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Halifax Regional Council
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TO: Mayor Savage and Members of Halifax Regional Council

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DATE: July 5, 2013

SUBJECT: HRM Asset Names

ORIGIN

Receipt of 46 asset naming requests for the period of August 14, 2012 to April 5, 2013.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Administrative Order Number 46, Respecting HRM Asset Naming Policies

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Halifax Regional Council approve:

1. The addition of the commemorative names identified in Attachment A to the existing Commemorative Names List;
2. The naming of a new park to Grassy Brook Park (Attachment B), located at 112 Hector Gate, Dartmouth;
3. The administrative park names as outlined in Attachment C;
4. The renaming of Willett Street Reserve, to Mary Clayton Memorial Park (Attachment D) located on Willett St, Halifax;

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5. The renaming of the Rosebank Ave Parkette to Catherine MacLean Sullivan Park (Attachment E) located at 1740 Rosebank Ave, Halifax;
6. The renaming of Ashford Close Park, to Audreys Park (Attachment F) located at 65 Ashford Close, Upper Tantallon;
7. The renaming of Montebello Park to PO2 Craig Blake Memorial Park (Attachment G) located at 110 Appian Way, Dartmouth;
8. The renaming of Five Island Lake Rd Park, to Five Island Lake Park (Attachment H) located at 127 Five Island Rd, Hubley;
9. The renaming of Fort Needham Sports Field to J Eric Davidson Sports Field (Attachment I) located at 3255 Needham St, Halifax;
10. The renaming of the Ferry Terminal Park Playground to Kiwanis Playground (Attachment J) located at 94 Alderney Dr, Dartmouth;
11. The naming of the trail within Bissett Lake Park, Cole Harbour, to Bissett Trail (Attachment K); and
12. The naming of the trail around First Lake Regional Park, Lower Sackville, to Glen Slauenwhite Trail (Attachment L).

BACKGROUND

The HRM Asset Naming Administrative Order (A.O.) allows any person or group to apply for a commemorative name for HRM assets, particularly streets, parks or buildings. The A.O. requires the Civic Addressing Co-coordinator to consult with at least one representative from each asset category, the municipal archivist, and a representative from HRM Cultural Affairs on each application. This group forms the HRM Asset Naming Committee. The Committee also consults with the local Councillor(s) for each application. This report outlines the third list of recommended names since the adoption of the policies in 2010.

Requests

The Asset Naming Committee has received 46 requests for the period of August 14, 2012 to April 5, 2013, as outlined below:

- a) 23 names to be added to the commemorative names list;
- b) 13 administrative park names;
- c) 5 requests to rename parks;
- d) 2 requests to rename park features;
- e) 2 new trail naming requests; and
- f) 1 request to commemoratively name a new park.

DISCUSSION

The Asset Naming Committee has recommended that Regional Council approve all 46 requests as outlined below:

Commemorative Names List:

Commemorative names recognize individual persons, groups of people and geographic features. The Asset Name criteria states that individuals who have demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada may be recognized. HRM received 23 applications for commemorative names as listed below:

Great Beech Hill Edith Archibald (HRM) Carrie Best (PROV) Helen Creighton (HRM) Agnes Dennis (HRM) Viola Desmond (HRM) Elizabeth Doane (PROV) Bessie Egan (HRM) Shirley Elliott (HRM)	Rose Fortune (PROV) Major Margaret C. MacDonald (HRM) Kate Mackintosh (HRM) Theresa McNeil (PROV) Aileen Meagher (HRM) Margaret Meagher (HRM) Dr. Marial T. Mosher (HRM) Pearleen Oliver (HRM)	Mona Parsons (PROV) Gladys Porter (PROV) Eliza Ritchie (HRM) Marie Marguerite Rose (PROV) Granny Ross (aka Marie-Henriette LeJeune-Ross) (PROV) Margaret Marshall Saunders (HRM)
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All of the names meet the criteria of the HRM Asset Naming Policies. Therefore, the Asset Naming Committee recommends that all 23 applications, as outlined in Attachment A, be approved and added to the commemorative name list.

Commemorative Park Names:

HRM has received one request to commemoratively name a park. A new park has been obtained through the subdivision process at 112 Hector Gate, Dartmouth (Dartmouth Crossing). The requested name, Grassy Brook Park, recognizes a geographical feature in the area, as outlined in Attachment B, and is recommended by staff. This brook name is officially recognized by the Province of Nova Scotia.

Administrative Park Names:

Administrative Park names reflect either the neighbourhood, subdivision, street or community name within which a park is located. Staff is recommending approval of the 13 requests for administrative names within 10 different communities, as outlined below:

Cole Harbour: Astral Drive Neighbourhood Park
Waverley: Beechcrest Drive Park
Middle Sackville: Darlington Dr Park
Eastern Passage: Keyport Ave Park
Hammonds Plains: Sandy Run Park
Brookside: Starflower Way Community Park
Hammonds Plains: Bonsai Drive Community Park

Dartmouth: Basswood Run Park
Lower Sackville: Stokil Drive Park
Timberlea: Goldeneye Drive Park
Halifax: Governors Brook District Park
Halifax: Larry Uteck Blvd Community Park
Halifax: Oakland Road Park

Attachment C identifies the requested Administrative Names and the location of the various parks.

Administrative Park Renaming Requests:

The Asset Naming Committee is recommending approval of 5 requests to rename administratively named parks within HRM as follows:

- a) *Halifax:*
 - Willett Street Reserve, located on Willett Street near Lacewood Dr, to Mary Clayton Memorial Park (Attachment D); and
 - Rosebank Ave Parkette to Catherine MacLean Sullivan Park (Attachment E).
- b) *Upper Tantallon:* Ashford Close Park in Upper Tantallon to Audreys Park, in memory of Audrey Anne Rose Purcell (Attachment F).
- c) *Dartmouth:* Montebello Park in Dartmouth to PO2 Craig Blake Memorial Park after a fallen Canadian Soldier in Afghanistan (Attachment G). Many letters of support have been received in support of the Montebello Park renaming request, including a petition signed by local residents.
- d) *Hubley:* Five Island Lake Road Park in Hubley to Five Island Lake Park in order to reflect the name of the adjacent lake in lieu of the street (Attachment H).

