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Item No. 14.1.3
Halifax Regional Council
December 8, 2015

TO: Mayor Savage and Members of Halifax Regional Council

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SUBMITTED BY:

Richard Butts, Chief Administrative Officer

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Mike Labrecque, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: October 19, 2015

SUBJECT: AN100: HRM Asset Names, May 1, 2015 to August 10, 2015

ORIGIN

HRM has received asset naming requests from the period of May 1, 2015 to August 10, 2015; and

Regional Council Meeting July 21, 2015 Agenda Item: 10.2.1 Councillor Hendsbee - Petition submitted with 13 signatures re: Street Naming & Civic Numbering to be submitted to civic addressing staff for reply and a report

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 name Walter E. Nolan and Dugger McNeil to the existing Commemorative Names List as show on Attachments A & B; and
2. The naming of the loop road located in the vicinity of 1828 Highway 7 to Old Preston Road, East Preston as shown on Attachment C.

BACKGROUND

HRM's Asset Naming Policy Administrative Order (A.O.46) 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 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 sixth list of recommended names since the adoption of the Asset Naming Policy in 2010.

Requests

The HRM Asset Naming Committee recommends Regional Council approve three requests for the period of May 1, 2015 to August 11, 2015 as outlined below:

- a) 2 names to be added to the commemorative names list; and
- b) 1 request to name a street.

DISCUSSION

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

Commemorative Names List:

Commemorative names recognize individual persons, groups of people and geographic features. The Asset Naming 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 has received two commemorative name applications for Walter E Nolan and Dugger McNeil.

These names meet the criteria of the HRM Asset Naming Policies. Therefore, the Asset Naming Committee recommends that these applications, as outlined in Attachments A & B, be approved and added to the commemorative name list.

Street Naming:

Civic Addressing is currently working in the community of East Preston ensuring that each residence and business has an accurate civic number. Through this process an un-named loop road off Highway 7 was identified (see Attachment C). As per HRM Civic Addressing Policies (A.O. 29) all the affected property owners were contacted by letter and informed that their road required a name. The residents requested that the un-named road be called Old Preston Road. In accordance with HRM's Civic Addressing Policies this name could not be approved, as it does not follow the policies that no double barreled names be permitted. However, the residents submitted a petition to Councillor Hendsbee, which was presented to Regional Council at its July 21, 2015 meeting requesting that the name Old Preston Road be approved.

Although the Civic Addressing Policies do not allow double barreled names, they can be permitted if they are a heritage name, which is approved through the Asset Naming Policies (A.O.46). The petition was reviewed by the Asset Naming Committee at its August 11, 2015 meeting where it was determined that the name met the criteria of the policies. Therefore, the Asset Naming Committee recommends that this application, as outlined in Attachment C, be approved and placed on the un-named loop road off Highway 7 in East Preston.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The cost associated with the administration of the HRM's Asset Naming policy can be accommodated within the existing 2015-16 operating budget for C330 - Civic Addressing. Also, with regards to the

naming of the street, the installation of two street signs (estimated total cost of \$400) can be funded within the existing Civic Addressing budget.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The community engagement process for this exercise is consistent with the intent of the HRM Community Engagement Strategy. The level of community engagement is ongoing and is achieved through promotion online and the creation of printed marketing material and engaging local interest groups, schools, universities and the Royal Canadian Legions. Any member of the community is welcome to submit applications for commemorative names within HRM.

The level of community engagement for the un-named loop road was consultation, achieved through written communication with affected residents. The written communication process involved contacting each property owner on the un-named loop road and requesting their participation.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no environmental implications associated with this report.

ALTERNATIVES

Regional Council could choose to not approve some, or all, of the requested names. This alternative is not recommended as the names meet the Council approved criteria as outline in HRM Asset Naming Policies.

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment A Walter E. Nolan's Application
- Attachment B Dugger McNeil's Application
- Attachment C Old Preston Road, East Preston Road
- Attachment D Petition to Council for Street Naming and Civic Numbering

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/cagenda.php> then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 902.490.4210, or Fax 902.490.4208.

