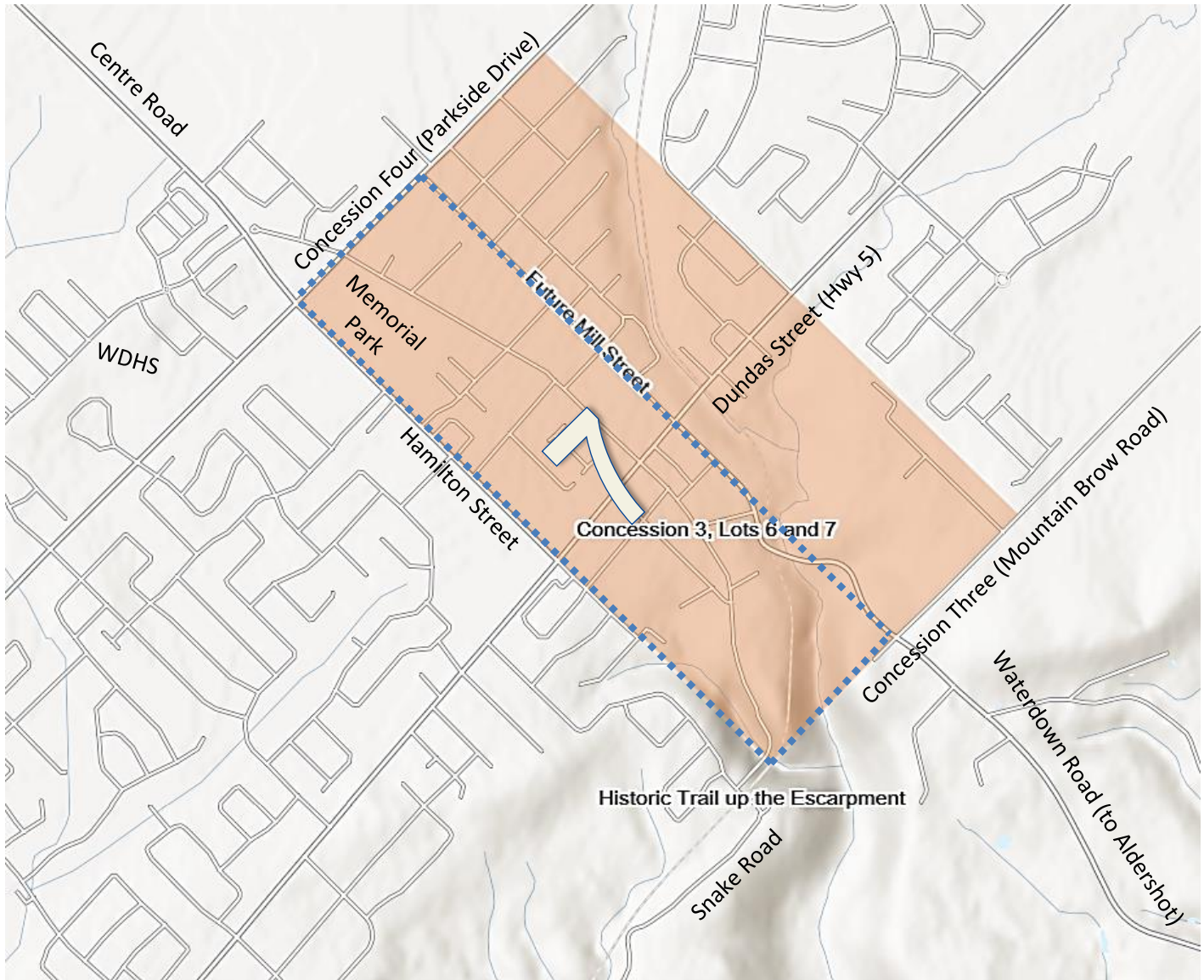


The Foundations of Waterdown – the world views and structures that allowed it to be created

On the next sheet is a reproduction of the official private property record for Lot 7 in the Village of Waterdown (pictured below).



