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Wellington

IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, 1974,
S. O. CHAPTER 122

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES AT THE
FOLLOWING MUNICIPAL ADDRESSES IN THE PROVINCE OF
ONTARIO

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

To: Ontario Heritage Foundation,
77 Bloor Street West,
Toronto, Ontario,
M7A 2R9

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Elora intends to designate the properties, including lands and buildings, at the following municipal addresses as properties of architectural and/or historical value or interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974, S. O. Chapter 122

- (a) Victoria Street Bridge, Mill Property Lot 1, Plan 286 (Gilkinson's Plan), Township of Nichol, County of Wellington, Province of Ontario: This structure served as an integral part of the life of the Village of Elora for many generations. It was the only link between the two shores of the Grand River in the area. It is the second oldest bridge of its kind in the Province, originally built in 1871 of iron and wood with area limestone abutments. This structure should be made available for pedestrian traffic in order to allow visitors to walk from one side of the river to another, as well as serve as an observation area, enabling them to view local architecture and to paint and sketch the river, both up and downstream.
- (b) Armory Hall (presently LCBO retail store and Civic Works Department), Plan 181, Lots 1,2,3,4, N/W side Clyde Street, Township of Nichol, County of Wellington, Province of Ontario: This structure was originally used as a drill hall and meeting place for the community. It was originally built in 1865 and played a part as a headquarters for military training during the Fenian Raids. It is both historically and architecturally prominent and was one of the focal points of community life in the early days of the Village.

Notice of objection to the proposed designation, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts may be served on the Clerk of the Village of Elora before the 27th day of May, 1983.

Dated at Elora
this 19th day of April, 1983.

Alex C. Hall
Deputy Reeve

April 18, 1983.

Members of Council,
Corporation Village of Elora,
Elora, Ontario.
NOB 1SO

Re: Armory Hall (Liquor Store & Works Hall)

Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find description of above being
submitted for designation.

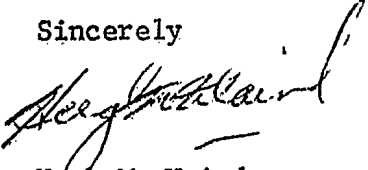
The LACAC has studied designation and recommends
to Council for approval.

The Armory Hall was built in 1865 and has served
the community as a Drill Hall - meeting hall for district and now
Liquor Store and Works Hall.

Your consideration to this matter is
appreciated.

On behalf of Elora Local Architectural
Conservation Advisory Committee.

Sincerely



Hugh M. Waind.

VILLAGE OF ELORA LACAC BUILDING DESCRIPTION

DATED April 13/83

I IDENTIFICATION

1. Building's present name/historic name Armory Hall or Drill Shed
presently known as liquor store.
2. Address High Street
3. Plan and lot Plan 181, Lots 1,2,3,4. N/W side Clyde Street
4. Present owner(s)/use Village of Elora.
Liquor Store & Works Hall.

II HISTORICAL DESCRIPTION

1. Date built 1865
2. Architect/builder(s) Grey and Simpson.
Land was donated by Fraser & Bayne.
3. Original owner/use Village of Elora
To be used for Drill Hall.
4. Significant late owners, occupants Federal Government took it over
around 1890, used as drill hall. Taken over again by Village around
1950 used as work shed and part leased to L.C.B.O. for Liquor Store.
5. Other significance Also used as concert theatre and dance hall in past
years. Back portion of building was added before main building was
finished to be used as municipal offices, never was.

III ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

1. Site detail South side Grand River.

2. Relation between building and site/building and surrounding buildings Located in Public Park - entrance facing west on Metcalfe Street - double parking on south side - park in rear - drive-way surrounding building.

3. Architectural style (if identifiable) Native to Village of Elora.

4. Integrity (alterations/additions) Interior minor alteration for use as liquor store exterior original with exception of large door in rear wall. Front porch which was added about 1870.

5. Plan Rectangular. Size approx. 40 x 160.
6. Storeys one
7. Bays Main building 6 windows each side. Rear building 2 windows each side.
8. Arrangement Symmetrical.
9. Exterior wall material Stone (rubble) wall with Coursing Marks put on at later date.

10. First storey - a) windows Double hung sash 9 over 6.

Open porch.

b) main door, porch, etc. Arched Portico supported on 2 sets of double wooden columns.

Entrance double doors, 2 panels per door.

4 pane Transom with semi-circular transom above 7 spokes.

c) wall treatment Key Stone above transom dated 1865 with rooster sculptured in Key Stone.

3. Municipal controls Owned by Village.

V SOURCES of INFORMATION

Wellington County Land Registry Office.

Book on Elora by John Connon.

Wellington County Archives.

11. Upper storeys None.

12. Roof shape/material Gable, metal clad.

13. Roof detail N/A

14. Other building parts N/A

IV BUILDING THREAT

1. Condition Fair.

2. Proposed changes Point stone walls, replace metal roof, repair
or replace main entrance doors as approved by Building Inspector.
