



NEIGHBOURHOOD DESCRIPTION

Bisset is one of 26 neighbourhoods in Mill Woods. The Government of Alberta assembled the Mill Woods land bank in 1970. Mill Woods was named for Mill Creek which crossed it and the groves of Parkland forest trees that stood there.

In early plans, Bisset was first intended to be an area of considerable high density development, but as the neighbourhood developed some areas were “down zoned” and re-subdivided for low density single-detached homes. Most residential development in Bisset occurred during the 1980s. Bisset belongs to the Ridgewood Community League that was founded on June 2, 1982.

Bisset is located between 23 Avenue and 34 Avenue, and 34 Street and Mill Woods Road East. Another collector road and bus route, 26 Avenue, bisects it. The design objective for the neighbourhood was to provide for an efficient flow of traffic to and from the neighbourhood while minimizing traffic impacts on interior residential streets. Interior streets follow curvilinear and cul-de-sac patterns. A number of strategically placed pathways and the open space of a pipeline right-of-way promote pedestrian and bicycle travel within the neighbourhood.

The neighbourhood was named in honour of Judge Athelstan Bisset, Q.C., who served overseas in the First World War and upon his return set up a law practice in Strathcona from 1919-1952. He served as Alderman for 15 years and in 1952 was appointed Judge of Family Court.