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August 26, 1987

The Ontario Heritage Foundation
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Dear Sir/Madam:

Please find enclosed a copy of By-law 290-87, being a by-law to designate Lund's General Store, 10933 Jane Street, Teston. The Reasons for Designation are attached.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Patricia K. Neal', written in a cursive style.

Patricia K. Neal
Coordinator, Heritage Resources

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Attach.

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF VAUGHAN

BY-LAW NUMBER 290-87

A By-law to designate Lund's General Store located on the property known municipally as 10933 Jane Street, Teston, in the Town of Vaughan, Regional Municipality of York, as being of architectural and historical value or interest.

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural or historical value or interest; and,

WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Vaughan has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as Lund's General Store, 10933 Jane Street, Teston, being Part of Lot 27, Concession 4, in the Town of Vaughan, in the Regional Municipality of York, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto; and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such notice of intention to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality one for each of three consecutive weeks; and,

WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the Municipality:

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Vaughan ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:


1. There is designated as being of architectural value or interest the building known as Lund's General Store, situated at 10933 Jane Street, Teston, being Part of Lot 27, Concession 4, in the Town of Vaughan, in the Regional Municipality of York, more particularly described in Schedule "A", attached hereto.
2. The reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "B", attached hereto.
3. The Town Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A", attached hereto, in the proper land registry office.

4. The Town Clerk is hereby authorized to 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 same newspaper in which notice of intention to so designate was published once of each of three consecutive weeks.

READ a FIRST and SECOND time this 17th day of August, 1987.



L. D. Jackson, Mayor




R. Parizeau, Town Clerk

READ a THIRD time and finally passed, this 17th day of August, 1987.



L. D. Jackson, Mayor



R. Parizeau, Town Clerk

DESCRIPTION OF LANDS

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate lying and being in the Town of Vaughan, in the Regional Municipality of York, in the Province of Ontario and being composed of part of the west half of Lot 27, Concession 4, in the said Town which parcel of land may be more particularly described as follows:

Premising that the easterly limit of the Road Allowance between Concession IV and V, being also the easterly limit of Jane Street, has a bearing of north $9^{\circ} 40'30''$ west and relating all bearing herein thereto;

Commencing at a point in the easterly limit of the road allowance between Concession 4 and 5 distant 71.92 feet more or less measured on a bearing of north $9^{\circ} 40'30''$ west from the southwest angle of the said Lot 27;

Thence North $9^{\circ} 40'30''$ west along the easterly limit of the said road allowance a distance of 92.38 feet more or less to a point;

Thence North $77^{\circ} 01'45''$ east along an old post and wire fence a distance of 304.50 feet more or less to a point in an old post and wire fence;

Thence South $10^{\circ} 45'10''$ east along an old post and wire fence a distance of 76.40 feet more or less to a point;

Thence south $74^{\circ} 04'35''$ west a distance of 307.27 feet more or less to the point of commencement.

As in Registered Instrument 415659.



LUND'S GENERAL STORE

10933 JANE STREET, TESTON

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TESTON

Construction date: 1870

Original owner: Joseph Lund

Reason for Designation: Lund's General Store, constructed in 1870 features two large multi-paned, arcaded, storefront windows aside a recessed entranceway; features which clearly characterize the structure's merchantile origins. Decorative trimwork below the eaves reflects the arched design of the windows. This building is one of the few remaining structures in Teston which played an important role in the Village's moderate commercial infrastructure. Furthermore, its role of providing materials and goods to Teston's early residents was an essential element of 19th century lifestyle.

LUND'S GENERAL STORE
10933 JANE STREET, TESTON

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

The entire 200 acres that comprise Lot 27, Concession 4, was granted by the Crown to King's College on January 3, 1828. Following a 37 year period of ownership, King's College sold the west 3/4 of the lot equalling 150 acres to John Hadwin. Hadwin sold two acres in the south west corner of the lot to Joseph Lund on December 26, 1865 for the price of \$300.

Exactly when Lund and other members of his clan settled in the area is uncertain. However, like many of Teston's first inhabitants, the Lunds may have originally immigrated from Lancashire, England. There is no mention of Joseph Lund as a landholder or tenant prior to his purchase of the property in 1865. Lund may have previously resided in Markham or another village and migrated to Teston in that year.

