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THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PARRY SOUND

By-law 2011 - 5598

Being a By-law to designate property at 11 McMurray Street to be of cultural heritage value or interest

WHEREAS section 29 (1) of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18 as amended authorizes the Council of a municipality to designate property within the municipality to be of cultural heritage value or interest; and

WHEREAS the Town of Parry Sound in consultation with its Municipal Heritage Committee has by Resolution No. 2008-102 established criteria upon which to determine the architectural and/or historic interest of buildings, properties and natural/cultural heritage landscapes; and

WHEREAS the administrator of the estate owning the property has requested that the property be designated as a property of cultural heritage value or interest; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Town is satisfied that the property meets the prescribed criteria set out in Ontario Regulation 9/06; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Town has served upon the owner of the property and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has published such notice of intention in the local newspaper having general circulation in the municipality in accordance with legislated requirements; 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 TOWN OF PARRY SOUND ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The property identified as 11 McMurray Street in the Town of Parry Sound and more particularly described in Schedule "B" attached to this By-law is hereby designated as a property of cultural heritage value or interest for the reasons set out in the statement explaining the cultural heritage value or interest of the property and a description of its heritage attributes attached to this By-law as Schedule "A".
2. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "B" to this By-law in the proper Land Registry Office.
3. The Clerk is authorized and directed to cause a copy of this By-law to be served upon the owners of the property and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust and to publish notice of the By-law in the local newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.

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READ a **FIRST** time this 2nd day of June, 2011

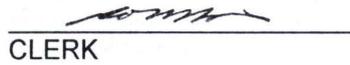

MAYOR


CLERK

READ a **SECOND** and **THIRD** time, **PASSED, SIGNED** and **SEALED**

this 2nd day of June, 2011.


MAYOR


CLERK

BY-LAW 2011 – 5598
Schedule “A”

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

Property Description:

- Part Lot 14 E/S Church St., 15 E/S Church St., Plan 2, Parts 1 to 5 Plan 42R-6758, Part Lots 14 and 15 E/S Church Street, Plan 2 designated as Parts 2, 3 and 4 Plan 42R-18985
- 11 McMurray St., NE corner of Church & McMurray Sts.
- in the core of the original town as identified by the first survey in 1869
- situated across from the original market square; between the Courthouse at the east end of McMurray St. & the home of “Governor” Beatty at the western limit, directly across from the latter
- the property was originally 2 full town lots & the house was built straddling the property line

Cultural Heritage Value or Interest:

The house appears to have been built in the late 1890s by James Moffatt, who also built the neighbouring homes at 62 & 64 Gibson St. The property was a double lot & the house was constructed on the dividing line between the two lots.

At the time the house was built, the population of the town was 2500. The 6 block area bounded by James St. on the east, Church St. on the west, Rosetta to the north & Seguin to the south was the legal, religious, commercial & residential center of the town. Directly across Church St. to the west was “Minnewawa Grove”, the home of “Governor” Beatty. The Governor’s home & the Courthouse (the earliest in northern Ontario) book-ended the two block McMurray St. The market square open space was immediately to the south.

The home was built for William Taylor Jr. William Taylor Sr. was an Irishman who came to Parry Sound about 1870. He set himself up as a shoemaker & in 1880 commenced construction of a tannery near James & Seguin St. William Taylor Jr. was in business with his father. With the ready supply of bark from the lumbering companies to feed the tannery & a steady demand for logging shoes & shoepacks, both businesses were much in demand & did well. It is easy to believe that William Jr. wanted to make a statement about his importance by locating his new home across from the town’s most prominent citizen, William Beatty. He chose a double lot which would set it off to best advantage.

Heritage Attributes:

- the double lot frontage facing Church St.
- the mix of deciduous & evergreen trees randomly planted throughout the property
- the 2 storey detached home in the shape of a cross
- the large main floor open veranda with its railing, 17” deep molded frieze & 11” diameter, pedestalled columns with Doric capitals being of particular note
- the deep fan-shaped vergeboard in 3 of the 4 peaks
- the narrow board siding (5”), cornerboards (also 5”) & matching 5” window & door trim
- the dimensions & appearance of the original double-hung windows (the north-west one facing Church St. has been changed as have all those on the east side of the house, although the latter are not obvious due to veranda, overhang & shadow)
- cross-gabled roof
- bow window
- original foundation of coursed rubble

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Schedule “B”

PIN NO. 52111-0386(LT)

Part Lot 14 E/S Church St., 15 E/S Church St., Plan 2, Parts 1 to 5 Plan 42R-6758, Part Lots 14 and 15 E/S Church Street, Plan 2 designated as Parts 2, 3 and 4 Plan 42R-18985.