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BY-LAW NUMBER 56 OF 1981

OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF ST. MARYS

BEING a By-law to designate the properties known municipally as 175 Queen Street East and 15 Church Street North as being of architectural value or interest.

WHEREAS Section 29 of The Ontario Heritage Act, 1974 authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural value or interest; and

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of St. Marys has caused to be served upon The Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intention to so designate the aforesaid real 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;

THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of St. Marys ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

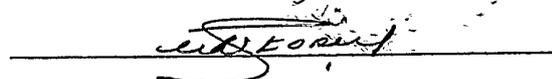
- 1) There is designated as being of architectural value or interest the real property known as Town Hall and Library Complex, more particularly described in Schedule A hereto.
- 2) The municipal solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the properties described in Schedule A hereto in the proper land registry office.
- 3) The Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be served 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 time this 14th day of July, 1981.

READ a second time this 14th day of July, 1981.

READ a third time this 14th day of July, 1981.


MAYOR


CLERK

SCHEDULE A

THE TOWN HALL - PUBLIC LIBRARY COMPLEX

Reasons for Designation:

TOWN HALL

This Romanesque Revival building, designed by George Wallace Gouinlock, Toronto Architect, was built in 1891 of St. Marys limestone with red sandstone as the contrasting elements for window arches and checkerboard effects in the facade.

The massive entrances on the south and west facades of the building and the two towers on the south emphasize the wishes of Councillor Mathieson, a member of the building committee, who stated -

" we should not adopt a florid style of ornamentation, but yet we should not erect a perfectly plain building simply because it is cheaper. The ornamentation should be of a lasting and permanent character. We are not building a hall or market for now, but for years or generations to come. Let us build right. "

Due to its prominent location on the north side of the Main Street, and dominating as it does the sky-line of the Town, its retention is important for preserving the character of the downtown area.

LIBRARY

This building was built in 1904-05 with a \$10,000.00 grant from the Andrew Carnegie Foundation. It was designed, following the accepted Carnegie Greek Temple plan, by J. A. Humphries, Architect of St. Marys. It is built of St. Marys limestone, the work being undertaken by Robt. Clyde, local stonemason.

This building, because of its relationship to the Town Hall, should be preserved, along with its stonewall.