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# <u>Town of Greater Napanee</u> <u>Public Notice - Heritage Lands</u>



Notice of Intention to Designate – 10469 Loyalist Parkway/Highway 33
Take notice that the Council of the Town of Greater Napanee intends to designate the lands known municipally as 10469 Loyalist Parkway/Highway 33, under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act.

## **Reasons for Designation:**

(i) <u>Description</u>: 10469 Loyalist Parkway/Highway 33, Adolphustown Village, Roll # 1121-140-010-06100, Registered Plan 60, Lot 9, RP29R 7723 Part 1

The Adolphustown Township Hall is a one and a half storey frame structure with a high peaked roof and board and batten exterior cladding. It is situated on the north side of the highway opposite the United Empire Loyalist landing site of 1784.

#### (ii) Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The hall was originally built to serve the needs of the Adolphustown Loyalist settlement. The first structure built on this site in 1796, was used for the administration of Ontario's first documented municipal government. The first community meeting and election of local representatives was held on March 6, 1792 and established processes for local decision-making. The Legislative Assembly of Ontario introduced the first Municipal Act in 1793, based on the Adolphustown model. The Adolphustown Hall was also used for the Court of Quarter Session (est. 1794) in January and July of each year (Kingston hosted the March and November court sessions).

In March of 1860, the Adolphustown Township Council began planning for the rebuilding of the hall after a disastrous fire. The new building rose on the original foundation and used some of the charred timbers salvaged from the original and reopened in 1864. It became the centre of formal civic and informal social functions for the community.

The cultural value of the property lies in the continuous use of this site for municipal governance and community needs for more than 200 years until amalgamation when Adolphustown Township became part of the new Town of Greater Napanee. Although currently owned by the United Empire Loyalist Association, the building is still used for community purposes.

Built in a simple Ontario vernacular style once common for community halls, churches and schools, it is one of the few remaining within the community in good condition. It was restored by the Adolphustown Township Council in 1977.

## (iii) Description of Heritage Attributes

Key architectural attributes that embody the heritage value of the former Adolphustown Township Hall include:

- A storey and a half symmetrical form with the front gable end facing Highway 33.
- Three symmetrical bays with double hung windows on the east and west sides.
- A timber board and batten exterior restored to original form.
- An arched entrance way on the south side with frame double doors.
- An arched top window above the door that provides light to the interior. This is an architectural feature used locally in the 1860's.

## **Notice of Objection**

**AND TAKE NOTICE THAT** any person who objects to this proposed designation shall, within 30 days after the date of the publication of this notice of intention (August 25, 2014) serve on the Town Clerk at the address below or by email, a notice of objection setting out the reason(s) for the objection and all relevant facts.

#### **More Information**

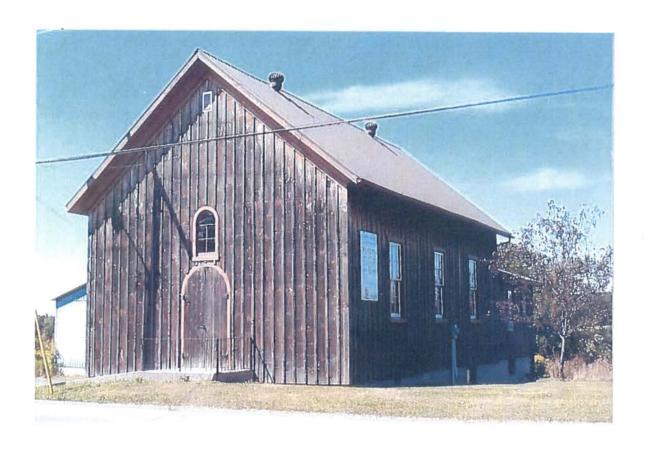
Further information respecting the proposed designation is available from the Town Clerk's Office.

Dated at Napanee this 24th day of July, 2014.

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