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# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PERTH

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March 26, 2014

Registrar, Ontario Heritage Trust, Heritage Programs and Operation ATTN: Mr. Jim Leonard 10 Adelaide Street East Toronto, ON M5C 1J3

Re: Notice of Amendment to Five (5) Municipally Designated Heritage Properties

Dear Mr. Leonard,

The Town of Perth and the Municipal Heritage Advisory Panel (MHAP) have been working to update municipal heritage designations in order to bring them into compliance with the current standards for designations of heritage buildings as prescribed by the Ontario Ministry of Culture under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

As the Registrar for the Ontario Heritage Trust, the Town is hereby providing you with notice of the approved five (5) amendments, attached, to the following properties:

- 1. 2457-1 The John Hart House, 37 Herriott Street;
- 2. 2587-1 The Old Burying Ground (Craig Street Cemetery);
- 3. 2699-1 The Bandstand, 80 Gore Street East;
- 4. 2870-1 St. Paul's Old Methodist Burying Ground, and;
- 5. 2875-1 11 15 Mill Street.

The amendments clarify the Statement of Heritage Value or Interest and the Description of Heritage Attributes of said properties.

If you have any questions please contact Karen Rennie, Heritage Manager / Curator at 613-267-1947.

Sincerely,

Lauren Walton, Clerk

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## **BY-LAW NO. 2875-1**

A By-law to amend By-law No. 2875, being a By-law regarding the Municipal Heritage Designation of the building located at 11 – 15 Mill Street

# Recitals:

- Section 29 in Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, as amended, provides that the Council of a municipality may by by-law designate a property within the municipality to be of cultural heritage value or interest.
- Council wishes to bring the designation into compliance with the current standards for designation of heritage buildings as prescribed by the Ontario Ministry of Culture under the Ontario Heritage Act.
- The Committee of the Whole reviewed Report 2013-CoW-12.2 and Report 2014-COW-4.UB.1 and concurs with the information presented.
- The Council of the Town of Perth passed Motion #13-177 authorizing staff to publish the Notice of Intention to amend the designation.
- On December 26th, 2013, notice of intention to amend the heritage designation of 5. the building located at 11-15 Mill Street was served on the property owner, Terence and Mary Stewart, and published as per the Town's Public Notice Policy;
- The public was provided an opportunity to object to the intention to amend the designation within thirty (30) days of the notice, to the Clerk.
- The Clerk has not received any objection to the proposed amendment to the 7. designation as of January 27th, 2014.
- Council for The Corporation of the Town of Perth deems it advisable to pass this By-law.

Accordingly, the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Perth enacts as follows:

## 1. AUTHORIZATION

That By-law No. 2875, be amended in its entirety and be replaced with the following:

PERTH HERITAGE DESIGNATED PROPERTIES Building/Property Name: 11 – 15 Mill Street

Address:

11 - 15 Mill Street

Original Owner:

Possibly Michael Ryan

**Present Owner:** 

c. 1846

**Date Built:** Architect/Contractor: Unknown

Original Use:

Residential

**Present Use:** 

Residential (triplex)

Date Designated:

By-law No. 2875 - April 10, 1990

Registration:

Not registered to date

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March 26 2014 Date. auren lixels.

Lauren Walton, Clerk Town of Perth, County of Lanark

# **Reason for Designation:**

A two and a half storey frame building in the Georgian style said to have been built in the 1840's adjacent to the oldest existing stone house in Perth (1820). This house was built on Cockburn Island land which was granted by the Crown to the Tay Navigation Company in 1831. The Company sold many lots on the island to finance the building of the first Tay canal.

#### **Statement of Cultural and Historical Value or Interest:**

With the construction of the Rideau Canal nearing completion, William Morris, a local businessman, politician and early settler in Perth, took the initiative to promote the construction of a canal on the Tay River to link the new settlement to the Rideau corridor by water. His efforts resulted in the formation of the Tay Navigation Company in 1831 and the Crown grant of lands on Cockburn Island to underwrite the venture. The canal was completed in 1834. Unfortunately, it became unusable by the late 1840's due to poor construction and too shallow clearances.

Land Registry records indicate that the property was purchased by a Michael Ryan in 1846 and it is thought that he built the house. In 1863, the property became the residence and business location of Patrick Griffin and a partner, Joseph Belisle, local tailors. Subsequently, James Morrison, a painter by trade, became the owner in 1875 and he and his family remained in possession until 1945. Following several changes of ownership, the property was purchased by the Stewarts in 1989 and they initiated the action to designate the house given its undoubted heritage value.

### **Architectural Value:**

This frame house is one of the few examples in Perth in the Georgian style executed in wood. It exemplifies the Georgian hallmarks of simplicity, symmetry and minimal detail. The standard horizontal clapboard is terminated in corner boards at the ends and simply molded soffit and fascia under the spare roof edges. The centered entry features a solid door flanked by triple sidelights and transom with plain trim, a simple triangular top board and a labeled border. The six on six windows on both levels are edged in the same fashion as the main entry. It should be noted that the main facade is placed directly on the sidewalk property line indicating the practice of the time in the downtown area.

At the eastern extremity of the front, south-facing facade, a second entry door was installed at some early point. Its design attempted to mimic the main entry but only partially succeeded. Each gabled end contains two, smaller, six on six windows at the attic level. The roofing material was replaced in 2011 with metal panels which, although not original, are sympathetic to the age and style of the house. It should be noted that a very similar house in scale and style is located three doors west at 21 Mill Street.

## **Heritage Attributes:**

This house appears to have retained most of its original exterior features and care has clearly been taken in its maintenance. In addition to the prominent wooden features such as the clapboard siding, corner boards and soffit/fascia, the following attributes warrant preservation:

- the detail of the main entry door including the sidelights and transom
- the size, placement and nature of all windows including trim on the front and side facades
- the use of the heritage colour palate on all exterior wood surfaces



**Legal Description:** 

Pt Lt 36 PL8828 Lanark S lying within Cockburn Island, Drummond as in RS125562, s/t interest in RS125562; PERTH

## Revised:

• September 11, 2012

#### References:

- Quattrocchi, Gus; The Merchants, Professionals & Tradespeople of Perth; privately published; 1996
- Walling, H.F.; Map of the Counties of Lanark & Renfrew, Canada West; Prescott, D.F. Putnam; 1863
- Turner, Larry; Perth, Tradition & Style in Eastern Ontario; Natural Heritage/Natural History Inc.; 1992
- Interview with the current owner, Mary Stewart; April, 2013.

# 2. EFFECTIVE DATE:

2.1. That this By-law shall come into force and effect upon passage thereof.

Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 25<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014.

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John Fenik, Mayor

Lauren Walton, Clerk

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