Naming of Park Features:

The Committee recommends approval of 2 requests to rename park features within Fort Needham Park and Ferry Terminal Park as follows:

- a) *Fort Needham Park, Halifax:* renaming the sports field within the park to the J Eric Davidson Sports Field (Attachment I). This request was confirmed with the Fort Needham Park group; and
- b) *Ferry Terminal Park, Dartmouth:* renaming the Ferry Terminal Playground in the park to Kiwanis Playground (Attachment J).

Trail Naming Requests:

The Committee recommends approval of 2 requests to name trails within two existing parks as follows:

- a) *Bissett Lake Park, Cole Harbour* - name the trail within the park to the Bissett Trail (Attachment K); and
- b) *First Lake Regional Park, Sackville* - name the trail within the park, currently unofficially named the First Lake Glen Slauenwhite Trail, to Glen Slauenwhite Trail (Attachment L).

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are minimal costs associated with the administration of the Asset Naming policies. These costs can be accommodated within the existing 2013-2014 operating budget for C330-Civic Addressing. With regards to assigning the names, for the majority of cases they would be applied to new assets (streets, park and/or buildings) in which case, costs would either be covered by the subdivider (developer) or be included in the budget for capital projects to be approved by Regional Council.

With respect to the park renaming requests, as none of these parks have existing signage, there are no replacement costs at this time. Signage may be implemented in future as part of a park upgrade.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Any member of the community is welcome to submit applications for commemorative names for any community in HRM. Ongoing promotion of the Asset Naming Policies has included the creation of printed marketing material and engaging local interest groups, schools, universities and the Royal Canadian Legion.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no environmental implications associated with this report.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Regional Council could approve all of the requested names. This is the recommended alternative.
2. Regional Council could choose to not approve some, or all, of the requested names. This alternative is not recommended as the Asset Naming Committee has determined that each name meets the Council approved criteria outlined in HRM Asset Naming Policies.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A:	Commemorative Names List Biographies
Attachment B:	Grassy Brook Park
Attachment C:	Administrative Park Names
Attachment D:	Mary Clayton's Biography
Attachment E:	Catherine MacLean Sullivan Park
Attachment F:	Audrey Anne Rose Purcell's Biography
Attachment G:	PO2 Craig Blake Memorial Park
Attachment H:	Five Island Lake
Attachment I:	J. Eric Davidson's Biography
Attachment J:	Kiwanis Playground
Attachment K:	Bissett Trail

Attachment L: Glen Slauenwhite's Biography

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Attachment A – Commemorative Names List Biographies

1. Great Beech Hill

Request

- street

Geographic Location

- un-named road diversion off Cobequid Rd, Lower Sackville

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
- Requested name recognizes geographical or topographical features of the area
- Requested name reflects the history and/or culture of HRM's culturally diverse communities.

Description (provided by applicant)

This is a locally known geographic feature in the vicinity of the road diversion off the Cobequid Rd.

Great Beech Hill is referenced in the book "Historical Sackville" by Bob Harvey (see excerpt below).

"The so called "Great Beech Hill" is no less taxing on the skills of the modern traveler who attempt to cross it in a motor vehicle, particularly in winter. Once a regular stage coach service began in the second decade of the nineteenth century along the Cobequid Rd, maps of the time show a "diversion" to the north of the hill created especially for horse-drawn modes of travel. The height of Great Beech Hill which still affords the traveller such uplifting views, could have a practical use, as well. For years, until recently, the house on the highest point of the hill was occupied by the late Selina Clayton. Mrs. Clayton would watch for the train to Halifax from her window. As it reached Kinsac, she would walk down Beech Hill along the Cobequid Road to the crossing at Windsor Junction, where it would pick her up and take her to work and shopping in the city."

2. Edith Archibald

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Cow Bay area preferred)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the Halifax Regional Municipality, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
- Individual (s) who have an extraordinary community service record
- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Mrs. Archibald was born in 1854 and passed away in 1936. She was vice president of the NS Red Cross during WWI. She spent 18 years in Port Morien, Cape Breton, where she worked to improve the living conditions of the miners' families and to expand the educational opportunities available to girls in the district. For more than 30 years, she stood up for the right of women to vote in Nova Scotia, a goal that was finally achieved on April 26, 1918. She also worked tirelessly to improve health and education services as president of both the Maritime Women's Christian Temperance Union and the Halifax Local Council of Women, and as a member of the National Council of Women in Canada. She raised her children in Cow Bay and Halifax.

The Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada recognized Mrs. Archibald as a national historic person of Canada in 1997.

3. Carrie Best

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Theme Group only)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

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- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Mrs. Best was born in New Glasgow on March 4, 1903. She toyed with a career as a nurse and a teacher in the United States but returned to New Glasgow in 1925 and became involved with a variety of human rights issues. When she passed away in 2001, her work as a poet, author, journalist and fearlessly determined activist had done much to bring positive change to black Canadians.

In 1946, a black woman named Viola Desmond mistakenly sat in the “whites-only” section of a theatre, and was arrested, convicted and fined. Earlier that year, Best had established The Clarion, one of Nova Scotia’s first newspapers for Black Canadians. Together, the women lobbied the provincial government to repeal its segregation laws, which it did in 1954.

In 1954, Mrs. Best’s radio program, The Quiet Corner, hit the airwaves. From the late 1960s to 1975, she wrote a column on human rights for the Pictou Advocate and spoke out against, among other things, substandard conditions on native reserves and discrimination against black property owners.

She was awarded the Queen Elizabeth medal, has honorary law degrees from both St. Francis Xavier University and King’s College and was named an Officer of the Order of Canada in 1979.

4. Helen Creighton

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Dartmouth area preferred)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the Halifax Regional Municipality, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

-Mrs. Creighton was born in 1899 in Dartmouth and lived most of her life there until her passing in 1989. Her home, Evergreen House, is now a part of the Dartmouth Heritage Museum.

