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Office of the Clerk



March 31, 2005 File No. 310701

REGISTERED MAIL

Ontario Heritage Foundation 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Designation of 366 Ridge Road North, Fort Erie

Ontario Heritage Act

Please be advised the Municipal Council of the Town of Fort Erie at its Regular meeting held March 29, 2005, approved By-law No. 46-05, being a by-law to designate 366 Ridge Road North, under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

Pursuant to Section 29(6)(a) of the Ontario Heritage Act, you are hereby served with a certified copy of By-law No. 46-05.

Yours very truly,

Sally Saunders Deputy Clerk

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SS/ss Attach.

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R. Chapman, LACAC Committee

D. Heyworth, Senior Policy Advisor

C. Kett, Town Clerk



The Municipal Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie

BY-LAW NO. 46-05

BEING A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE LANDS AT 366 RIDGE ROAD NORTH AS BEING OF ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL VALUE OR INTEREST UNDER THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

WHEREAS Section 29 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18, as amended, authorizes the council of a municipality to pass a by-law to designate a property within the municipality to be of historic or architectural value or interest, and

WHEREAS notice of intention to designate as required under Section 29(1) of the aforesaid *Act* was served on the owner of the property described as Plan 227 PT Parish Grounds, NP 349, Township of Bertie, now in the Town of Fort Erie and known municipally as 366 Ridge Road North and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, and

WHEREAS notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid property was published in The Times, a newspaper having general circulation in the Town of Fort Erie, on February 26, March 5 and March 12, 2005, and

WHEREAS the reasons for the designation are set out in Schedule "A" annexed hereto and forming part of this by-law, and

WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie hereby enacts as follows:

- 1. **THAT** the building on property known municipally as 366 Ridge Road North and described as Plan 227 PT Parish Grounds, NP 349, Township of Bertie, now in the Town of Fort Erie, in the Regional Municipality of Niagara, be and it is hereby designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.
- 2. THAT the Clerk shall cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the title to the aforesaid property in the local Land Registry Office, as required by Section 29(6)(a) of the Ontario Heritage Act.
- 3. THAT the Clerk shall cause a copy of this by-law to be served on the owner of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of the passing of this by-law to be published in The Times, a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.

- **4. THAT** the Clerk shall include the designation of the aforesaid property in the Register which is kept by the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie pursuant to Section 27 of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O., Chapter O.18, as amended.
- 5. THAT pursuant to the provisions of Section 227 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie is hereby authorized to effect any minor modifications or corrections of an administrative, numerical, grammatical, semantical or descriptive nature or kind to the by-law and schedule(s) as may be deemed necessary after the passage of this by-law.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 29^{TH} DAY OF MARCH, 2005.

MAYOR

I, Carolyn J. Kett, Clerk, of The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie hereby certify the foregoing to be a true certified copy of By-law No. 46-05 of the said Town. Given under my hand and the seal of the said Corporation this 31 day of March.

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

HISTORICAL

The People's Memorial Church in Ridgeway was built in 1872 and was opened to perpetuate the memory of those who died in the Battle of Ridgeway. In the Narthex of the Church hangs a marble tablet bearing the names of the men who sacrificed their lives in the defence of their country against the Fenian invaders. The first Boy Scout Troop in the area was started in the Church in 1910 and in 1939 the Red Cross set up in the Sunday School.

ARCHITECTUAL

The wooden frame of the church is typical to churches built in the mid 1800's. The original size of the Church was 35 ft. long by 56 ft. wide with an end gallery, tower and steeple rising 94 ft. There have been three additions to the Church consisting of a Sunday school room (1910), a basement (1925) and a gymnasium (1932). Most of the interior is original and well maintained. The noteworthy features are listed as follows:

- The double exterior doors are each made of five vertical oak panels with a four-pane gothic glass insert.
- The double interior entrance doors have four recessed panels with cove fielding. The upper panels are elongated in shape.
- The interior vestibule doors have two recessed panels with cove fielding on the bottom, a recessed lock rail also with cove fielding and a four pane frosted glass insert in the top. The vestibule wall, which was built in 1910, has wainscotting on the bottom and frosted glass on the top.
- There is a quatrefoil over the front doors with memorial stain glass behind it.
- The walls of the church have chestnut wainscotting, topped by a chair rail. Each board has a bead edge at the join.
- The gallery is fronted by a carved rail with recessed gothic arches accentuated with cove moulding separated by plain colonetts. It is topped with torus shaped moulding.
- The square Doric support columns in the gallery are fluted and have plain bases and caps.