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ONTARIO HERITAGE TRUST

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April 28, 2021

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

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Designation Under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act:

"Feeder Canal Junction Lock", located at the Junction of the Welland Canal

In accordance with the requirements of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, we are forwarding a certified copy of By-law 2021-57 for your records.

By-law 2021-57 being a By-law to designate the Feeder Canal Junction Lock, between Prince Charles Drive South and the Welland Recreational waterway at Broadway, municipally known as 2 Ontario Road, Welland, as being of cultural heritage value or interest, was passed by City Council at its meeting of April 20, 2021.

Yours very truly,

Tara Stephens
City Clerk

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Enclosure

cc John Mastroianni, Chair, Heritage Welland
Nora Reid, Secretary, Heritage Welland
SM. Millar, Director, Infrastructure Services
L. Eden, Law Clerk

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WELLAND

BY-LAW NUMBER 2021 - 57

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE FEEDER CANAL JUNCTION LOCK, BETWEEN PRINCE CHARLES DRIVE SOUTH AND THE WELLAND RECREATIONAL WATERWAY AT BROADWAY, MUNICIPALLY KNOWN AS 2 ONTARIO ROAD, WELLAND, OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18, as amended, authorizes the council of a municipality to enact By-laws to designate property within the municipality to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS property means real property and includes all buildings and structures thereon;

AND WHEREAS the City Clerk has caused a Notice of Intention to be served upon the owner's of the property, together with the Ontario Heritage Trust and published in a newspaper, having general circulation in the municipality, in accordance with the provisions of the said Ontario Heritage Act (herein the "Act");

AND WHEREAS no Notice of Objection to the proposed designation was served upon the City Clerk of the City of Welland.

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WELLAND ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Feeder Canal Junction Lock located at between Prince Charles Drive South and the Welland Recreational Waterway at Broadway, municipally known as 2 Ontario Road, in the City of Welland, as legally described in Schedule "A", shall be and the same is hereby designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest.
2. The Reasons for Designation are attached hereto as Schedule "B" and shall for all purposes form a part of this By-law.
3. This heritage designation is solely for the said Feeder Canal Junction Lock and for no other purposes, or portions of the real property herein set out.
4. This By-law shall be registered against the property on which the Feeder Canal Junction Lock is located and which is described in Schedule "A" attached hereto, in the Land Registry Office for Niagara South, in accordance with section 29(6) of the said Act.
5. The City Clerk shall cause a copy of this By-law to be served upon the owners of the property and on the Ontario Heritage Trust and to cause notice of this By-law to be published in the Tribune, in the City of Welland, in accordance with section 29(6) of the Act.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND PASSED BY COUNCIL THIS 20TH DAY OF APRIL, 2021.

"I certify that this is a true copy of
the original document which has
not been altered in any way"
Date:

APR 28 2021


TARA STEPHENS
City Clerk, City of Welland


FRANK CAMPION,
MAYOR


TARA STEPHENS,
CITY CLERK

Schedule "A"

Welland Feeder Canal Junction Lock, Welland, Ontario

Legal Description

LT 3-106 PL 940; LT 107-206, 219-248 PL 938; PT LT 1-2 PL 940; PT CLARK ST PL 938 BEING COULSON ST (FORMERLY CLARK ST); CRAIG ST PL 940 BEING MCCAWE AV (FORMERLY CRAIG ST); PT SHAW ST, ABERDEEN AV, GRANT ST PL 938 BEING CAMPBELL ST (FORMERLY GRANT ST); PT LT 26-27, GORE 26 CON 7 CROWLAND; PT RDAL BTN LOTS 26 AND 27 CON 7 CROWLAND CLOSED BY BB31168, PT 2, 59R2313 & PT 1, 59R3691 EXCEPT PT 6 & 7, 59R6592 & EXCEPT PT 2, 59R12335; S/T RO478338; S/T EASEMENT OVER PT LTS 1 & 4 TO 12 PL 940 AND PT OF GORE LOT 26 CON 7 CROWLAND BEING PTS 1 & 3 59R14609 AS IN SN360988; CITY OF WELLAND

SCHEDULE "B"

STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST

Description of Property – Welland Feeder Canal Junction Lock, Welland, ON

The Feeder Canal Junction Lock is located between Prince Charles Drive South/ Regional Road 58 and the Welland Recreational Waterway (old Welland Canal) at Broadway in Welland Ontario municipally known as 2 Ontario Road. It is a cut stone lock, the majority of which is buried, but with a portion still open and filled with water. The City has erected historic information plaques surrounding the exposed portion of the lock.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The Feeder Canal Junction Lock at Welland is an early part of the Welland Canal system which since the 1820's has shaped both the geography and history of the eastern half of the Niagara Peninsula and of Welland.

The Feeder Canal was created during the construction of the first Welland Canal that extended only as far south as Port Robinson, but after completion of the Second Welland Canal in the 1840's the Feeder Canal emptied into the Welland Canal at a location known as "The Junction" or "Junction Village"; an area later known as "Helmsport" (present day Broadway and Ontario Road).

The Junction Lock was completed in 1845 during the construction of the Second Welland Canal at "The Junction" where the Feeder Canal emptied into the Second Welland Canal and was used as part of both the Second and Third Welland canals. It allowed boats to lock from the Feeder Canal directly into the Welland Canal (now the Recreational Waterway).

The construction supervisor for the lock was civil and consulting engineer Walter H. Shanly (born Ireland 1817, died Montréal 1899) who along with his brother Francis were among the first engineers to be trained in Canada. Walter Shanly was in charge of work on the Second Canal from Thorold to the Junction and on to Port Colborne. The Shanlys' work on the Second Welland Canal did much to set professional standards for Canadian engineering. They also built many of the early railways and bridges in Canada. Walter was elected to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada and after Confederation to the House of Commons where he served until 1891.

Contractors for the Junction Lock were E.W. Thompson and Company and Wm. Buell Jr. Edward William Thompson (Thomson) was born at Kingston, Upper

STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST

Canada in 1794. A decorated War of 1812 veteran, he worked constructing the locks on the St. Lawrence and Rideau Canals before being contracted to work on the Welland Canal in the 1830's. Thomson was elected to the Legislature in 1836, defeating William Lyon Mackenzie, and was first president of the Provincial Agricultural Association.

Starting in 1828, "clearances" and crop failures culminating in the great potato famine of 1845 brought large numbers of Irish immigrants to Canada. The manual labour building the Junction Lock, as for all of the First and Second Canals, would have been done by Irish labourers known as "canallers".

The stone Junction Lock and the stone Aqueduct on East Main Street are the only remnants left in Welland of the Feeder Canal and the Second Welland canal. These structures are important because the creation of the Feeder Canal and the Aqueduct over the Welland Canal led directly to settlement in this location and ultimately to the creation of the community that is now the City of Welland.

Description of Key Heritage Attributes

Key attributes of this structure that reflects its value as one of the earliest surviving structures in the City of Welland and one that was central to the establishment of the community:

- Lock dimensions are 150 feet by 26.5 feet and 9 feet deep
- Lock walls are constructed of dressed cut Queenston limestone (dolomitic limestone) running the length of the lock backed by rubble fill
- Number of the lock is carved into a stone near the top layer of masonry at its entrance
- A portion of the lock approximately 45 feet long remains unburied and is filled with water. Curved iron fittings are visible on the top of the lock walls across from each other on either side of the lock in this area.
- The remainder of the lock is buried with only the tops of the stone walls visible in some areas in the grass
- The stone lock "fenders" are exposed and visible on the banks of the old Welland Canal (Recreational Waterway)