During his residency in Teston Lund was quite an entrepreneur. Already occupied as a carriage and wagon maker, and a blacksmith, Lund advertised his newest undertaking in the York Herald on January 24, 1868. In reference to his new mortuary service the advertisement boasted that "Mr. Lund wishes to inform the public that he has provided a new and very handsome hearse which he can furnish with single or double team of matched black horses, white and black plumes, scarfs, gloves and hatbands. All available on the shortest notice and the lowest rates."

In addition to his various business enterprises Lund served as a local preacher of the Primitive Methodists. He was also instrumental in establishing the Hope Primitive Methodist Church in 1858.

In the 1870's, Teston boasted two general stores. One establishment was operated by a gentleman named Wilson. While it is generally agreed that the structure at 10933 Jane Street was built in 1870, there is some conjecture regarding who originally built the store. Some sources contend that R. Walker built and operated the store and later sold it to Joseph Lund. A more colourful accounting of the store's origin claims that Lund was displeased with the exorbitant prices Mr. Wilson was charging for coal oil. Lund's displeasure prompted him to build his own store in spite. For this reason his establishment was known as the 'spite' store.

LUND'S GENERAL STORE

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

Lund's General Store is a wood frame structure that is designed in a rectangular plan with a short facade. Connected to the main structure on the rear and north elevations are one-storey extensions. Lacking a basement and any semblance of a conventional concrete foundation the entire two-storey building rests on a substructure composed of brick and broad wood beams. The exterior wall material consists of vertical wooden planking which is presently covered in red insulbrick.

The facade reflects structural and architectural design features that characterize the building as both a general store and as a residence. The quality of functions is clearly indicated by the presence of two entrances on the west elevation. The store entrance, the more elaborate of the two, is located in the centre of the facade. The residential entrance is located left of centre. Both entrances are topped with flat transom blinds. The transom over the store entrance consists of multiple lights. Apart from this commonality in design, the styling of the two entrances is extremely diverse.

Whereas the store entrance is slightly recessed with side lights on both sides, the residential entrance is flush with the wall and lacks any features within the structural opening. The store is accessed through a door consisting of two leaves composed of glass and wood. The residential entrance contains a single leaf and multipanelled wooden door. The most unique feature of the structure is the decorative wooden trim located on the storefront windows and entrance.

Although generally lacking in unique qualities the vast array of window design provides for one of the few peculiarities of the structure. Each elevation appears to have a different window style. Some of which differ only slightly while others differ quite significantly. The most typical window is doublehung, consisting of two sashes within a flat woodframe, resting on a plain wooden slipsill. There are also windows that are semi elliptical in shape such as the one located on the first floor of the facade slightly left of the residential entrance.

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CONCLUSION

10933 Jane Street is a one-hundred and sixteen year old structure that is extremely basic in structural design and styling. Basically it is a plain, box-like structure. The building's sole saving grace is the recessed store entrance and the decorative trim on the store windows. These stylings clearly characterize the structures merchantile origins. At present the building is in poor condition and requires much attention pertaining to structural improvement.

Apart from the fundamental design and its present state of disrepair, Lund's General Store is one of the few remaining structures in Teston which played an important role in the villages moderate commercial infrastructure. Furthermore, its role of providing materials and goods for Teston's early residents was an essential element of 19th century lifestyle.

Report prepared by Mark Cunliffe, July, 1986.

APPENDIX "A"

- Lund's General Store, circa 1870
10933 Jane Street, Teston.
- The house was originally said to be constructed and
owned by Joseph Lund, a Teston merchant.
- The property was recently purchased by [REDACTED]

