engineering, and public hearings. I was a director of the Canadian Gas Processors Association (CGPA) for 3 years; Chairman, of Canadian Gas Processors Suppliers Association (CGPSA) 'Award of Innovative Excellence'; Co-chair of CGPA/CGPSA technical conferences; and author and publisher of 10 Publications/Articles/papers on the energy sector; My Professional Appointments were - CGPA - Executive Advisory Group for Strategic Planning – 1992/1993; Chairman, Canadian Gas Processors Suppliers - Award of Innovative Excellence – 1991; Chairman, CGPA – CIM (Canadian Institute Of Mining) Technical Conference, 1988); Executive Director – CGPA, 1988; Publicity Director – CGPA, 1987; Registration Directory – CGPA, 1986.