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The Township of Pittsburgh

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Registered Mail

September 26, 1983

Chairman
Ontario Heritage Foundation
77 Bloor Street West
7th Floor
Toronto, Ontario
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Dear Sir:

Re: Designation of a Certain Property of
Architectural Value or Interest
Township of Pittsburgh, County of
Frontenac

✓ Pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 337,
paragraph 29(6), enclosed please find a certified true copy of By-law
No. 24-83, being a by-law to designate a certain property of architectural
value, or interest.

Yours truly,

Beulah N. Webb

Mrs. Beulah N. Webb, AMCT
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PITTSBURGH

BY-LAW NO. 24-83

A By-law to designate a certain property as a property of historic and architectural value or interest.

WHEREAS Section 29 of THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, RSO 1980, Chapter 337, authorizes the Council of a Municipality to enact by-laws to designate property to be of historic or architectural value or interest;

AND WHEREAS notice of intention to designate a certain property within the municipality was served on the owner of the property and on The Ontario Heritage Foundation on the 7th day of March, 1983 and was published in the Whig Standard, a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality, on March 7, 14 and 21, 1983;

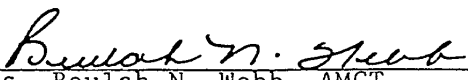
AND WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "B" attached hereto;

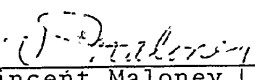
AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the following proposed designation has been served on the Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk.

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Pittsburgh ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

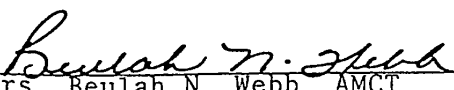
- 1). The following property be and is hereby designated as being of historic and architectural value of interest, namely,
Part of Lot 1, Concession East of the Great Cataraqui River;
[REDACTED], owner.
- 2). The above mentioned property is more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto.
- 3). This By-law shall come into force and take effect on the day of passing.


READ A FIRST AND SECOND TIME THIS 6th DAY OF September, 1983.


Mrs. Beulah N. Webb, AMCT
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

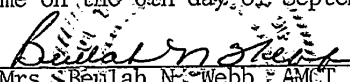

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Reeve

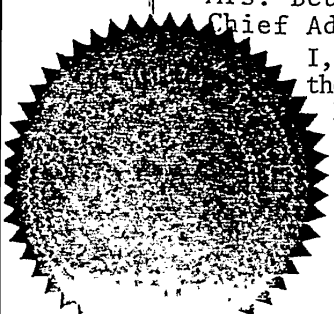
READ A THIRD AND FINAL TIME THIS 6th DAY OF September 1983.


Mrs. Beulah N. Webb, AMCT
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk


J. Vincent Maloney,
Reeve

I, Beulah N. Webb, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of Pittsburgh do hereby certify that this is a true copy of By-law No. 24-83 read a third and final time on the 6th day of September, 1983.


Mrs. Beulah N. Webb, AMCT
Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk



Part of Lot 1, E.G.C.R.;
[REDACTED], owner.

(ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel of tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Township of Pittsburgh, in the County of Frontenac and being composed of Part of Lot 1 East of the Great Cataraqui River in the said Township and more particularly described as follows:

PREMISING that the bearings mentioned herein are astronomic and are referred to the meridian through the easterly boundary of Lot 39, Concession 4, Township of Pittsburgh [Formerly Kingston Township];

COMMENCING at the point where the southerly limit of Lot 1 intersects the south easterly limit of Provincial Highway No. 15 (as established by Highway Plan No. P-2628-34, registered as Plan No. 767);

THENCE north 39 degrees 4 minutes east along the south easterly limit of said Highway a distance of 300 feet;

THENCE south easterly perpendicular to said Highway limit a distance of 150 feet;

THENCE south 39 degrees 4 minutes west parallel to said Highway limit to a point in the fence-line marking the southerly limit of Lot 1;

THENCE westerly along the said southerly limit of Lot 1 to the point of commencement.

Historic and Architectural value or interest:

Location: Part of Lot 1, E.G.C.R.