Originally intending to develop a career as a writer, she was introduced to folk songs when Henry Munroe, superintendent of Education for Nova Scotia, showed her a copy of W. Roy MacKenzie's book Ballads and Sea Songs of Nova Scotia. Over the course of her career, Creighton collected over 4,000 songs and ballads. She authored 13 books of traditional songs, ballads, and stories, of which her Bluenose Ghosts is the most widely known. She also wrote an autobiography, and a number of articles.

Among her accomplishments:

- six honorary doctorates
- Recipient of a Canadian Music Council Medal, 1974
- Distinguished Folklorist of 1981 (Canada)
- Fellow of the American Folklore Society and the American Anthropological Association
- Honorary Life President of the Canadian Author's Association
- The Order of Canada, 1976
- The Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame awarded her the Frank Davies Legacy Award in 2011

5. Agnes Dennis

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Halifax area preferred)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

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- Individual (s) who have an extraordinary community service record
- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Mrs. Dennis was born in Truro on April 11, 1859 and passed away in Halifax on April 21, 1947.

She succeeded Edith Archibald as president of the Halifax Victorian Order of Nurses (1901-1946) and of the Halifax Local Council of Women (1906-1920). She mobilized women in WWI for the Red Cross, of which she was provincial president from 1914-1920. Mrs. Dennis also helped coordinate relief efforts for victims of the 1917 Halifax Explosion. On the death of her husband, Senator William Dennis in 1920, she became president of the Halifax Herald Ltd.

6. Viola Desmond

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Halifax area preferred)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the Halifax Regional Municipality, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
- Requested name reflects the history and or culture of HRM's culturally diverse communities.
- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

Born in 1914, Mrs. Desmond is often referred to as "Canada's Rosa Parks" although her struggle took place almost ten years prior to the brave defiance that sparked the American civil rights movement.

By 1946 she was a well-known Halifax beautician and businesswoman. In establishing the Desmond Studio of Beauty Culture and the Desmond School of Beauty Culture she had created a province-wide Black Beauty Culture industry.

On November 8, 1946 she decided to catch a movie at the Roseland Theatre in New Glasgow. Mrs. Desmond was black, and the segregated theatre didn't allow Blacks to sit in the downstairs seats, only in the balcony. She was given a balcony ticket but sat downstairs. She was arrested for allegedly defrauding the government. She was carried out of the theatre and thrown in jail for 12 hours and eventually fined \$20 and sentenced to 30 days in prison.

Her appeal succeeded on a technicality. The recently formed Nova Scotia Association for the Advancement of Coloured People (NSAACP) helped raise the money to pay the fine and bring the segregation laws to public attention. Viola's efforts were not in vain. The publicity that her case brought helped put an end to this kind of discrimination. She was part of a movement that ended segregation in Nova Scotia.

On April 14, 2010 the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia, Mayann Francis, invoked the Royal Prerogative and granted Desmond a posthumous pardon, the first such to be granted in Canada.

7. Elizabeth Doane

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Theme Group only)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

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- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Mrs. Doane was born in 1715 and passed away in 1798. She was a nurse, doctor, and midwife in the late 18th century on the south shore of Nova Scotia.

Having been twice widowed, she sailed to the south shore of Nova Scotia with her seven children and her third husband. Her husband set up a small mercantile in Barrington Passage. Mrs. Doane quickly established an important niche of her own in the scattered fishing settlement. There was no county doctor and Mrs. Doane was skilled in the uses of roots and herbs. Upon arrival, she had taken on the role of nurse, doctor and midwife. A comparison of the mortality lists in the first years of early colonial settlements will show that Barrington was remarkably exempt from loss through sickness or accident.

The pioneer women is honoured by a marker on her grave in Barrington, not for services to medicine, but because she was the grandmother of John Howard Payne, lyricist of “Home Sweet Home”.

8. Bessie Egan

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Halifax area preferred)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the Halifax Regional Municipality, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
- Individual (s) who have an extraordinary community service record
- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Born in Hants County in 1859, Mrs. Egan was adopted by a Halifax family early in life. As a domestic servant in the old north end, she joined the Halifax branch of the Women's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU) in 1881. In 1904, after the WCTU closed its doors, Egan took on three new paid jobs: agent for the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty, which rescued children and women and prosecuted all forms of cruelty and neglect; visitor for the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, which provided relief for "deserving" poor people; and immigrant agent, tenement and jail visitor for the NS Bible Society, whose literature she distributed.

Mrs. Egan was the first female rescue worker and proto-social worker in Nova Scotia. She was based in Halifax where much of her work was centered although she made forays into the rest of the province and beyond when necessary. She was also a pioneer female police officer with the Halifax force.

Her activities from the 1890s to the 1930s are all the more remarkable because, unlike most social activities of that period, she came from a humble background and had no family connections to help her achieve her prominence.

Mrs. Egan passed away in 1937 and is buried in the Camp Hill Cemetery, Halifax.

9. Shirley Elliott

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Halifax area preferred)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

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- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Mrs. Elliott was born in 1916 and passed away in 2004. She was an outstanding scholar, librarian, author, and community volunteer. As Legislative Librarian from 1954-1982, she integrated all of the valuable materials around Province House into a collection of Nova Scotia unparalleled in the province. At the same time she transformed the Legislative Library into a modern research library. She was the author of six books, including The Nova Scotia Book of Days. Wolfville and Acadia University have both benefited from her vision and her commitment to community, including the transformation of the Wolfville train station in the town's public library.

She was awarded the Order of Nova Scotia in 2003.

10. Rose Fortune

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Theme Group only)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Requested name reflects the history and or culture of HRM's culturally diverse communities.
- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Mrs. Fortune was born in 1774 and died in 1864. She may well have been the first female police officer on the continent and an early black Loyalist business woman. She was also part of the Underground Railroad, escorting escaped slaves to freedom.

Mrs. Fortune immigrated to Annapolis Royal as a black Loyalist refugee following the American Revolutions. She grew to become an entrepreneur and one of Annapolis Royal's most notable and respected figures during the first half of the 19th century.

