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Town of Haldimand

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December 14th, 1984.

Ontario Heritage Foundation, 7th Floor, 77 Bloor Street West, Toronto, Ontario. M7A 2R9

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is a copy of By-Law #445/84 being a bylaw to designate Gore School S.S. #7, as being of historical value or interest. This by-law was passed by Council on December 10th, 1984.

Yours truly,

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/js Encl. IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, 1980 S.O. CHAPTER 337

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES AT THE FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL ADDRESS 3. IN THE TOWN OF HALDIMAND IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF PASSING OF BY-LAW

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Haldimand has passed by-law number 445/84 to designate the following properties as being of architectural and/or historical value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1980, S.O. Chapter 337:

- (a) Gore School S.S. #7, Part Lot 24, Concession 2 in the former Township of Oneida
- (b) The reason for proposed designation, it is considered to be of historical significance.

DATED at the Town of Haldimand this 19th day of December, 1984.

Shirley R. Troubridge Clerk THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALDIMAND

BY-LAW NO. 445/84

Being a By-Law to designate the property
Known municipally as the Gore School S.S. #7,
Concession 2, Part Lot 24, in the Town of
Haldimand in the Regional Municipality of
Haldimand-Norfolk, formerly known as the
Township of Oneida, as being of historical
value or interest.

WHEREAS Section 29 of THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, 1980, Chapter 337, 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 Haldimand has caused to be served on the owners of the land and premises known as the Gore School S.S. #7, Concession 2, Part Lot 24, in the Town of Haldimand, The Regional Municipality of Haldimand-Norfolk, and upon The Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to designate the aforesaid property and has caused such notice of intention to be published in the same newspaper 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;

AND WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule B hereto;

THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Haldimand enacts as follows:-

- 1. That the real property known as the Gore School S.S. #7, Concession 2, Part Lot 24, in the Town of Haldimand in The Regional Municipality of Haldimand-Norfolk, formerly known as the Township of Oneida, be designated as being of historical value or interest, more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto.
- 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 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 having general circulation in the municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks.

READ a first and second time this 10th day of December 1984.

READ a third time and finally passed this 10th day of December 1984.

MAYOR

CLERK

to

BY-LAW NO. 445/84

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Town of Haldimand in The Regional Municipality of Haldimand-Norfolk (formerly the Township of Oneida) and being composed of the north east part of lot number twenty-four in the Second Concession of the said township and being more particularly described in instrument 34141, registered in the Cayuga Registry Office

SCHEDULE "B" to, BY-LAW NO. 445/84

THE HISTORY OF S.S. #7 SCHOOL ONEIDA This building is situated in the former Township of Oneida in the Town of Haldimand on lot 24, on the corner of Regional Road #9 and the 2nd line, R.R. #3, Hagersville, Ontario, in the hamlet Known as Clanbrassil. It is important to this area as it is the only one room school

remaining in the former Oneida Township. It is in its original state and is used as a public building.

On the 24th day of April 1860 a grant from the Indian Land Sale was sold to the Trustees for the benefit of a congregation, a conveyance of land, the easterly part of lot 24 between the 1st and 2nd line of the Township of Oneida, in the county of Haldimand in the Province of Ontario for the sum of \$24.00 of lawful money, this to be used for the site of a

Church Chapel, Residence for a Minister, Burial Grounds and a School.
In 1874 Clanbrassil had its first log school built to help represent
the community. A second log school was built three quarters of a mile east of Clanbrassil on the first line of Oneida as it was thought that this location would be more central for the pupils (This building was later sided and used as a habitation. This building is still standing, Such a history speaks well of the but has been condemned for sometime. durability of those early buildings.

The third and present brick school was built in 1882 on the same grounds as the first log school, just south of the first school which was

still standing and used as a residence by Mrs. Nancy Donaldson, a widow.

In 1882 blotting paper used for the school was bought for five cents
and three boxes of crayons for seventy-five cents. One cord of pine wood
cost \$1.75 and the sawing of the wood cost fifty cents.

The main grant paid to the teachers was \$45.10 and the Government Grant was \$53.80. The cleaning of the school cost \$1.25 and the total income for this year was \$491.73, the balance over the grants coming from a collection from the families. The total expenses were \$388.14.

In 1884 Hugh Martin the Secretary-Treasurer of the school board planned an Arbor Day which was a tradition for years.

In 1885, \$350.00 was collected to defray expenses and to pay the teacher Andrew Anderson.

