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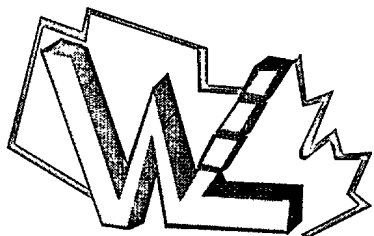
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April 11, 2007

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To Whom It May Concern,

RE: Designation of the Comfort Barn in the Township of West Lincoln

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of West Lincoln has passed a by-law designating the structure known locally as the Comfort Barn. The Comfort Barn is located at 1639 Rosedene Road and is comprised of Part of Lot 24 and Part of Lot 25, Concession 4, in the former Township of Gainsborough, now in the Township of West Lincoln.

In accordance with designation procedure, a notice was placed in the local newspaper having general circulation and no appeals were received. The by-law was passed on March 26, 2007 and notice of its passing was placed in the same newspaper on April 4, 2007. A copy of this notice is included.

Please find attached the designation by-law for your information. If you require any further information or have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

Sincerely,

*Kirsten McCauley*

Kirsten McCauley  
Planner  
Secretary to the Heritage Committee

CC: Ed and Bob Comfort

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May 26/07

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# **THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST LINCOLN**

## **BY-LAW NO. 2007-23**

**A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS PART OF LOT 24 AND PART OF LOT 25, CONCESSION 4, 1639 ROSEDENE ROAD, FORMER TOWNSHIP OF GAINSBOROUGH, TOWNSHIP OF WEST LINCOLN AS BEING THE SITE OF THE COMFORT BARN (C. 1870) AS A PROPERTY OF ARCHITECTURAL, HISTORICAL AND/OR CONTEXTUAL VALUE OR INTEREST.**

**WHEREAS** Section 29 of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18 as amended, authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate a property to be of cultural value or interest;

**AND WHEREAS** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of West Lincoln has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as Part of Lot 24 and Part Lot 25, Concession 4, 1639 Rosedene Road, Former Township of Gainsborough, Township of West Lincoln and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid property and has caused such notice of intention to designate to be published in West Niagara News, a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality in its publication of January 12, 2007;

**AND WHEREAS** the reasons for the designation are set out in Schedule "B" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law;

**AND WHEREAS** no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the municipality;

**NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST LINCOLN ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

1. There is designated as being of architectural, historical and/or contextual value or interest, the property known as 1639 Rosedene Road, Part of Lot 24 and Part of Lot 25, Concession 4, Former Township of Gainsborough, Township of West Lincoln, as being a place of architectural, historical and/or contextual value or interest, more particularly described on the attached Schedule "A" and for the reasons as described in Schedule "B" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law.
2. For greater certainty, this designation shall recognize the architectural, historical and/or contextual value or interest of the Comfort Barn (c.1870) erected thereupon.
3. The Municipal Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property as outlined in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law.
4. The Clerk is hereby authorized to serve a copy of this by-law on the owner of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to publish notice of the passing of this by-law, once, in the newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.

**READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD  
TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS  
26<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2007.**

  
**MAYOR KATIE TROMBETTA**

  
**CAROLYN LANGLEY, CLERK**

**SCHEDULE "A"**  
**To By-law 2007-23**

1639 Rosedene Road, being Part of Lot 24 and Part of Lot 25, Concession 4, Former  
Township of Gainsborough, Township of West Lincoln.  
Property Assessment Roll # 260202000502900 0000

**SCHEDULE "B"**  
**To By-law 2007-23**

**REASONS FOR DESIGNATION**

**Property**

To designate the Comfort Barn, located at 1639 Rosedene Road, Part Lot 24 and Part Lot 25, Concession 4, Former Township of Gainsborough, Township of West Lincoln (attached as Schedule A)

**Setting**

The Comfort Barn was constructed circa 1870. This barn is representative of West Lincoln's strong agricultural community for a period of over 100 years and of particular interest is the fact that this is still a working mixed farming operation. The work of the restoration and repair is on-going and being done in a manner that maintains the original structure.

**Architecture**

The barn, which is 54 feet long and 48 feet wide, has a heavy timber frame construction with mortise and tenon connections. The barn was remodeled in 1898 using 12" by 12" hand hewn pine timbers in the main frame along with a number of 12" by 12" hand hewn oak timbers salvaged from another area barn. The main pine timbers run the full width of the barn. Most of the pine timbers came from trees harvested in the area.

The barn rests on a limestone foundation. Typical of area farms, livestock were housed in the lower level and feed for the livestock was stored above the livestock. The barn is known as a bank barn; the bank is an earthen ramp that allowed a team of horses to draw wagons loads of feed up on to the main floor for unloading. The gambrel type of roof provided additional storage space for loose hay in the large mows on either side of the central alley. The barn has a roofed entrance over the bank. Inside the barn is a wagon rack lifter which was used to raise the wagon rack and its load of hay up high enough so that the hay could pitched into the mow.

**History**

The property is linked to the Crowe family name which is noted as being one of the early settlers of Rosedene, in the former Township of Gainsborough.