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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: December 14, 2016

SUBJECT: Case CA0110: Street Naming from October 1 – November 30, 2016

ORIGIN

Street naming requests submitted through new subdivision applications, and development permits from October 1 to November 30, 2016.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Halifax Regional Municipality Charter, s.323 "The Council may... (c): by policy, name or rename any street or private road;"

By-law C-300, *Respecting Civic Addressing*

Administrative Order #29, *Respecting HRM Civic Addressing Policies*

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Halifax Regional Council adopt the proposed amendments to Administrative Order 29 Respecting HRM Civic Addressing Policies as set out in Attachment A of this report in order to approve the naming of three new public streets and two new private lanes as identified in Attachment B and Maps 1-4.

BACKGROUND

The *Halifax Regional Municipality Charter* allows Regional Council to name and rename any street or private lane by policy. In accordance with the *HRM Charter*, Council has adopted Administrative Order 29, Respecting HRM Civic Addressing Policies and By-Law C-300, Respecting Civic Addressing. Regional Council officially approves all new street names for public streets and private lanes.

Civic Addressing Policy and By-Law

The Civic Addressing By-Law (C-300) requires that all names must be approved in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policy. Schedule A of the Policy contains the guidelines that must be followed for all new street or lane names (see Attachment C). Names are required for those streets or lanes which are submitted through:

- a) the subdivision process for new public streets and new private lanes and;
- b) the application process for existing un-named private lanes.

The Civic Addressing By-law defines a private lane as any street, road or travel way which serves three or more structures or facilities and is not owned by Halifax Regional Municipality or the Province of Nova Scotia. Therefore, all private lanes providing access to three or more structures or facilities must be named.

DISCUSSION

The following lists of street names have been reviewed in keeping with HRM's Civic Addressing Policies and By-law and staff advise that all of the proposed names are consistent with the Policies and By-law. Attachment B provides a more detailed discussion on each recommendation, including an evaluation of the names in relation to the Policies and By-law. Therefore, it is recommended that Regional Council approve all names, as contained in Attachment A.

Proposed Street Namings

1. Public Street Naming

Proposed Name	Community	Origin	Map	Rationale For Naming
Bearpaw Drive	Beaver Bank	Created through subdivision #18200	1	New public streets shall be named
Quail Ridge	Beaver Bank	Created through subdivision #18200	1	New public streets shall be named
Natura Drive	Hammonds Plains	Created through subdivision #19852	2	New public streets shall be named

2. Private Lane Naming

Proposed Name	Community	Origin	Map	Admin Order Criteria
Champions Way	Waverley	Created initially as a driveway	3	Lane will services at least 3 structures or facilities
Neuer Lane	Head of Jeddore	Created initially as a driveway	4	Lane will services at least 3 structures

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

A total of two new private lane signs and three public street signs are required. The costs for the five street name signs will be the responsibility of the property owners. The costs associated with the Administration of the HRM's Civic Addressing By-law and Administrative Order can be accommodated within the 2016-2017 operating budget for C420 Land Development and Subdivision.

RISK CONSIDERATION

There are no significant risks associated with the recommendations in this report.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The community engagement process is consistent with the intent of the HRM Community Engagement Strategy. The level of community engagement was notification and/or consultation with affected property owners in accordance with the HRM Civic Addressing By-law [Section 4(2)]. As per the standard consultation process all relevant property owners and tenants were notified and/or consulted by letter.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

No environmental implications were identified.

ALTERNATIVE

Regional Council may choose to refuse some or all of the street namings and renamings as contained in Attachment A. This alternative is not recommended as these street names meet the street naming criteria set out in HRM's Civic Addressing Policies (Administrative Order 29).

