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Re: Designation of the Leaskdale Church under the Ontario Heritage Act

Attached please find a certified copy of By-law 2009-162 being a By-law to Designate the Property known as the former St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in the Hamlet of Leaskdale, South Part of Lot 20, Concession 6 (Former Township of Scott) as Being of Architectural and Historical Value or Interest.

This By-law will be registered against the above noted property in the local Registry Office. Said notice will appear in the local paper and has been forwarded to the Property Owner for their files.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly

Debbie Leroux
Clerk

Encl.



BY-LAW NUMBER 2009-162

OF

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE

**BEING A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY
KNOWN AS THE FORMER ST. PAUL'S PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH IN THE HAMLET OF LEASKDALE, SOUTH PART
LOT 20, CONCESSION 6 (FORMER TOWNSHIP OF SCOTT),
AS BEING OF ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL
VALUE OR INTEREST**

WHEREAS Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter o.18, Part IV, authorizes the Council of a Municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural and historical value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Uxbridge has caused to be served on the owner of the lands and premises known as the former St. Paul's Church in the Hamlet of Leaskdale, South Part Lot 20, Concession 6 (former Township of Scott), and 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 a local 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;

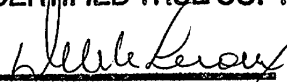
AND WHEREAS the reasons for the designation are set out in Schedule "B" hereto;

**NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP
OF UXBRIDGE HEREBY ENACTS A BY-LAW AS FOLLOWS:**

1. **THAT** there is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest, the real property known as the former St. Paul's Presbyterian Church in the Hamlet of Leaskdale, South Part Lot 20, Concession 6 (former Township of Scott) more particularly described in Schedule "A" hereto, and the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "B" hereto.
2. **THAT** the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the Land Registry Office at Whitby, Region of Durham, Province of Ontario.
3. **THAT** the Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served on the owner of the aforesaid property and on the Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of the passing of the By-law to be published in a local newspaper having general circulation in the Municipality once for each of three consecutive weeks.

READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD time and finally passed this 14th day of December, 2009.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY


TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE CLERK


**BOB SHEPHERD
MAYOR**


**DIANA STEPHEN
DEPUTY CLERK**

SCHEDULE "A"

TO BY-LAW NUMBER 2009- 162

Description of Property

11850 Regional Road 1, South Part Lot 20, Concession 6 (former Township of Scott) now in the Township of Uxbridge, Regional Municipality of Durham.

Formerly known as St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, the brick building is located on the west side of Regional Road 1 in the Hamlet of Leaskdale.

SCHEDULE "B"

TO BY-LAW NUMBER 2009- 162

REASONS FOR DESIGNATION LEASKDALE CHURCH CONCESSION 6, SOUTH PART LOT 20

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest

The former St. Paul's Presbyterian Church's cultural heritage value lies in its association with the community of Leaskdale and with the famous Canadian author of "Anne of Green Gables", Lucy Maud Montgomery. In 1911, Lucy Maud Montgomery's husband, Reverend Ewan Macdonald of Prince Edward Island, was called to Ontario to become the Minister of St. Paul's Church in Leaskdale. For the fifteen years that Reverend Macdonald served as the Minister at St. Paul's, Lucy Maud Montgomery immersed herself in church affairs and the local community while penning 11 of her popular novels.

The current church building was constructed in 1906 by Mr. Dike of Mount Albert on lands donated by George Leask to replace an earlier building constructed in 1866. Since its inception, St. Paul's Church has played an important role in the life of the community as a landmark in this quiet rural community.

Description of Heritage Attributes

Key exterior attributes that embody the heritage value of St. Paul's as a typical late 19th century rural community church include its:

- Rectangular plan with asymmetrically attached tower and entrance vestibule;
- Raised main floor and foundation parged to resemble coursed ashlar;
- Steeply pitched roof with cedar shingles;
- White brick construction with pier buttressed walls and marble date stone;
- Stained glass Gothic lancet windows with stone lugsills;
- Wooden single hung, two over two, basement windows;
- Bell tower with louvered gothic arches and concave, flared, four sided steeple;
- Vestibule with double doors and gothic transom window;

Key interior features of the St. Paul's include its:

- Ornamental pressed metal ceiling;
- Raked auditorium floor;
- Original wooden pews and pine floor;
- Hand painted mural on west wall above the altar.