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To: Ontario Heritage Trust County of Prince Edward

From: Matt Coffey, Acting Manager of Planning

Date: May 8, 2025

RE: Notice of Designation – 2550 Salem Road (Baldwin Grain Elevator), Ward of

Ameliasburgh

This letter is to inform you of the passing of **By-law 48-2025** to designate the property at 2550 Salem Road, known as the Baldwin Grain Elevator. Please see the attached designation by-law, which includes a description of the property, statement explaining the cultural heritage value of the property and a description of the heritage attributes of the property. The by-law will be registered on the title of the lands.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best Regards,

for Matt Coffey, MCIP RPP

Manager of Planning

The Corporation of the County of Prince Edward

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THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF PRINCE EDWARD

BY-LAW NO. 48-2025

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE BALDWIN GRAIN ELEVATOR TO BE OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE AND INTEREST PURSUANT TO PART IV OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT

(Baldwin Grain Elevator c. 1949, 2550 Salem Road)

WHEREAS pursuant to the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.0.18 the Council of a municipality may by by-law designate a property including buildings and structures thereon to be of cultural heritage value and interest;

AND WHEREAS the Built and Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee, at their October 4, 2023 meeting recommended to County Council to designate the Baldwin Grain Elevator as a property of cultural heritage value and interest;

AND WHEREAS Notice of Intention to designate the property known as the Baldwin Grain Elevator has been published and served in accordance with the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 and no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been received;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of The Corporation of the County of Prince Edward enacts as follows:

- 1. THAT the property known as the Baldwin Grain Elevator and more particularly described in Schedule 'A' attached hereto and forming part of this by-law is hereby designated as being of cultural heritage value and interest for the reasons set out in Schedule 'B' attached hereto and forming part of this by-law.
- 2. THAT the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served on the owner of the property, the Corporation of the County of Prince Edward, and on the Ontario Heritage Trust
- **3. THAT** the property be added to the Municipal Register referred to in Section 27(1) of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990.
- **4. THAT** notice of this By-law be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.
- **5. THAT** the County Solicitor is hereby authorized to register a copy of this By-law against the real property as described in the foregoing in the Land Registry Office.
- **6. THAT** the provisions of this by-law shall come into force and take effect pursuant to Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990 c.O.18, as amended.

Read a first, second and third time and finally passed this 8th day of April, 2025.

Victoria Leskie, CLERK

Steve Ferguson, MAYOR

SCHEDULE 'A' to By-Law No. 48-2025

Property Description:

The subject lands are described as PT LT 105-106 CON 3 AMELIASBURGH PT 40 PE140891 N RDAL BTN CON 3 & CON 4, PT 1 47R6465 & PT 1 PE140890 E of KING'S HWY NO. 33; in the Municipality of Prince Edward.

PIN: 55012-0185

SCHEDULE 'B' to By-Law No. 48-2025

STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE

Design or Physical Value

The Grain Elevator building is unique to Prince Edward County as the only building of this type and considered a rare example of a grain elevator in the region. The design of the building to reflect the function is readily apparent as a tall standalone structure without decorative detail. The tower like appearance is unique for an agricultural building. The plank crib construction, although concealed by the metal siding, is typical construction method for structural walls subject to lateral pressure, as would be exerted by grain piles, but is a rare type of wood framing.

Historical or Associative Value

The grain elevator has value in association with the railway as a once important mode of import/export and supporting the economy of Prince Edward County. The construction of a grain elevator also provides historical context with the significance of the agricultural economy of the County in this era, as post-World War II mechanization of farming allowed for greater production capacity and crop yields, providing for export potential of grain. The construction of a grain elevator was significant as an asset to serve the surrounding agricultural community.

Contextual Value

The property has contextual value because it is physically, functionally, visually or historically linked to its surroundings. The property has contextual value because it is a landmark. The grain elevator stands as a visual, historic, physical and functional link to the once important railway service in the County and to the importance of agriculture to the culture and economy of the County. Its presence adjacent to the former railbed, now a recreation trail, reinforces these links. Due to the prominence of the building form and the relative isolation from other large or tall buildings, the grain elevator stands out visually at its location and would be considered a landmark building. It is visually prominent to passersby at the location adjacent to the Loyalist Parkway at Salem Road and contributes to the character of the area.

CULTURAL HERITAGE ATTRIBUTES

- Massing of the building with respect to the height as compared to the area in plan (length or width).
- Existing window openings.
- Plank crib construction.

References:

7th Town/Ameliasburgh Township Past & Present, 1984, 7th Town Historical Society

Information provided by Grace Nyman, Community Services & Programs Coordinator, The Corporation of the County of Prince Edward

Staff Report CSP-02-2023 Prince Edward County Committee of the Whole, March 16, 2023

Interview with Mr. Michael Baldwin, nephew of Richard E. Baldwin

Government of Canada Publications, 32-501 Flour Mills and Feed Mills In Canada, 1958

Physical inspection by E. A. Margetson, August 10, 2024, and December 5, 2024