ATTACHMENTS

- Map 1: Bearpaw Drive and Quail Ridge, Beaver Bank
- Map 2: Natura Drive, Hammonds Plains
- Map 3: Champions Way, Waverley
- Map 4: Neuer Lane, Head of Jeddore
- Attachment A: Amending Administrative Order #29
- Attachment B: Project Details of Proposed Naming
- Attachment C: Administrative Order #29 Schedule A - Street Naming Guidelines

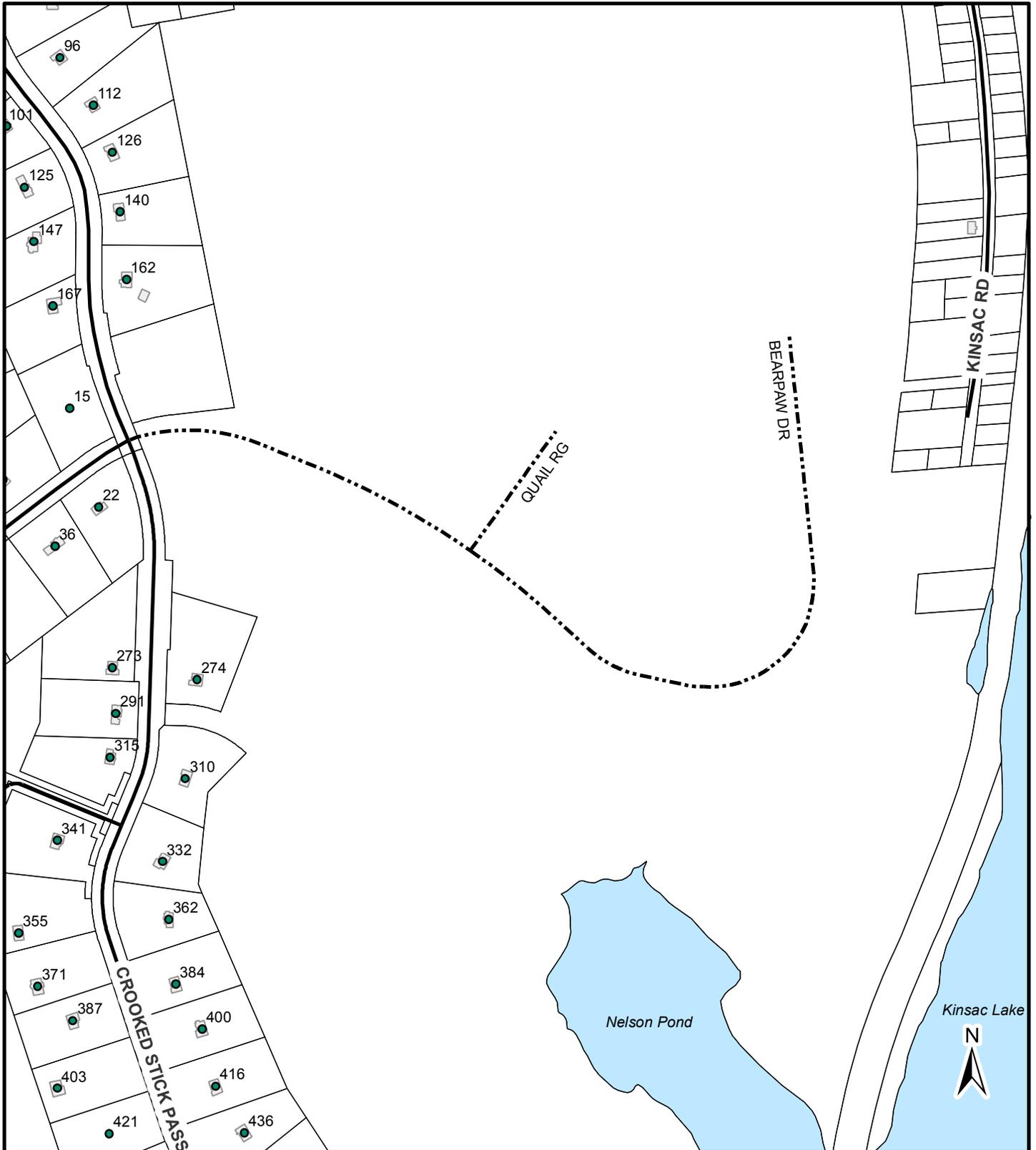
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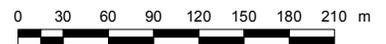
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Map 1 - Bearpaw Drive and Quail Ridge, Beaver Bank