Mrs. Fortune later became the town's unofficial police officer, patrolling the town and wharf. She imposed curfews and kept the youth of the busy seaport town in line. She lived to around 90 years old. Her baggage company became known as Lewis Transfer in 1841, and horse drawn wagons replaced wheelbarrows. Fortune's grandchildren carried on the family business for the next 100 years.

A plaque in the Petite Parc on the Annapolis Royal waterfront commemorates her life and contribution to Nova Scotia history.

The Association of Black Law Enforcers offers an annual scholarship in the name of Rose Fortune.

11. Major Margaret C. MacDonald

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Halifax area preferred)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the Halifax Regional Municipality, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Born in Bailey's Brook, Nova Scotia, in 1873, Major MacDonald was an outstanding military nurse. She served in the Spanish-American war, then the Boer War. She was educated at Mount Saint Vincent Academy in Rockingham.

In 1906, Major MacDonald was appointed to the permanent Army Medical Corps. She worked at military hospitals in Quebec City, Kingston and Halifax (Halifax Army Garrison).

During WWI she served as Matron-in-Chief of the Canadian nursing service, making her responsible for all Canadian nurses overseas from her base in London. After returning to Canada in 1919, she participated in the reorganization of the Canadian Army Medical Service. She was the first woman in the British Empire to reach the rank of major.

Among her awards and accomplishments:

- awarded the Royal Red Cross
- recipient of the Florence Nightingale medal
- earned an honorary DDL from St. Francis Xavier University
- was commemorated as a national historic person of Canada by a plaque set in her birthplace in 1983
- honorary lifetime member of the National Council of Women
- was given the honour of unveiling the memorial the Canadian Nursing Sisters on Parliament Hill.

Major MacDonald died in 1948 in the house where she was born.

12. Kate Mackintosh

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Halifax area preferred)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the Halifax Regional Municipality, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Miss Mackintosh was born in 1853 in Halifax. As early as 1876 she was commended for producing, with the principal at Brunswick Street, Catherine Miller, “more than 100 girls... creditably advanced in Geometry and Algebra”. By the early 1880s Miller and Mackintosh had developed at Brunswick St and advanced curriculum for senior girls, who were otherwise excluded from the few high-school programs then available in Halifax.

In 1885, Halifax Academy opened as the city’s first dedicated, co-educational high school. Miss Mackintosh, now holding a grade A license and reputedly the first woman in Nova Scotia to achieve this qualification, was immediately appointed to teach history, grammar, physiology, and paedeutics (the science of education.)

She was also one of the few women to penetrate the leadership of professional organizations. In the 1880s she served for three terms on the executive committee of the Provincial Educational Association of Nova Scotia and sat as well on its committee examining primary education. She was also an accomplished composer and cultivated a musical culture in Halifax.

She passed away in 1923.

13. Theresa McNeil

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Theme Group only)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the Halifax Regional Municipality, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
- Individual (s) who have an extraordinary community service record
- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Mrs. McNeil was born in Lower L'Ardoise in 1928. A daughter of Cape Breton, she was proud of her roots, however, she called the Annapolis Valley "home". In 1977, Theresa became High Sheriff of Annapolis County, the first woman in Canada to hold this position, a fact which led her to be a surprise guest on Front Page Challenge.

She received the 125th Anniversary of Confederation of Canada Medal in 1992 and the Queen Elizabeth II Golden Jubilee Medal in 2002. In 2005, Theresa was honoured by inducted in the Order of Nova Scotia

14. Aileen Meagher

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Halifax area preferred)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Ms. Meagher was born in Halifax in 1910 and died there in 1987. At an early age she loved to run. In 1928, she cut off her brother's trousers, and tried out for the Dalhousie track team. A track and field star, Meagher won a bronze medal in the 400-metre relay at the 1936 Berlin Olympics, and also took gold and silver medals at the British Empire Games in London, England, 1934 and Sydney, Australia, 1938. She was a member of both the Nova Scotia and Canadian Sports Hall of Fame. By 1935, she was named both Most Outstanding Canadian Athlete and Most Outstanding Female Athlete. She went on to become a talented artist who traveled the world. She taught school for many years following her athletic accomplishments.

Among her accomplishments:

- In 1935, she was awarded the Velma Springstead Trophy, presented annually to Canada's outstanding female athlete
- In 1935, she was awarded the Norton H. Crowe Award as the Most Outstanding Canadian Athlete
- In 1965, she was inducted into the Canadian Olympic Hall of Fame
- The Aileen Meagher International Track Classic (Halifax event)
- Won the Nova Scotia Society of Artists' prize for watercolour in 1950
- Member of the Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame.

15. Margaret Meagher

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Halifax or Dartmouth area preferred)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the Halifax Regional Municipality, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Mrs. Meagher was born in Halifax in 1911 and died there in 1999. Mrs Meagher taught in Halifax from 1932-1942, when she became one of the a few pioneering women in the Department of External Affairs. She served under H.L. Keenleyside in Mexico and Norman Roberston in London, England.

From 1958-1961, she was ambassador to Israel, the first Canadian Woman to hold that rank. Starting in 1962 she was the ambassador to Austria, and at the same time governor for Canadian on (and later chairman of) the International Atomic Energy Agency. When ambassador to Sweden, 1969-1973, she negotiated with representatives of the People's Republic of China towards the establishment of Sino-Canadian diplomatic relations. From 1984-89 she was a trustee for the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design. Mrs. Meagher was also awarded the Order of Canada in 1974.

Mrs. Meagher has received Honorary Doctorates of Common Law from Dalhousie University (1970), St. Francis Xavier University (1974) and St Mary's University (1975).

16. Dr. Marial T. Mosher

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Halifax or Dartmouth area preferred)

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- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Born in 1917, Dr. Mosher was raised and educated in Halifax. Dancer, military officer, academic, she has been all of these and more. Her dance career took her to New York where she performed in classical and Broadway productions. At the outbreak of World War II she joined the Canadian Women's Army Corp, attaining the rank of Major and serving in Canada and Great Britain. She then embarked on an academic career in sociology, anthropology, and psychology, during which she was instrumental in introducing the Canadian Studies program at Mount Saint Vincent University. In retirement, she was involved in work to promote women's education, elder learning, and the history of dancing Canada.