In 1888 the blackboards were painted, benches repaired and blinds were bought. The interior of the school was whitewashed and Miss Murray the teacher was to sweep the floor and light the fire herself.

In 1890 it was decided to pay Mr. Pond, the teacher \$385.00 for teaching and \$15.00 for lighting the fire and sweeping the school.

In 1891 the trustees moved that the school house be used for any meetings that the trustees thought would be of interest to the section. Through the years the school was used for elections at a cost of \$4.00 for the Dominion election, \$3.00 for the Provincial election and \$2.00 for the Township election.

In 1894 the school was insured against fire. In 1899 a woodshed was

built for the sum of \$22.80, this being the lowest tender.

Some of the early trustees were, Peter Elder, John Cranston, George Fleming, Jim Laidlaw, Peter Armstrong, William Herod, William Morrow, Thomas Helm, Gidion Cranston, Hugh Martin, James Baird, Walter Murray, Jim McMorran, Jim Grant, Alex Marshall, John Gailing, George Whitmore, Donald Fleming, F. Flomerflet, Kirk Lowrie, Richard Farady, J. Hodgson.

In 1900 the reslating of the blackboards cost \$5.00 and the insurance assessment was \$1.95.

In 1905 stove blackening cost 15 cents, broom 25 cents and a fire shovel 10 cents.

In January 1911 gas was installed in the school for \$27.25 from the Total charges for the year for gas was \$21.81. Midfield Co.

In 1914 lightning rods were erected on the school for the cost of \$14.00.

In 1919 the trustees were thinking of a new school or repairs to the old one.

In 1920 Mr. J. L. Mitchener, the inspector attended a meeting and advised the trustees of the different grants that could be received for the different expenditures. They decided to meet with the trustees of S.S. #10 Oneida and the Cranston School S.S. #4 Oneida in reference to the building of a consolidated school, but S.S. #10 refused.

In 1920 the value of the school site was \$200.00.

The value of the buildings were \$400.00. The value of the fixtures were 100.00

The value of the equipment was 100.00

Total value -\$800.00 In 1920 J. Cosar, the caretaker was paid \$60.00.

In 1922 the school was remodelled so that it was lit only by windows on the south side. This same year new desks were bought for \$270.00. In 1931 the value of the taxable property was \$2,032.00.

In 1931 the first agriculture grant of \$30.00 was received.

In 1932 the value of the taxable property was \$1,762.58.

In 1936 Mrs. Lloyd Winger was the singing teacher and the music supplies that were bought cost \$31.33.

The first piano was bought in 1937 for \$60.00.

In 1938 hydro was installed and the first bill was \$3.43.

In 1940 a music grant was received for \$34.50.

In 1945 it was decided that S.S.#7 apply for free services of a school nurse.

In 1946 Doreen Styre was hired as a music teacher. In 1947 the Oneida Township school board was organized. In 1951 to insure better heating the trustees decided to install a fan in S.S. #7 school.

In this same year religious instruction was started and Rev. Arkwright was the instructor for S.S. #7.

 $\overline{\text{In}}$ 1951 Miss Partridge was the music teacher and Mrs. Agnes Small in 1952.

In 1953 the old wood shed at S.S.#7 was torn down and rebuilt beside the entry. A door was cut from the hall into the shed. A flag pole was erected, bicycle racks were built and painted and flower beds in course of preparation for improvement of the grounds. This same year, Inspector Young announced the award of 2nd prize to S.S. #7 in the school grounds improvement competition.

In 1954 new cupboards were installed for books and two new

blackboards 7 1/2 x 3 1/2 were purchased.

In 1960 the Oneida Church Board purchased the school building for one dollar and the property for \$249.00 and it is now used by the United Church as a Church Hall.

In 1971 S.S. #7 school bell was stolen. In 1973 someone phoned Frank Peart saying that the school bell was in a culvert but they didn't say where. William L. Smith, Oneida Road Superintendant found it later in a culvert at the township building on the 4th line of Oneida. The bell was welded back on but in 1978 it was stolen again. This bell was manufactured by the Clinton H. Meneely Bell Co. Troy, N.Y. in 1881 A.D.

The inscription on the bell reads:

When of departed hours we toll the knell,

Instruction take and use the future well.

Construction

The building is brick and the main part of the building is 38'x 26' and the measurements of the other parts are on the diagram which is enclosed.

4 feet of the foundation in the centre of the North side is in need of repair and half of the roof needs replacing. The school still has its blackboards and platform at the front which was found in most of the old schools.