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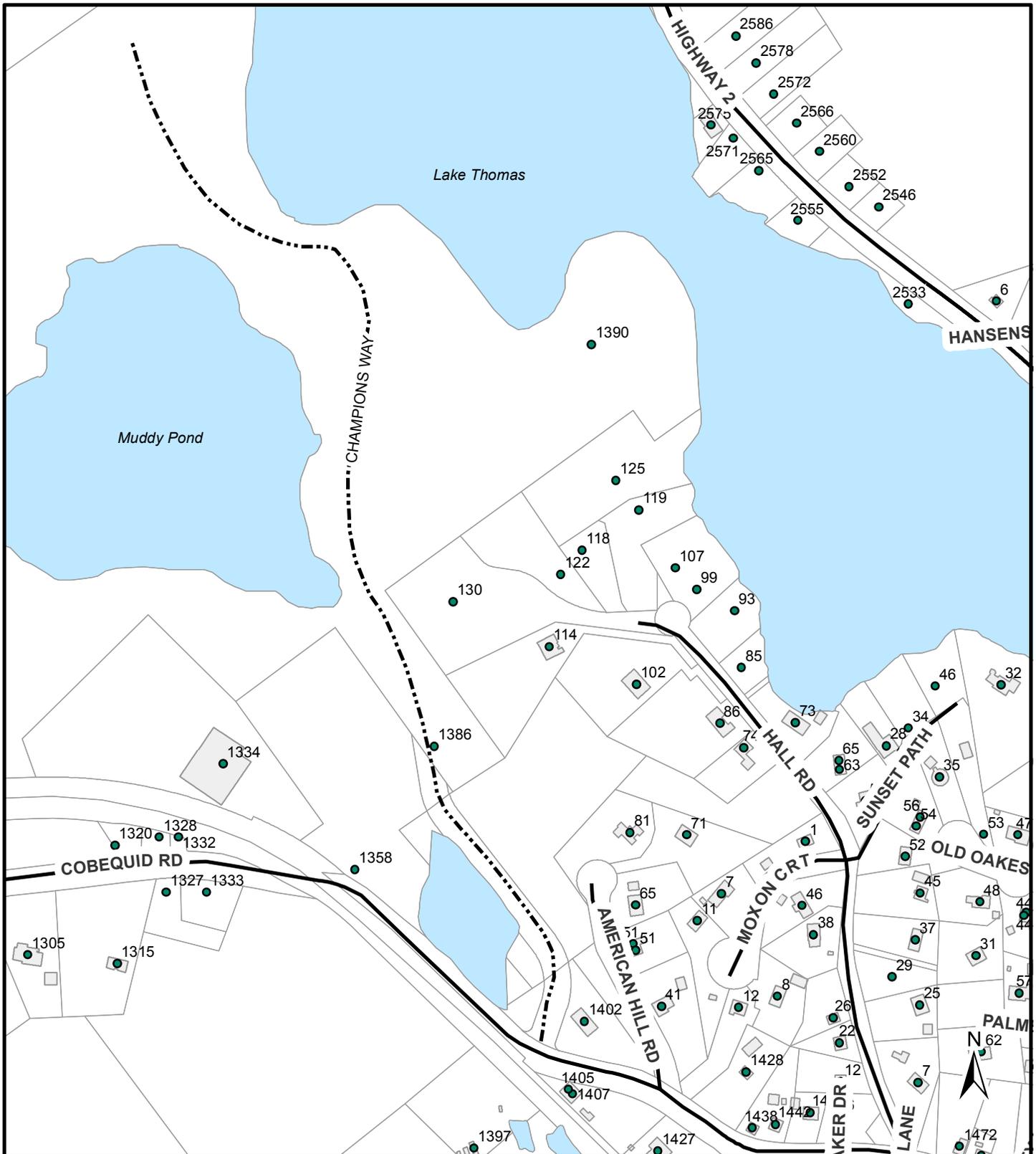
Map 2 - Natura Drive, Hammonds Plains