The Marial Mosher Endowed Scholarship was set up in her honour in 1984 for Mount Saint Vincent students.

In 2004 she received the Order of Nova Scotia.

17. Pearleen Oliver

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Lucasville area preferred)

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- Requested name reflects the history and or culture of HRM's culturally diverse communities.
- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Dr. Oliver was born in Cooks Cove in 1912 and passed away in Lucasville in 2008. She was a significant figure in Nova Scotia for providing over 60 years of active leadership and community involvement as a religious and human rights leader, researcher, author, youth leader, choir director, historian and noted public speaker. She was the first Black graduate of the New Glasgow High School in Nova Scotia. She was also married to the renowned Rev Dr. William Pearly Oliver.

As an activist, Dr. Oliver fought hard to remove barriers of discrimination which restricted education and employment opportunities for Blacks and other minorities in the 1940s and 1950s. She is a founder of the NS AACP and in 1947, crusaded successfully for the admission of Black women to nursing schools in Canada.

Dr. Oliver has held many positions and served in many roles. In 1976 she became the first woman Moderator of the African United Baptist Association of Nova Scotia.

As a historian, Dr. Oliver wrote and published the history of Blacks in Nova Scotia. Her other honours include:

- Queen's Golden Jubilee Medal (2002)
- Honorary Doctor of Human Letters, Mount Saint Vincent University (1993)
- Honorary Doctor of Letters, Saint Mary's University (1990)
- Woman of the Year Award, YWCA (1981 – first recipient and again in 1991)

18. Mona Parsons

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Theme Group only)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the Halifax Regional Municipality, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
- Individual (s) who have risked his/her life to save or protect others

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Ms. Parsons was born in Middleton, Nova Scotia, in February of 1901. She was an actress, nurse, and member of an informal resistance network in Holland from 1940 to 1941 during the Nazi-occupation. She became the only Canadian female civilian to be imprisoned by the Nazis, and one of the first and few women to be tried by a Nazi military tribunal in Holland.

She received a commendation for her bravery in helping Allied airman evade capture from both Air Chief Marshall Lord Arthur Tedder of the Royal Air Force on behalf of the British people, and from General Dwight Eisenhower, expressing the gratitude of the American people.

Mona Parsons moved back to Nova Scotia after the war and passed away in Wolfville in 1976.

19. Gladys Porter

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Theme Group only)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the Halifax Regional Municipality, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
- Individual (s) who have an extraordinary community service record
- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Mrs. Porter was born in Sydney Nova Scotia in 1894. She was the first women in the Maritimes to be elected as Mayor and the first female member of the Nova Scotia House of Assembly.

She was elected to Kentville town council in 1943. She was then elected Mayor of Kentville in 1946 and served until 1960, when she ran successfully as a Progressive Conservative to represent the provincial electoral district of Kings North. Porter was re-elected to the Legislature in 1963 and served until her death on April 30, 1967.

In honour of her contribution to the civilian defence and war effort in both World Wars, she was named a Member of the Order to the British Empire in 1946.

In 1968, a year after her death the Minister of Highways, the Hon I.W. Akerley saw fit to honour her memory by naming a new bridge in Port Williams in her honour.

The Conservative Women's Caucus has a Gladys Porter Fund, which has supported women running for party office at the provincial and federal level, as well as for political office at all three levels of government.

20. Eliza Ritchie

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Halifax area preferred)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the Halifax Regional Municipality, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
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Biography (provided by applicant)

- Born in Halifax in 1856, Eliza Ritchie was educated first at home and later at Dalhousie University, being one of the first women to graduate from the University. From Dalhousie she went to Cornell, where she received her Doctorate of Philosophy (one for the first women to receive a Doctorate Degree), and was shortly afterwards appointed professor of Philosophy at Wellesley College, Mass. She returned to Halifax in 1899, where she devoted her energies to cultural and women's causes, and to Dalhousie for the rest of her life. She was the first warden of a Dalhousie women's residence (Forrest Hall 1912-13), and was the first woman to be appointed as a member of the Dalhousie Board of Governors. This was also the first time any women in Canada had been appointed to sit on a university's Board of Governors. She also wrote and edited several books and articles.

Dr. Ritchie passed away in 1933, and Eliza Ritchie Hall on Dalhousie campus was opened in 1987 in her name.

21. Marie Marguerite Rose

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Theme Group only)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Born in 1717, Ms. Rose was a black slave who lived in Louisburg. She was a key figure in the initial phase of Black slavery in Canada and stood out among emancipated slaves in New France. Her capture, transportation and sale into 19 years of slavery are indicative of the presence of slavery in Canada and in the colony of the Ile Royale during the French Regime, which had an estimated combined population of 1,330 Black slaves. After having spent most of her adult life in slavery, she became a tavern keeper, formed a rare marriage with an Aboriginal man, and became part of the retail business group of a colony in New France.

After 19 years of servitude, she married a free man, Jean-Baptiste (or Jean Pierre) Laurent, who was likely a Mi'kmaq. To support herself she became an innkeeper, she successfully set up her business in a choice location in Louisburg. Before her death in 1757, Marie Marguerite managed to become part of the group of merchants in the capital of Ile Royale.

The Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada are developing an exhibit to commemorate her life.

22. Granny Ross (aka Marie-Henriette LeJeune-Ross)

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Theme Group only)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the Halifax Regional Municipality, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
- Requested name reflects or represents tradition or tradition bearers

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Born in 1762 Granny Ross was a 17th century pioneer, caregiver and herbalist. In addition to facing the daily challenges of her time, she was a trail blazer in the world of women's science in Canada, serving her fellow citizens as a midwife for over sixty years and developing her skills as a healer throughout her lifetime (d. 1860).

She spent most of her life in the Little Bras d'Or area of Cape Breton, moving in 1802 to the Northeast Margaree River Valley, where her homestead still remains.

23. Margaret Marshall Saunders

Request

- Any asset

Geographic Location

- Urban Core (Halifax area preferred)

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- Individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the Halifax Regional Municipality, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography (provided by applicant)

- Ms Saunders was born in Milton, Nova Scotia, on April 13, 1861. She moved with her family to Halifax at age 6. At 15 she attended boarding school in Edinburgh, and then studied French at Orleans.