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Attachment A – Walter E Nolan's Application

Walter E Nolan

Request

- park feature

Geographic Location

- Jollimore, Flemming Park, Purcells Cove area, Halifax

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage, or exceptional service to the citizens of HRM, NS and/or Canada
- individual(s) who have an extraordinary community service record.

Biography (as provided by applicant)

Mr Nolan was born in Connecticut and raised in Boston. He and his wife built a home on Marine Dr, Halifax where to this day, his wife still lives. Walter was a veteran of the Korean War and then spent over 40 years of his life in Halifax. He was the founder of the Jollimore Recreation Society, starting a baseball and softball league in 1970, where the first girl in Nova Scotia was allowed to play baseball with boys (his daughter Julie). Walter was the two time president of Sport Nova Scotia and a 3-time president of Athletics Nova Scotia.

In 1982, Halifax hosted the Pan-Am Wheelchair Games. The new SMU track was great and our track club Atlantic Coast Club (Walter was president) represented. Walter was also then the President of Track and Field Nova Scotia and encouraged all track clubs to support this cause.

Walter served his community as Alderman from 1982-1985. Walter was a Board member of the Planning Advisory Commission, the Halifax Police Commission, Halifax Fire Commission, Halifax Homeowner's Association, Emergency Planning Commission, and the Nova Scotia Voyageurs.

Attachment B – Dugger McNeil’s Application

Douglas “Dugger” McNeil

Request

- street

Geographic Location

- Fairview, Halifax

Request to be considered under the following criteria

- individual(s) who have demonstrated excellence, courage, or exceptional service to the citizens of HRM, NS and/or Canada
- individual(s) who have an extraordinary community service record.
- requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, NS and/or Canada

Biography (as provided by applicant)

The former provincial MLA, was a hockey star and coach in his younger days and a genial mens-wear merchant later in life.

First elected to Nova Scotia’s legislature in the 1963 general election, McNeil was a Progressive Conservative who represented the Halifax area. He had a seat in Province House from 1963 to 1970, and then spent several years out of active politics. He made some great contributions in the legislature, particularly in the areas of sports and recreation. When Buchanan became premier he appointed Dugger chairman of the board of Trade Centre Ltd. And together with Ken Mounce they helped build this downtown site into Nova Scotia’s premiere conference and convention destination.

He was a gifted, multi-sport athlete and in 1988 was inducted into the Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame. He did sign a pro contract with the Montreal Canadiens, but playing minor-league hockey wasn’t for him. He also played baseball and football and excelled at water sports.

He owned Dugger’s Men’s Wear Ltd and other commercial concerns. Dugger’s charitable works are well known to those who know him. He’s worked on behalf of many organizations, but mostly, he’s helped people.

There is currently an award presented at Fairview Junior High called the Douglas “Dugger” and Marion McNeil Award. Recipients are selected by the school principal after being nominated by their teachers and fellow students. Criteria for the awards are based on academic achievement, athletic involvement and demonstration of a strong sense of school and community spirit.

Attachment C – Old Preston Road, East Preston

Request

- street (un-named loop of Highway 7, as shown below)

