

A meeting of the Street Naming Committee was held on November 15, 2013 at 9:00 AM, at the offices of the Town of Newmarket, 395 Mulock Drive, Newmarket.

Present: E. Adam
W. Playter (via teleconference)

Staff: M. White, Planner

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 AM.

1. ADDING NEW NAMES TO RESERVE LIST

a) Veterans Names

Names of Newmarket veterans have been provided by the Veteran's Association and the Legion. The names were circulated to the Region and eight are allowable as street names. Staff provided the Committee with materials found regarding various World War II veterans.

Discussion:

It was decided that any veteran, i.e. a person who has participated in a war on Canada's behalf, should be considered eligible for the honor of a street name. If possible, and if the information is available, priority will be given to those who have seen combat and to those who came from Newmarket.

Jack Giles was deemed to be the next available veteran's name on the Reserve List for use in the renaming of Slingerland Circle.

Motion:

Moved by: Elaine Adam
Seconded by: Wes Playter

THAT a priority be set for veterans who have seen combat and for those from Newmarket, but that any veteran be considered eligible for the honour of a street name (depending on information available).

CARRIED.

Motion:

Moved by: Wes Playter
Seconded by: Elaine Adam

THAT the following names of Newmarket veterans be added to the Reserve List.

Jack Giles
Herb Elines
Alf Neely
Carm Chier
Bennett (Dr. John)
Betty Gordon
Roy Smalley
Harold Brown

AND THAT Jake Giles be used for the renaming of Slingerland Circle.

CARRIED.

b) Pioneer farmers

Mrs. Needler provided the Street Naming Committee with a list of pioneer farmers.

Discussion:

The Committee reviewed the information provided by Mrs. Needler. It was determined that the farms described were along Poplar Bank Sideroad (now known as Greenlane). The Committee decided that the names did not meet the criteria under Section 2.2.1 a) and b) of the Street Naming Policy and Procedure as the farms described seem to be lands which are in the Town of East Gwillimbury. Staff will advise Mrs. Needler and pass along the names to the Town of East Gwillimbury.

c) Other requests

Mrs. Lemaitre sent in a request to have a street in Newmarket named in honour of John Lemaitre.

Discussion:

The Committee reviewed the letter provided by Mrs. Lemaitre and determined that it did not meet the criteria under Section 2.2.1 a) and b) of the Street Naming Policy and Procedure. Staff will advise Mrs. Lemaitre in writing of the Committee's decision.

2. UPDATE ON IAC'S ROLE IN STREET NAMING PROCESS AND FUTURE MEETING

Staff advised the Committee that the Inclusivity Advisory Committee (IAC) has requested not to be circulated future names prior to their addition to the Reserve List. The IAC does not want the responsibility of determining if a proposed name is "inclusive". The IAC has requested a meeting with the Committee to review the current criteria for street names and provide recommendations on how to ensure the criteria are inclusive. The Committee agreed to attend a future meeting with the IAC. Staff will organize the meeting.

3. UPDATE ON RECRUITMENT PROCESS

Staff advised the Committee that the vacant position has been filled and the new member will be able to attend the next meeting.

4. NEW BUSINESS

None.

5. NEXT MEETING DATE

The Committee agreed the next meeting would be in February, if required. Staff will send out a meeting request in January.

There being no further business, the Street Naming Committee adjourned at 10:04 AM.

Date

Elaine Adam, Member

Date

Wes Playter, Member