Ms Saunders' first novel, a romance, *My Spanish Sailor*, was published in 1889. She wrote *Beautiful Joe* (1894), the story of an abused dog, for an American Human Society competition. It won first prize and became a best seller, was translated into 14 languages, and was reportedly the first Canadian book to sell more than a million copies. Her book sparked a shift in Canadians' consciousness: it started them thinking about how animals should be treated.

Together with fellow Canadian author, Lucy Maud Montgomery, Saunders co-founded the Maritime branch of the Canadian Women's Press Club. Ms. Saunders wrote more than twenty other stories, a number of which provided social commentary on such things as the abolition of child labour, slum clearance, and the improvement of playground facilities. Saunders died in 1947 in Toronto, Ontario, where she had lived for a number of years.

In 1911, she received an honorary M.A. from Acadia University and she was named a Commander of the British Empire in 1934.

Attachment B – Grassy Brook Park

Request

- name new park

Geography

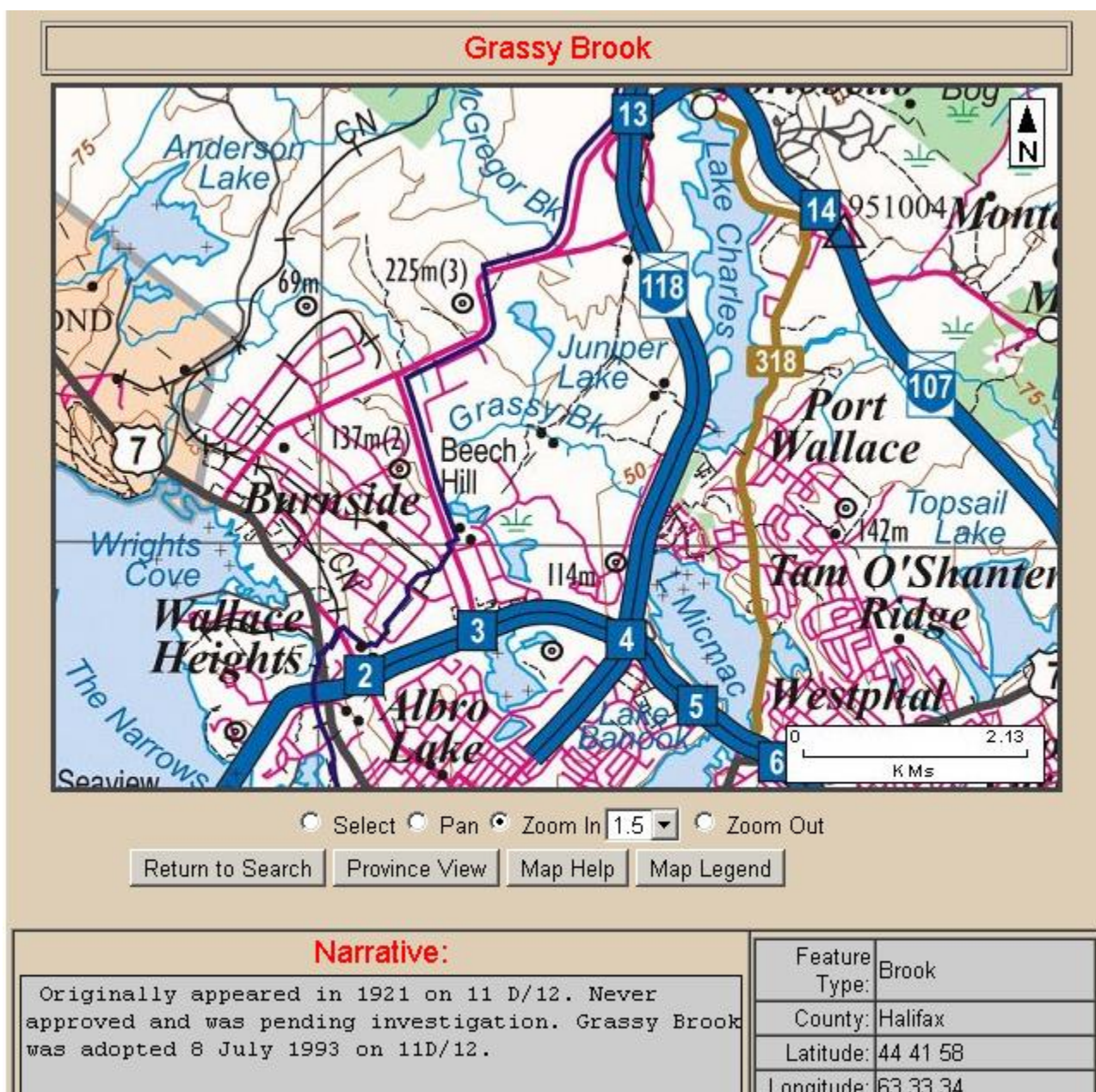
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Criteria

- Requested name recognizes geographical or topographical features of the area

Description

- Geographic feature recognized by the Province of Nova Scotia.



Attachment C – Administrative Park Names

1. Astral Drive Neighbourhood Park
- 627 Astral Drive, Cole Harbour (District 4)
2. Basswood Run Park
- 200 Basswood Run, Dartmouth (District 3)
3. Beechcrest Drive Park
- 117 Beechcrest Dr, Waverley (District 1)
4. Bonsai Drive Community Park
- Bonsai Dr, Hammonds Plains (District 13)
5. Darlington Dr Park
- 62 Darlington Dr, Middle Sackville (District 14)
6. Goldeneye Drive Park
- 300 Goldeneye Drive, Timberlea (District 12)
7. Governors Brook District Park
- 22 Danforth Rd, Halifax (District 11)
8. Keyport Ave Park
- 60 Keyport Ave, Eastern Passage (District 3)
9. Larry Uteck Blvd Community Park
- 565 Larry Uteck Blvd, Halifax (District 16)
10. Oakland Road Park
- 6404 Oakland Road, Halifax (District 7)
11. Sandy Run Park
- Sandy Run, Hammonds Plains (District 13)
12. Starflower Way Community Park
- Starflower Way, Brookside (District 11)
13. Stokil Drive Park
- 319 Stokil Dr, Lower Sackville (District 15)

Attachment D – Mary Clayton’s Biography

Request

- rename Willett Street Reserve

Geography

- Willett St, Halifax

Criteria

- Requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada

Biography

Mary Clayton was born in England on May 23, 1819. She and her husband immigrated to Halifax in 1863 with their seven children. Her husband passed away a year later leaving Mary a widow with seven young children.