Geographic Location

- East Preston

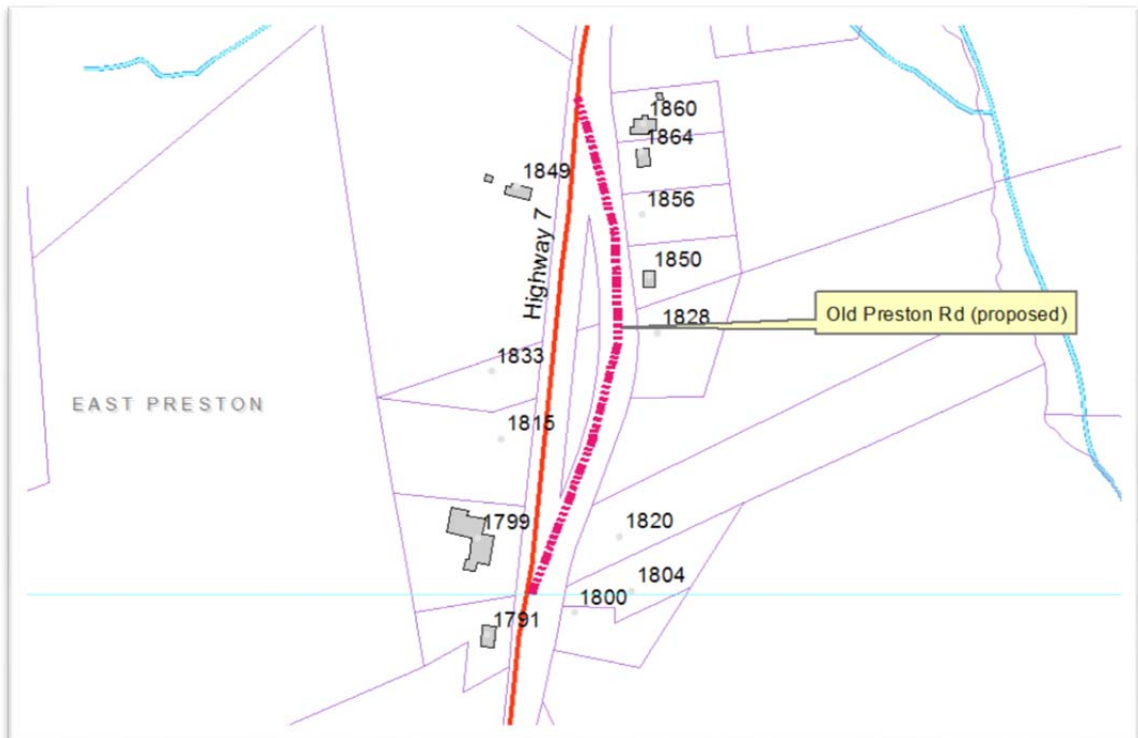
Request to be considered under the following criteria

- requested name is historically significant to the development of HRM, NS and/or Canada
- requested name recognizes geographical or topographical features of the area.

Biography (as provided by applicant)

The requested street name has a historical value to the community of East Preston and the province. Settled over 200 years ago East Preston is a historic African Nova Scotian Community. The highway now known as Highway 7 has roots as a historic route named "Preston Road" dating back to the early 1900's, which was rescinded in favor of the provincial highway number.

All of the residents/property owners on the street are in agreement with this historic name "Old Preston Road".



Attachment D – Petition to Council for Street Naming and Civic Numbering

July 17, 2015

Residents of No. 7 Highway (Trunk #7)
c/o Cassandra Grosse



Councillor David Hendsbee, District 2
1841 Argyle Street, Councillor's Support - 4th Floor
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Dear Councillor David Hendsbee:

Re: Petition to Council for Street Naming and Civic Numbering

Thank you Councillor for taking the time during our meeting , to listen to our concerns and bringing forward our request to have our street name "Old Preston Road". The requested street name has a historical value to the community of East Preston and this province. Settled over 200 years ago East Preston is a historic African Nova Scotian Community. The highway now known as highway 107 or No. 7 has roots as a historic route named "Preston Road" dating back to the early 1900's, which was rescinded in favor of the provincial highway.

All of the residents / property owners on the street are in agreement to petition Council to have the street name changed to the historic name of "Old Preston Road" This is in response to the letter received from Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM) date June 8, 2015, recommending a proposed street name we are enclosing a copy of our signed petition that was initially denied by HRM.

We appreciate your willingness to bring this issue forward during your Council meeting, in anticipation of a positive solution resulting in the naming of our street as collectively agreed upon as per signatures of the affected residents listed below.