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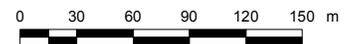
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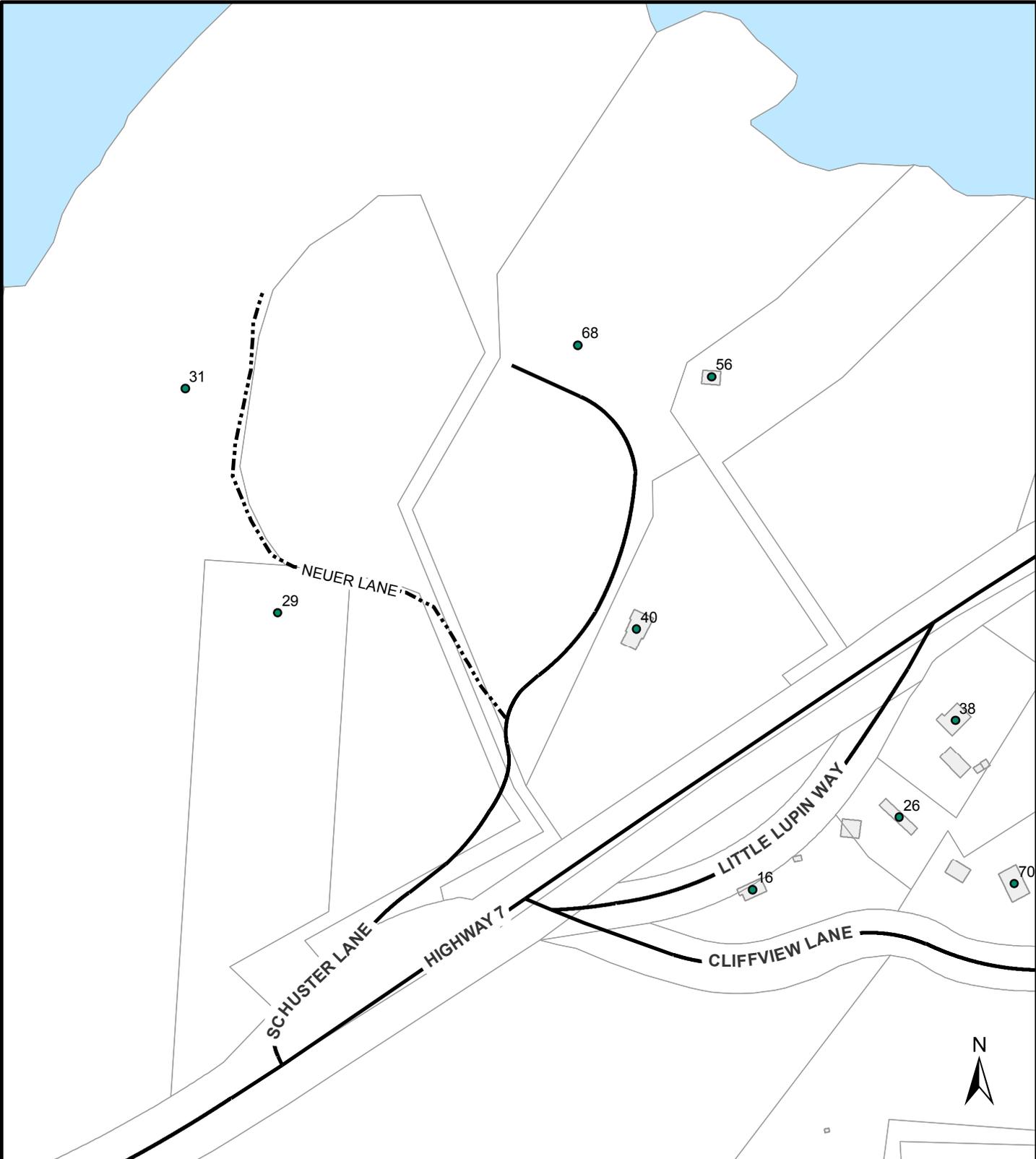
Map 3 - Champions Way, Waverley

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Map 4 - Neuer Lane, Head of Jeddore

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Attachment A:
(Amending Administrative Order #29)

**HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 29
RESPECTING HRM CIVIC ADDRESSING POLICIES**

BE IT RESOLVED that Administrative Order 29, Respecting HRM Civic Addressing Policies, is further amended as follows:

1. Schedule C is amended by:

- (a) adding the following row after the row starting “Bear” and before the row starting “Beeswanger”

BEARPAW	DRIVE	BEAVER BANK	<i>Date of Council Approval</i>
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- (b) adding the following row after the row starting “Champagne” and before the row starting “Chanterelle”

CHAMPIONS	WAY	WAVERLEY	<i>Date of Council Approval</i>
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- (c) adding the following row after the row starting “Nancy Osborne” and before the row starting “Nautical”:

NATURA	DRIVE	HAMMONDS PLAINS	<i>Date of Council Approval</i>
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- (d) adding the following row after the row starting “Ness” and before the row starting “Nevan”:

NEUER	LANE	HEAD OF JEDDORE	<i>Date of Council Approval</i>
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- (e) adding the following row after the row starting “Pusser” and before the row starting “Quarystone”:

QUAIL	RIDGE	BEAVER BANK	<i>Date of Council Approval</i>
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Attachment B: Project Details of Proposed Street Naming

1. Public Street Names:

a) Bearpaw Drive, Beaver Bank

Reason for the naming: This public street was created through subdivision #18200 (Map 1).

Civic Addressing By-law/Policy: *Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter* allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policies as submitted through the subdivision process for new public streets and new private roads

HRM Civic Addressing Public Safety Committee: The Committee does not provide recommendations on new public street names.

Proposed Name: Bearpaw Drive - This name was suggested by the developer. This name meets the street naming criteria laid out in the Policies.

Recommendation: In accordance with the By-law and Policies, civic addressing staff recommends that the new public street, as shown on Map 1, be named Bearpaw Drive.

b) Quail Ridge, Beaver Bank

Reason for the naming: This public street was created through subdivision #18200 (Map 1).

Civic Addressing By-law/Policy: *Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter* allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policies as submitted through the subdivision process for new public streets and new private roads

HRM Civic Addressing Public Safety Committee: The Committee does not provide recommendations on new public street names.

Proposed Name: Quail Ridge - This name was suggested by the developer. This name meets the street naming criteria laid out in the Policies.

Recommendation: In accordance with the By-law and Policies, civic addressing staff recommends that the new public street, as shown on Map 1, be named Quail Ridge.

c) Natura Drive, Hammonds Plains

Reason for
the naming:

This public street was created through subdivision #19852 (Map 2).

Civic Addressing
By-law/Policy:

Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policies as submitted through the subdivision process for new public streets and new private roads

HRM Civic Addressing
Public Safety
Committee:

The Committee does not provide recommendations on new public street names.

Proposed Name:

Natura Drive - This name was suggested by the developer. This name meets the street naming criteria laid out in the Policies.

Recommendation:

In accordance with the By-law and Policies, civic addressing staff recommends that the new public street, as shown on Map 2, be named Natura Drive.

2. Private Lane Namings:

a) Champions Way, Waverley

Reason for the naming: This private lane was originally the driveway for 1386 and 1390 Cobequid Rd. (Map 3).

Civic Addressing By-law/Policy: *Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter* allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policies as submitted through the subdivision process for new public streets and new private roads

HRM Civic Addressing Public Safety Committee: The Committee does not provide recommendations on new private lane names.

Proposed Name: Champions Way - This name was suggested by the Cheema Paddling Club, and confirmed with the land owner (Department of Natural Resources). This name meets the street naming criteria laid out in the Policies.

Recommendation: In accordance with the By-law and Policies, civic addressing staff recommends that the new private lane, as shown on Map 3, be named Champions Way. As this private lane naming is a correction to existing addresses, the Municipality will cover the installation cost of the private lane sign.

b) Neuer Lane, Head of Jeddore

Reason for the naming: This private lane was originally the driveway for 29 and 31 Schuster Lane, Head of Jeddore (Map 4)

Civic Addressing By-law/Policy: *Halifax Regional Municipality's Charter* allows for Regional Council to name and rename any street or private road in accordance with the Civic Addressing Policies as submitted through the subdivision process for new public streets and new private roads

HRM Civic Addressing Public Safety Committee: The Committee does not provide recommendations on new private lane names.

Proposed Name: Neuer Lane - This name was suggested by the property owners. This name meets the street naming criteria laid out in the Policies.

Recommendation: In accordance with the By-law and Policies, civic addressing staff recommends that the new private lane, as shown on Map 4, be named Neuer Lane. As this private lane naming is a correction to existing addresses, the Municipality will cover the installation cost of the private lane sign.

Schedule A Street Naming Guidelines

General Principles

Uniqueness - there should be no duplication of names.

Distinctiveness - names that sound very similar should be avoided in order to avoid diction problems when people are making emergency calls under stress .