Mary established a second-hand clothing business in their home. Over the years, M.Clayton & Sons grew to become a thriving business. In 1895 they built a five story factory at the corner of Barrington and Jacob Streets (now Scotia Square). It was the largest clothing manufacturer east of Montreal, and employed between 400 and 500 people in the best equipped clothing factory in Canada.

The company offered innovative profit-sharing, and medical and savings plans for their employees, unusual for the time. During both World Wars, Clayton & Sons contributed to the war effort by manufacturing uniforms for the armed forces.

In 1904, the Clayton family built a summer home in the southern end of Rockingham Village, which was later converted into a permanent residence. In 1959, the property was sold to developers, who planned and built a new subdivision, appropriately named Clayton Park.

Mary Clayton died in 1907.

Attachment E – Catherine MacLean Sullivan Park

Request

- rename Rosebank Ave Parkette

Geography

- 1740 Rosebank Ave, Halifax

Name Approval Date

- Regional Council August 14, 2012

Biography

Mrs. Sullivan was born in Bible Hill, NS, on February 4, 1875. She attended Mount Saint Bernard College, and married Dr. Michael Thomas Sullivan who practised medicine in Glace Bay. When her husband died in 1930, she moved her six children to Halifax. In 1934, Mrs. Sullivan was the first woman Alderman to be elected to office in English speaking Canada. She worked on Council to improve conditions in the Poor House and to improve Poor laws and introduced domestic science courses for women to improve their economic circumstances.

Mrs. Sullivan's other activities included:

- President of the Catholic Women's League
- Vice President Diocesan Board (Halifax)
- Vice-President Local Council of Women
- Vice-President Friends of the Seminary
- Honorary Life President Mount Saint Bernard Alumnae
- Member Halifax Welfare Bureau
- Executive Member, V.O.N.
- Executive Member, anti-T.B. League
- Vice- President Liberal Association of Nova Scotia
- Director, C.E. Choat & Company and Sullivan Storage

Mrs. Sullivan passed away in Halifax on May 9, 1946.

In October of 1992, the City of Halifax marked the anniversary of the day in 1929 when women were officially given "person status". In celebration of that day, October was declared "Women in History Month". Council further stated "it seemed appropriate to comment on one particular woman in Halifax's History, Catherine MacLean Sullivan".

Attachment F – Audrey Anne Rose Purcell’s Biography

Request

- rename Ashford Close Park

Geography

- 65 Ashford Close, Upper Tantallon

Criteria

- Individuals who have risked his/her life to save or protect others.

Biography

- Audrey, age 9, passed away suddenly at the IWK Hospital in January of 2012. She made the decision to donate her organs.

Audrey took part in the Little Rocks curling program at CFB Halifax. She had been chosen to be a sign representative for the Provincial Scotties Tournament of Hearts, but unfortunately did not have the chance to participate. Audrey attended Tantallon Elementary School where she was a member of the school choir and gymnastics club.

Attachment G – PO2 Craig Blake Memorial Park

Request

- rename Montebello Park

Geography

- 110 Appian Way, Dartmouth

Name Approval Date

- Regional Council August 14, 2012

Biography

Petty Officer 2nd Class Craig Blake was originally from Ontario, but lived most of his life in Dartmouth and thought of himself as a Nova Scotian. He is described as a dedicated family man, volunteer and a peewee coach of the year. He was a clearance diver based out of Shearwater and was in Afghanistan disposing of IED's. He was killed on May 3, 2010; he was only 37 years old. Blake was the first Canadian sailor to die in Afghanistan since the mission began in 2002.