Present Owner: [REDACTED]

Original Owner: William Lyon Mackenzie Baxter

Date of Construction: c1865

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The Baxter house is a one and a half storey red brick dwelling with a coursed, cut limestone foundation. It is built on a rectangular plan. There is a smaller one and a half storey, center gabled, wing attached to the north side of the house. On the east side is an attached single storey woodshed.

All window openings are flatheaded and are double hung with the exception of the window found under the center gable on the main (west) facade. All window openings have voussoirs and wooden (or concrete replacement) lugsills.

The main block has a medium-pitched roof with projecting eaves and exposed beam ends along with eave soffit. The medium-pitched centre gable over the main (west) facade has a decorative bargeboard trim. A pointed finial graces the peak of the gable. Originally, there were single brick chimneys at both the north and south gable peaks of the main block; today only the chimney at the north end remains instiu.

The three-by main (west) facade has a recessed central doorway framed by sidelights consisting of three lights over a solid wood panel. Over the door is a semi-elliptical fanlight. There are radiating voussoirs above and a stone sill below the doorway opening. The door itself is of the four-panelled design. There is one window on each side of the main doorway. These windows (as indeed, all windows on the main block with the exception of the centre gable window) have six lights per sash. The gable window is a roundheaded casement window, with three full and three half-panes per side.

The south facade has two upper and one lower storey window. Originally there were two windows on the lower storey but one has since been bricked-up. There is a basement window well directly below this, in the stone foundation.

There is one window on the upper storey of the north facade.

The east (rear) facade has a central window, a segmental-headed doorway in the north bay, and a narrow window with four lights per sash in the south bay. Directly above the narrow window there is a hipped dormer with a six-light window. There is a basement window well directly below in the foundation wall.

The north wing is one and a half storeys high with a medium-pitched, end-gabled, roof. There is a central gable on the west facade of this wing. The roof has projecting eaves and exposed rafters along the soffit of the eaves. The centre gable is decorated with a carved bargeboard trim. A single brick chimney is located at the north end of the gable peak.

The west facade (north wing) has a central plain-trim door on the lower storey and a window to the north of it. A verandah, supported on four posts decorated with brackets, shelters the ground storey. The central gable doorway on the upper storey has a single light, triangular, transom. This door opens onto a small wooden balcony.

The north and east facades of the north wing both have one upper and one lower storey window.

A woodshed on the east side is constructed of brick on a stone foundation. It has a medium-pitched, end-gabled roof. The south side has a plain wooden door with a cement lintel. The east side has a small six-light window.

Both the north wing and the woodshed were added to the house by Patrick Fowler shortly after he purchased the house in 1888.

HISTORY:

George Baxter bought the land upon which this house was built from Richard Cartwright in 1827. Baxter had emigrated to Canada from Dundee, Scotland, in 1818 and at one time held the position of headmaster of the Royal Grammar School in Kingston. He was the first owner of the large residence known as "Cataraqui Grange," situated across the road from this house. He was also one of the founders of St. Mark's Church in the Village of Barriefield.

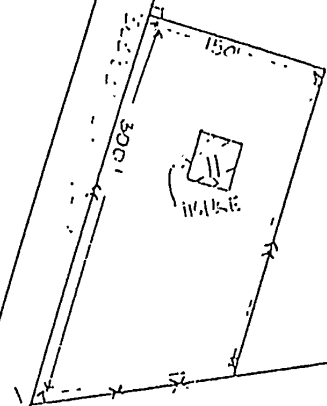
In his will of 1866, George Baxter bequeathed the 125 acres comprising this property to his son. William Lyon Mackenzie Baxter. The present Baxter-Fowler house was either built by William or his father, circa 1865.

William sold the property in 1874 after becoming an inspector of weights and measures in Kingston. Subsequently, in 1888, Mathew Brynes sold the property to Patrick Fowler and the property has remained in the possession of the Fowler family since that date.

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LOT 1

HIGHWAY NO. 15



Fence Line Between Lots 1 AND 2

LOT 2

L.A.C.A.C. Designation

BAXTER HOUSE CONCESSION E.G.C.R. Part of LOT 1