Continuity - a road running in one direction should have one name only and should have the same name throughout its entire length.

Guidelines

Street Name Characteristics

- A1. No name shall be duplicated including similar names that are differentiated by street type.
- A2. No name shall sound like an existing name.
- A3. No name shall contain numbers, special characters, decimals, hyphens, apostrophes, periods, or punctuation of any kind.
- A4. No double barreled names shall be permitted except for HRM place names listed in the Nova Scotia Gazetteer or approved heritage names.
- A5. No streets names shall incorporate product, trademark or copyright names.
- A6. No name of more than 10 characters in length shall be permitted where the street type is more than 2 characters in length and no name of more than 11 characters in length shall be permitted where the street type is 2 characters in length except for HRM place names listed in the Nova Scotia Gazetteer or approved heritage names.

Street Type Definitions (new streets only)

A7. An appropriate street type shall be used as follows:

Street Type	Use Guideline <i>currently under review</i>	Primary Abbreviation (Database Application)	Secondary Abbreviation (Signage Application)	Notes
Avenue		AVE	AVE	
Boulevard		BLVD	BLVD	
<i>Brae</i>		<i>BRAE</i>	<i>BR</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Circle		CIRC	CIR	
Close		CLOSE	CL	
<i>Connector</i>		<i>CONN</i>	<i>CN</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Court		CRT	CT	
Crescent		CRES	CR	
<i>Crest</i>		<i>CREST</i>	<i>CRST</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
<i>Cross</i>		<i>CROSS</i>	<i>CRS</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
<i>Diversion</i>		<i>DIVRSN</i>	<i>DIV</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Drive		DR	DR	
<i>East</i>		<i>EAST</i>		<i>No longer accepted</i>
<i>Extension</i>		<i>EXTN</i>	<i>EXT</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Gate		GATE	GT	
<i>Gateway</i>		<i>GTWY</i>	<i>GWY</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Green		GREEN	GRN	
Grove		GROVE	GRV	
<i>Hall</i>		<i>HALL</i>	<i>HL</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Heights		HTS	HTS	
Highway		HWY	HWY	
Hill		HILL	HL	
Street Type	Use Guideline <i>currently under review</i>	Primary Abbreviation (Database Application)	Secondary Abbreviation (Signage Application)	Notes

Landing		LNDG	LDG	
Lane		LANE	LN	
Loop		LOOP	LP	
Park		PARK	PK	
Parkway		PKY	PKY	
Path		PATH	PTH	
Place		PLACE	PL	
Ramp		RAMP	RMP	
Ridge		RIDGE	RG	
Road		RD	RD	
Route		RTE	RTE	
Row		ROW	ROW	
Run		RUN	RUN	
<i>Siding</i>		<i>SI</i>	<i>SI</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
<i>Square</i>		<i>SQR</i>	<i>SQ</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Street		ST	ST	
Terrace		TERR	TR	
Trail		TRL	TL	
<i>Turn</i>		<i>TURN</i>	<i>TRN</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>
Walk		WALK	WK	
Water Access		WA		
Way		WAY	WAY	
<i>West</i>		<i>WEST</i>		<i>No longer accepted</i>
<i>Woods</i>		<i>WOODS</i>	<i>WDS</i>	<i>No longer accepted</i>

Italics indicates legacy street types that are no longer acceptable in HRM.

Street Network Considerations

- A8. Continuous streets shall have one name throughout their entire length.
- A9. No street name shall be continued through a right angle turn.
- A10. A continuous street intersecting the same collector road more than twice shall be given a different name.

- A11. The same name shall not be used at both ends of a loop road if the middle portion of the road has not been taken over by the Municipality.
- A12. A cul-de-sac shall have a different street name from its cross road.

Water Access

- A13. Where access to a property is by water only, the street name shall be deemed to be the name of the island or waterbody as listed in the Nova Scotia Gazetteer.

Heritage Names

- A14. The use of heritage names shall be encouraged.
- A15. All street names for the community of Bedford (Municipal District 21) shall conform with the former Town of Bedford Street Naming Policy (1987)¹ .

Theme Names

- A16. Where street names in a neighbourhood are based on a specific theme, the name of all new street within the neighbourhood shall be consistent with the theme.

¹ This policy is currently administered by the Development Officer for the Central Region