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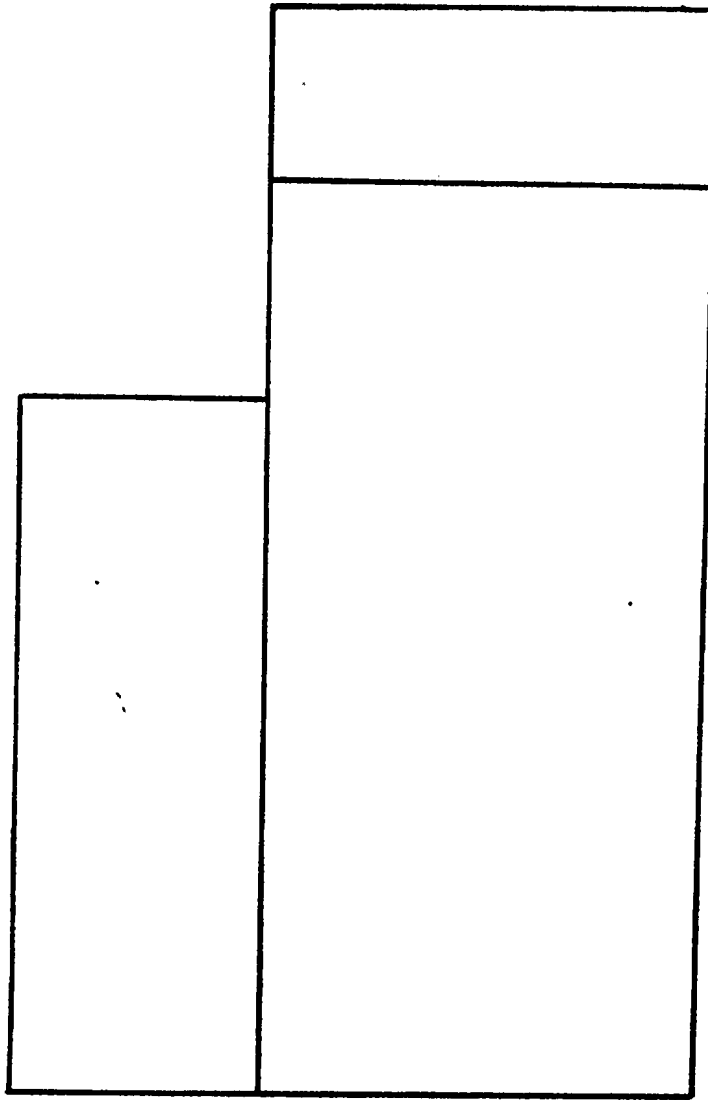
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Jane Street

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View depicting west elevation.



View of Lund's General Store as you approach it from the south.



Southeast elevation.



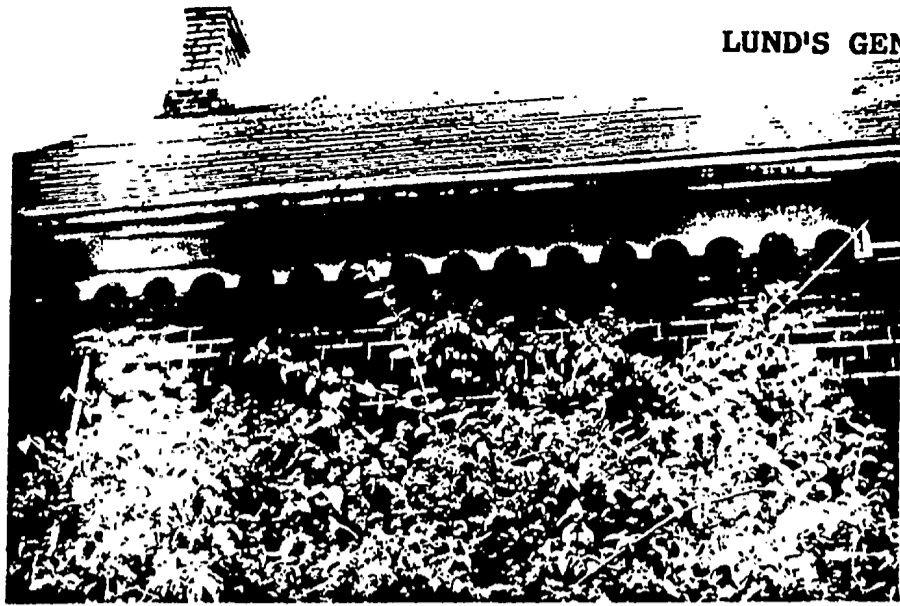
Northeast elevation.



View depicting southwest elevation.



Detail of storefront windows, west elevation.



Moulding detail along side elevations.



Window detail.