

May 7, 2019

County of St. Paul
5101-49th Avenue
St. Paul, Alberta
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Dear Members of the County of St. Paul;

Re: Renaming Range Road 101 to Viel Road

My name is Carmen Brockbank (nee Viel). **I am requesting your permission in renaming Range Road 101 from Hwy 28th to Grassy Island lake ``Viel Road``**. I would like to see a sign posted off Highway 28 on Range Road 101 at both ends. My Grandfather and his brother Francois came to the west to homestead. They built a shack in 1910 "original homestead" on the quarter section of SW 25-60-10-W4. This was Francoise's homestead, but Francois died in the winter of 1911 logging in Olds, AB. My grandfather Joseph bought and cleared both Francois and his own land. He lived in the shack for a few years until he later built the family home located NE 23-60-10-W4. This house is well over 100 years old is still standing and is still occupied.

My intentions is to commemorate my grandfather for his many contributions to the Mallaig Hamlet as one of the founding fathers. To list some of his contribution were:

1. He sold land for the first school in Mallaig ``Grassy Island School No. 3885`` in 1919.
2. He was member of the School Trustees for the district getting funding for building of the school and attaining furniture.
3. He housed many of the teachers while they taught at the school.
4. He petitioned to bring the Roman Catholic Church to Mallaig.
5. Donating land the Roman Catholic Cemetery located just on the outskirt of Mallaig.
6. He also one of the directors for Mallaig first Credit Union.
7. He was also a representative for Mallaig on the Town Council.
8. Mallaig Town Water Well was dug on land sold to the county which belong to my father but originally owned by my grandfather.

After all of his contributions, I would hate to see the Viel name forgotten in this Hamlet which was originally known as Viel corner.

Please help me honor a man I never knew, but admire and am so proud of being his descendant.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and kindness.

Sincerely yours,

Carmen Brockbank