Attachment H – Five Island Lake

Request

- rename Five Island Lake Road Park

Geography

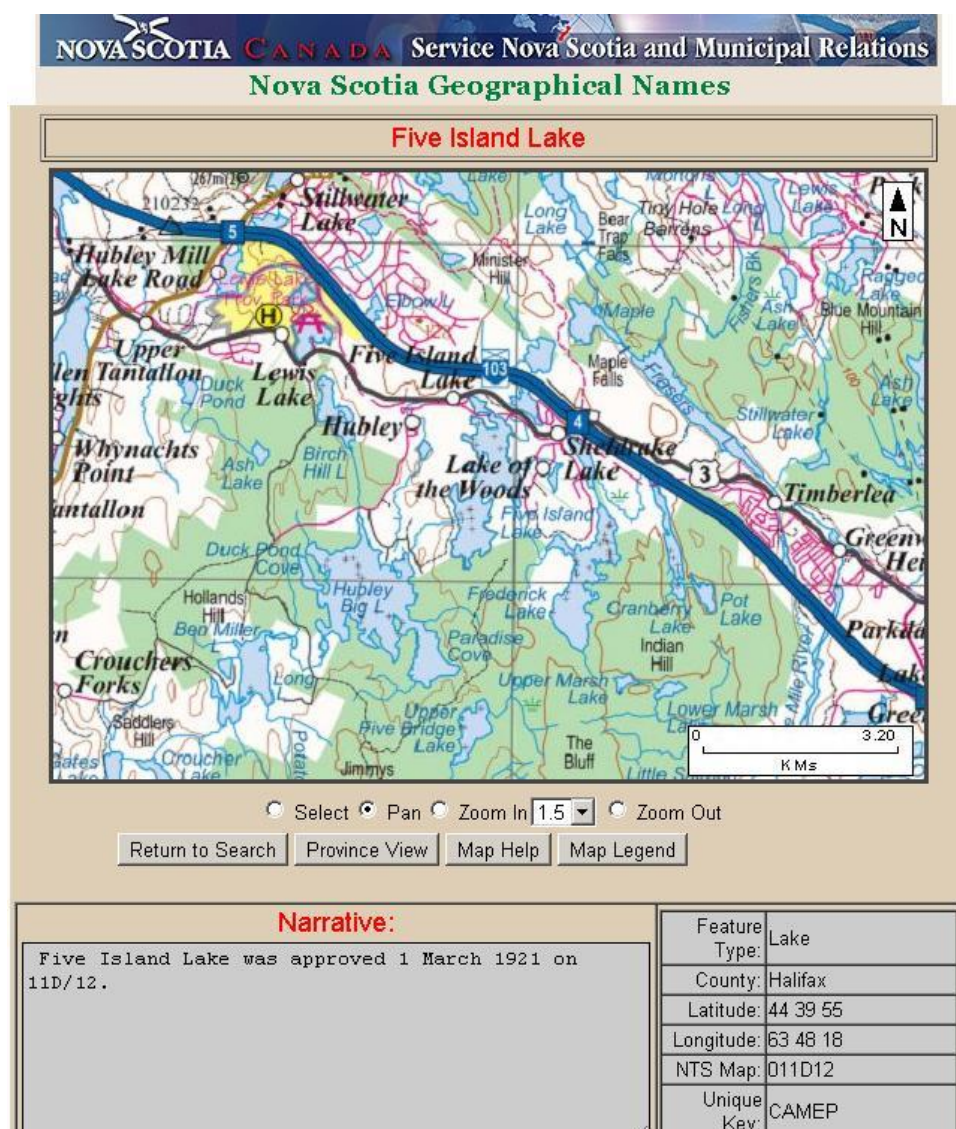
- 127 Five Island Lake Rd, Hubley

Criteria

- Requested name recognizes geographical or topographical features of the area

Description

- This is a minor modification changing the park name from administrative (named after street) to commemorative (named after Lake).
- Geographic feature, Five Island Lake, is recognized by the Province of Nova Scotia.



Attachment I – J Eric Davidson’s Biography

Request

- Rename Fort Needham Sports field

Geography

- 3255 Needham St, Halifax

Criteria

- Individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage or exceptional service to the citizens of the Halifax Regional Municipality, the Province of Nova Scotia and/or Canada
- Individual (s) who have an extraordinary community service record

Biography

- Mr. Davidson was born in Halifax on May 10, 1915 and died on September 9, 2009.

At the age of 2, Mr Davidson lost his sight as a result of the Halifax Explosion. He was the subject of the National Film Board documentary “Just One of the Boys”. After receiving his education at the School for the Blind in Halifax, Eric became a Class 1 licensed auto mechanic and worked with the City of Halifax (City Field) until his retirement in 1980. Mr. Davidson was a founding member of the Halifax Antique Car Club in the early 1960’s and served on the Board of Trustees at United Memorial Church for many years.

He was awarded the Queen’s Golden Jubilee Medal in 2003. The Mayor’s office at the City of Boston presented a visual display/exhibit of Mr. Davidson for the 2012 Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Attachment J – Kiwanis Playground

Request

- rename Ferry Terminal Park Playground

Geography

- 94 Alderney Dr, Dartmouth

Criteria

- Individuals who have an extraordinary community service record.

Biography

- The Dartmouth Kiwanis Club has been supporting children, youth and community programming in Dartmouth and in HRM for 70 years. Today the club continues to provide financial support annually to projects such as Youth Camps, Air Cadets, community festivals, the Nova Scotia Kiwanis Music Festival, the Dartmouth General Hospital, preschools, elementary school milk and breakfast programs and youth service projects.

The original playground received funding assistance from the Club for the construction of the play boat. The original play boat, which was destroyed by a fire earlier this year, will be replaced. The Kiwanis group would like to again provide funding support.

In addition to the funding support, for the past 10 years, the Kiwanis Club has provided the funds for a children's day during the Natal Day festivities in the Ferry Terminal Park. For the past five years, the children's day has been known as the Kiwanis Mother Goose Festival attracting 5,000+ children to the event.

Attachment K – Bissett Trail

Request

- name trail within Bissett Lake Park, Cole Harbour
- trail beginning at the parking lot near the ball fields and continuing northerly to the terminus of the trail (near Cole Harbour Rd)

Geography

- Cole Harbour

Criteria

- Requested name recognizes geographical or topographical features of the area

Description

- Trail name is after the name of the Lake, however, using the full Bissett Lake Trail may have issues as the acronym (BLT) which is already a trail name in Timberlea.



Bissett Trail (proposed) Cole Harbour

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Attachment L – Glen Slaunwhite’s Biography

Request

- name trail around First Lake, Lower Sackville, within First Lake Regional Park
- currently unofficially named the First Lake Glen Slaunwhite Trail

Geography

- Lower Sackville

Criteria

- Individuals who have an extraordinary community service record

Biography

- Mr Slaunwhite was born in 1927 and passed away in 2003.

In the 1950s, Mr Slaunwhite assisted his father to organize and man the first Volunteer Fire Department in Sackville. He served as Director of the Maritime Provinces Chamber of Commerce and also served 21 years and two terms as President of the NS Chamber of Commerce. He was a founding member of the Sackville Chamber of Commerce and served 27 years, including terms as President and Executive member. He chaired the Metro Board of Trade and Chamber of Commerce in Halifax and was a founding member of the Halifax Regional Development Agency. In 1990, he was presented with the Outstanding Member Award by the Nova Scotia Chamber of Commerce and in 1992, was presented with the Dr Peter Stewart Award for Strengthening the Chamber of Commerce Movement in Atlantic Canada.

He served in a multitude of high profile and demanding elected and volunteer positions including; County Councillor for 6 years, Chairman of the Board of Trustees and School Board, President of the Halifax West and Hants East Liberal Associations, Chairman of the Maxwell Recreation Association, President of the Lake District Recreation Association, the Cobequid Curling Club, the Sackville Environmental Protection Association an founding member of the Provincial and Community Crime Stoppers.

More than two dozen awards honour his lifetime of leadership and volunteerism, including nominations for the Order of Canada and the Order of Nova Scotia.