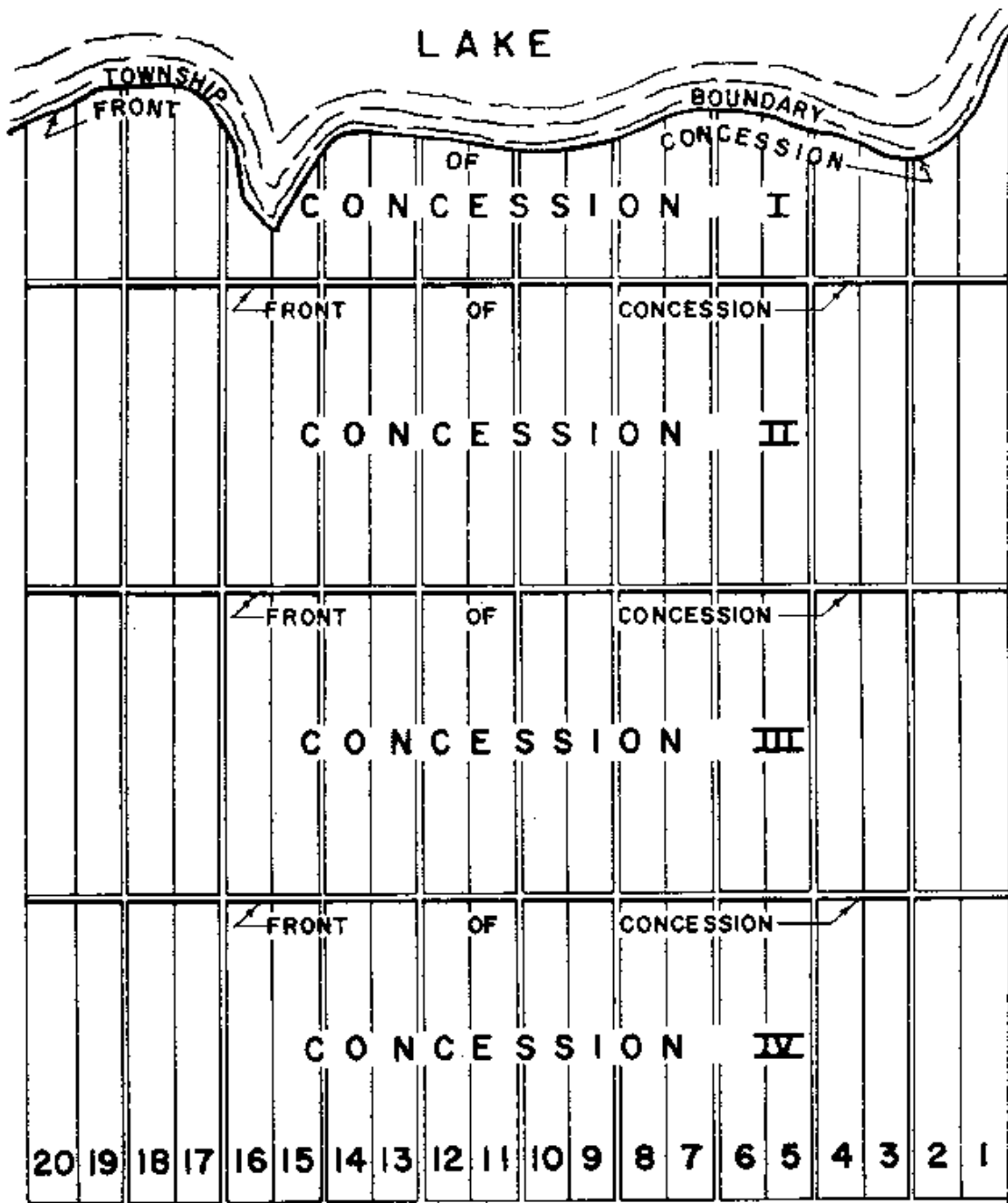
What are some observations, and/or questions, that come to mind when looking at the above map, as well as the official private property record for Lot 7?

... .. our first July 11. of 11th year over and in lot 7. Con: sp of east boundary

No. of INSTRUMENT	INSTRUMENT	ITS DATE	DATE OF REGISTRY	GRANTOR	GRANTEE	Consideration or Amount of Mortgage	QUANTITY OF LAND - REMARKS
	Patent	23 Aug 1796		The Crown	Alex. Macdonnell		Lot 7, Con: sp of East from 200'
J.P. 6	Mem ^o of 10 July 1797 Dio	15 July 1797	15 July 1797	Alex ^r & Buldip & M ^{rs} Mackintosh	Alex ^r & Buldip & M ^{rs} Mackintosh	160	Lot 7 Con: sp of East - 200'
J.P. 45	Dio	23 July 1801	3 Aug 1801	Alex ^r & Buldip & M ^{rs} Mackintosh having as buldip & Mackintosh	Alex ^r M ^c Donnell		Trage 6 J.P.
J.P. 582	Mem ^o 28 Dio	29 Mar 1805	17 Feb 1805	Alex ^r & M ^{rs} Donnell Ann his wife	Alexander Brown	225.00	Lot 7 Con: in front of 3 rd Con: at 20' - of Lot 7 then N. 45° W. 100' to allie for 200' in rear of said Concession then S. 45° W. 20' to P th lot - Lot 7 779 then S. 45° W. 100' to Road in front of said Con. then N. 45° E. 20' to beginning of 400'
B. 688	Memorial 4 July	9 July 1821	31 July 1821	Alex ^r Brown	Quetton St George & M ^{rs} Mary Paulson his wife	125.98 3/8	150' of Lot 7 Con: 3
" 702	Dio	17 Sep 1821	2 Oct 1821	Quetton St. George by his Atty. William W. Paulson	Alexander Brown		Trage B' 688
" 715	Memorial 4 Oct 1821 Dio	3 Oct 1821 Mem ^o date	7 Nov 1821	Alex ^r & Praston Brown	Charger C Griffin	225.00	Con: in front of 3 rd Con: at S.E. - of Lot 7 then N. 45° W. 100' then S. 45° W. 20' to allie for P th then S. 45° E. 20' to Dundas St. then N. 50° E. along Dundas St. 12' which is opposite Jas. Gresson's corner then S. 45° E. Crossing said Street 29° 9' (Dundas St. crossed) to a stake, then S. 86° 20' E. 40' to a Red oak tree (and on a line of survey of land sold Jas. Gresson) then S. 66° E. 100' Gresson's line around 20' to a stake, then S. 45° W. (from Gresson's line around 40' all it indicate Concession line then N. 45° E. 20' to -

What is a concession:

“Concession line” is principally an Ontario term for the straight country roads, parallel to one another, upon which farm lots face. They are complemented by perpendicular side roads, which together create a gridwork that covers each respective township. Each rectangle of roads commonly embraces 10 farm lots of 100 acres (40.5 ha) in size. During the 19th-century era of initial settlement in Ontario, these lots were conceded (hence “concession”) by the Crown to individual applicants seeking title in exchange for raising a house, performing roadwork and land clearance, and money.¹



¹ McIlwraith, T. R. (2009, August 30). Concession Line. Retrieved from <https://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/concession-line>
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