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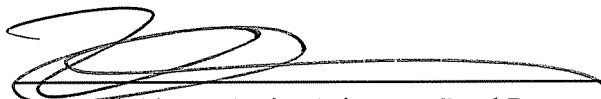


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Chebucto Community Council
February 6, 2006

TO: Chairperson and Members of Chebucto Community Council

SUBMITTED BY:


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DATE: January 30, 2006

SUBJECT: **Information Report - Renaming Parkland at Parkland Drive and Langbrae Drive in Honour of Year of the Veteran**

ORIGIN

Community Council has requested staff provide a report on naming the reclaimed parkland at the corner of Parkland Drive and Langbrae Drive as "Veterans Memorial Park" in honour of Year of the Veteran.

BACKGROUND

The reclaimed parkland located at Parkland Drive and Langbrae Drive lies at the corner of Belchers Marsh Park in Clayton Park West. In 2003 Chebucto Community Council approved the name Belchers Marsh for the entire park area in response to community support. MLA Diana Whalen submitted a letter to Council on September 12, 2005 requesting that Council consider renaming the corner parkland of Belchers Marsh to "Veterans Memorial Park".

In practise, Halifax Regional Municipality supports commemorating and recognizing the contributions of groups such as veterans.

DISCUSSION

Several factors should be considered when renaming a park including characteristics of the parkland. The corner in question is currently not a physically appropriate or accessible area. The parkland as part of Belcher Marsh Park, which is the official name of the park and waterbody. Community Council had approved the names May 3, 2004. It would therefore be inappropriate to change the name.

There may be another appropriate location to create a Veteran's Memorial Park however Council should be aware that Veteran's Memorial has been used for a number of other pieces of infrastructure including highways, roadways and public buildings and therefore should consider an alternative name when commemorating the contribution of veterans so as not to cause confusion for emergency response.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

There are no budget implications associated with this report.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN

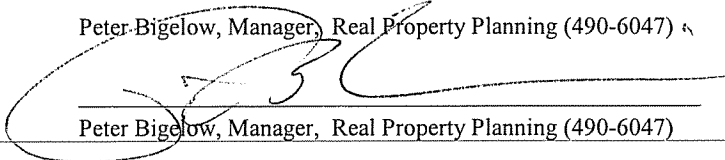
This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A Map of area

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