



# TOWN OF STRATFORD RESOLUTION

## No. PH029-2023 – New Street Name Request – Community Campus

Motion Carried     X      
Motion Lost             
Motion Withdrawn           

Council Chambers  
Town Council

**September 13, 2023**

Committee  
Moved by Councillor  
Seconded by Councillor

Planning & Heritage  
Jeff MacDonald  
Jody Jackson

**WHEREAS** at a regular Council meeting held April 12, 2023, preliminary approval was granted to an application from the Town of Stratford to subdivide parcel numbers 1137884 and 1137892 (approximately 69.96 Ha. or 172.90 acres) for the purpose of creating the Town's Community Campus and Business Park Expansion; and

**WHEREAS** two (2) new roads (Street "A" and Street "B") will provide access to and service the Community Campus land; Street "A" will extend through the Community Campus land and intersect with Hollis Avenue and Bunbury Road; Street "B" will T-intersect with Street "A" and extend to the southwest property line of the Community Campus land and stop, with future connection to the Mason Road: and

**WHEREAS** at a Heritage Sub-Committee meeting held on August 28, 2023 and via email poll held on September 4, 2023, the Committee passed a motion to and later amended the motion September 4, 2023 to suggest the following street names:

- **John Joe Sark** – Street "A": The late Keptin John Joe Sark was a Mi'kmaw leader, "advocate, educator, author, father, and friend to many" remembered as a trailblazer. Given the story of dropping out of school in grade 8 due to racism, eventually graduating from UPEI, and promoting the name change of the Rural's mascot, there is poetic justice for the Community Campus to include his name given that the street will be home to the new high school (whose catch basin will include his home in Johnson River).
- **Farquharson** – Street "B": To recognize the Farquharson family who lived on and farmed the property for almost 200 years over which Street "B" crosses.
- **Russell** – Street "B" alternative – should Farquharson be in conflict with existing streets (ie. Ferguson): Russell, a veteran of the First World War, was born on the Farquharson Farm and lived there until three weeks prior to his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. It was grandsons of Russell Farquharson (Robert and Paul Farquharson) who sold the property to the Town for the Community Campus.

**WHEREAS** planning staff will contact the Crossroads Rural Fire Company to verify that the name Farquharson recommended for Street “B” is not similar to other names listed in the Cross Roads Fire District as to not cause conflict or misinterpretation when used by any emergency service provider. Should the Crossroads Rural Fire Company determine a potential conflict or misinterpretation exists, the Heritage Committee provided an alternative name Russell to serve as a substitute to Farquharson.

**BE IT RESOLVED** that approval be granted to the following street names for the Community Campus subdivision:

John Joe Sark Drive – Street “A”

Farquharson Street – Street “B”

Russell Drive – Street “B” alternative – should Farquharson be in conflict with existing streets.

*This resolution bears the recommendation of the Planning & Heritage Committee as discussed at a meeting held on September 5, 2023.*