

Street names selection is a ?joke?

It was not surprising when I read the names of those people who could get a street named after them. The progression continues from mayor to mayor in Aurora. In my opinion, patronage is wrong especially when you are overlooking so many people who truly have done something so worthy as to get a street named after them.

I have always said that the folks who really deserve this honour are those who have put their lives on the line to keep Canada and other countries free, our veterans and those today, that are protecting freedom.

It is so sad that not only on the Federal level that continues to abuse our veteran's rights, but even here at municipal level where the councils continue to pay back those people who have helped them get elected.

Again, in my opinion, of the current list, Jones, Wallace, Hinder, Constable, there might be an argument for two of these, Steve Hinder, due to his volunteer work and Ron Wallace, due to his service starting The Auroran and giving so much to the community. Tim Jones, as mayor voted against protecting the Oak Ridges Moraine, and as for Don Constable other than helping Jones and Dawe get elected, I do not understand this one at all.

Please, if you believe that patronage should not happen and that common sense should prevail when naming streets, call your Councillors and let them know that you are disappointed in their choices.

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(Editor's note: also among those added to Aurora's bank of potential street names last week were retired MPP Frank Klees and, posthumously, long-time community volunteer and advocate Florence Murray)