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BY-LAW NUMBER 12-1986

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS THE LOVE BLACKSMITH SHOP IN THE HAMLET OF LYNDBURST AS BEING OF ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL VALUE OR INTEREST

WHEREAS section 29 of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 337, as amended, 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 historic value or interest, and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne has caused to be served on the owners of the LOVE BLACKSMITH SHOP 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 the same newspapers having general circulation in the municipality once 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;

THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Rear of Leeds and Lansdowne enacts as follows:

1. There is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest the real property known as the LOVE BLACKSMITH SHOP in the hamlet of Lyndhurst, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached.
2. The municipal solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper land registry office.
3. The 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 newspapers having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME THIS 16th DAY OF JUNE, 1986, AND GIVEN UNDER THE SEAL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF REAR OF LEEDS AND LANSDOWNE AND PASSED THIS 16th DAY OF JUNE, 1986.

Ray Greenham
REEVE

Allen M. Lach
CLERK-TREASURER

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY
THIS 20 DAY OF June 1986
Allen M. Lach
CLERK TREASURER
TOWNSHIP OF REAR OF LEEDS & LANSDOWNE

SCHEDULE "A"

THOSE lands and premises located in the following municipality, namely,
In the Township of Lansdowne, in the County of Leeds, and

being composed of Pt. Lot 2, Concession 10, of the Township of Lansdowne,
designated as Part 1 on a Reference Plan deposited in the Registry Office
for the Registry Division of Leeds (No. 28) as No. 28R3569.

The Lyndhurst blacksmith shop was built in 1887 by Adolphus J. Love who came to Lyndhurst 10 years earlier. It is an outstanding example of a well planned tradesman's shop of the earlier years after Confederation.

The south end of the building, which is the facade facing Charles Street, is symmetric, containing corresponding wagon doors centred on the ground floor and the second floor, both of which are flanked by matching windows. These double doors with their long wrought iron strap hinges, are made up of diagonal vee-joint boards on the outside, creating a herringbone pattern which interrupts the horizontal pattern of the cove siding.

The gable is tall, and in the patriotic spirit of 1887, there is a tall flagpole impaled on a wrought iron bracket above the upper door, and braced at the ridge of the roof. The vee boards are narrow and plain, as are the windows and door trim and the corner boards. There is a narrow frieze under the eaves and up the gables. The eaves are boxed in with wide boards and a second half-width board is applied over the first and abutting the frieze.

The long west side of the building, facing Cook Street, contains two windows and a pedestrian door all opening into the blacksmith shop, which occupies the front 2/3 of the building on the ground floor. A carriageway for the resident's vehicle and another pedestrian door leading to the second floor apartment take up the rear third.

On the second floor, there are 4 evenly-spaced windows under the eaves.

The other walls have symmetrically arranged windows, two up and two down on the North end and 4 up and 4 down on the East.

The windows are single hung check rail sash throughout. Each half is divided with one muntin down the centre as is commonly seen in the area. There is a brick chimney at the ridge on the north gable, serving the stoves in the apartment. The chimney from the forge is against the east wall and extends high above the roof, almost to the level of the ridge.

Although it is now very run down, the shop has not been altered since it was built. The existing floor plan is original as are all the door and window openings, chimneys and flagpole. The doors on the carriageway probably matched the south doors originally. The first roof would have been cedar shingles. They have been replaced by square iron shingles. The remarkable state of preservation is due to the fact that it was used as a blacksmith shop continuously by the same family from 1887 until 1970.