First Name	Last Name	Signature
Mary	Glasgow-Beals	
Maxine	Wongus	
Calvin	Sparks	
Michelle	Connors	
Russell	Grosse	
Cassandra	Grosse	
Donna	Colley-Howe	
Paul	Howe	
Roland	Williams	
Clara	Williams	
William	Colley	
Lesley	Hinds-Colley	
Phyllis	Colley	

Civic Listing of affected residents:

Proposed name: Old Preston Road, East Preston

█: Mary Glasgow – Beals

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█: Maxine Wongus

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█: Phyllis Colley

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█ and █: Calvin Sparks and Michelle Connors

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█: Russell and Cassandra Grosse

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█: Paul and Donna Howe

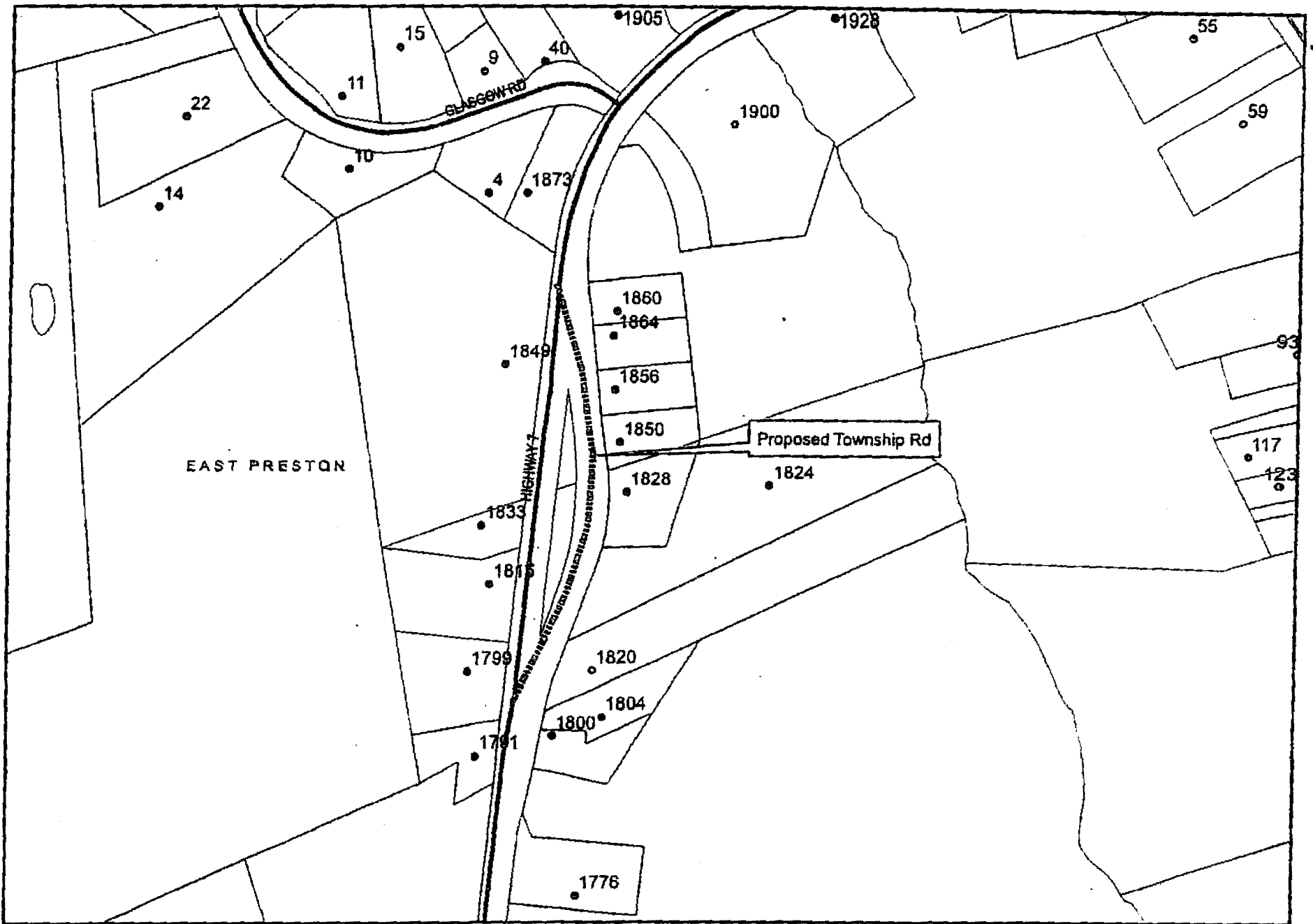
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█: Roland and Clara Williams

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█: William and Lesley Colley

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Proposed Township Rd, East Preston

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