



TOWN OF STRATFORD RESOLUTION

No. PH029-2022 – Chen Sun Subdivision – Street Name Request

Motion Carried _____ ✓ _____
Motion Lost _____
Motion Withdrawn _____

Council Chambers
Town Council

August 10, 2022

Committee
Moved by Councillor
Seconded by Councillor

Planning & Heritage
Darren MacDougall
Gary Clow

WHEREAS a new subdivision is to be constructed off the Mason Road which will contain two new public streets; and

WHEREAS the Heritage Sub-Committee has researched the history of the land being subdivided and are providing the following suggestion:

- **Oliver Way**, after Oliver Mason who lived there roughly 1881-1907. Oliver Mason was the oldest child of George and Sophia Mason of Clifton Farm. He married in 1881 and acquired the farm previously owned by Fred Poole. Oliver was a prominent horse dealer, selling and shipping horses to United States. In 1907, Oliver was returning from Charlottetown with his horse and sleigh across the new Hillsborough Bridge. In the snowstorm, the horse went over the bridge embankment and Oliver tried to make it home on foot. He succumbed to the storm and was found the next day. His two sons headed west to Alberta, and his widow followed them in 1915. His son Gordon enlisted in the First World War from Alberta and was killed in action.
- **Gertie Gate**, after Gertrude Wood who lived there roughly 1915-1978. Caldwell and Gertrude Wood moved to Bunbury with their two children about 1915. They lived in the farmhouse on the property until 1959 at which time they sold the farm to Collins Wood (no relation). Caldwell and Gertie built a small house on the property, just across the road from the Bunbury School. Caldwell died in 1960. Mrs. Wood was well known to a generation of children in the neighborhood. Children would go to Mrs. Wood's door and ring the bell. You would then see Gertie peeking out the kitchen window to see if it was the children. She would come to the door with a tin of maple leaf cookies to give one to each child. Locally, maple leaf cookies were known as "Mrs. Wood's cookies".

BE IT RESOLVED that approval be granted to the following street names for the new Chen Sun Subdivision to be constructed off the Mason Road:

- Oliver Way
- Gertie Gate

This resolution bears the recommendation of the Planning & Heritage Committee as discussed at a meeting held on August 1st, 2022.