

March 30, 2021

TO: Chair and Directors of the RDOS Board

RE: Park naming and signage at the Heritage Hills Park

As residents of Heritage Hills and founding members of the Heritage Hills/Lakeshore Highlands Community Association, we are pleased to learn that the naming of and signage at the Heritage Hills park will be going before you for reconsideration at your upcoming meeting on Thursday, April 1st.

In revisiting this controversial decision, we vehemently request that the Board and its staff carefully retrace the various steps from the park naming clause in RDOS's donation agreement with the developer, signed in 2015, to the Board selection of the developer's proposed name by a 11-8 vote at its meeting in Sept. 2019.

In our view, there have been several disturbing missteps along the way, ranging from alleged failure to follow due policy and process in the donation agreement for the park land to complete lack of consideration for the wishes of Heritage Hill residents, obtained by an extensive consultation process, in the naming of the park. For details, many of these legitimate concerns are clearly laid out in the Okanagan Falls (Area "D") Parks and Recreation Commission document prepared for submission to the RDOS Board on November 13, 2020.

In undertaking this review process, any unfortunate mistakes must be freely acknowledged, and, where feasible, corrective action taken. In the event the Board's final decision is to retain the current name, which we sincerely hope will not be the case, it is incumbent on the Board to clearly communicate the overriding basis of this decision and to indicate how every effort was made to accommodate the wishes of us folks here in Heritage Hills.

Respectfully yours,
Malcolm and Sandra Paterson
Heritage Hills

Debbie Schulz

From: Debbie Schulz
Sent: March 30, 2021 11:28 AM
To: Debbie Schulz
Subject: FW: Heritage Park

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From: Anne Kolodychuk
Sent: March 29, 2021 8:17 PM
To: Christy Malden <cmalden@rdos.bc.ca>
Subject: Heritage Park

Christy Malden

Re residence 301 Heritage Blvd. Heritage Hills.

purchased our home in heritage hills 25 years ago, at that time the sales person stated that a park would be developed in this area IT DID NOT HAPPEN.

and Susan Lychak formed an association of the community 10 yrs ago and the residents working together developed the park which we now have.

We all choose Skaha Vista Park at Heritage Hills.

A & B Kolodychuk..... 25 year residence.

BOARD.

Both Anne and I have

Doug

It belongs to the community and should be named by the associated.

Thanks,

Note: Please forward to RDOS

Debbie Schulz

From: Debbie Schulz
Sent: March 30, 2021 11:26 AM
To: Debbie Schulz
Subject: FW: Pls forward to RDOS

From: Helga Leith
Sent: March 30, 2021 10:53 AM
To: Christy Malden <cmalden@rdos.bc.ca>
Subject: Fwd: Pls forward to RDOS
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Begin forwarded message:

From: Helga Leith
Date: March 27, 2021 at 4:35:45 PM PDT
To: bnewell@rdos.bc.ca
Subject: Pls forward to RDOS

We are sending this email to object to the ridiculous name given to our park in Heritage Hills. No one knows who this Garnett is and nor do we care. Many residents have spent countless hours making this park happen and to name it after an unknown person is to ignore the wishes of all the people who live here.

Leith and Helga Benson

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