

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF LINCOLN

BY-LAW NO. 01-38

A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS THE HOWARD HOUSE, 4271 QUEEN STREET, IN LOT 284, CORPORATION PLAN NO. 3, NOW TOWN OF LINCOLN AS BEING A STRUCTURE OF ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL VALUE OR INTEREST

WHEREAS:

Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18, authorizes the Council of the municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property including all buildings and structures thereon to be of architectural or historical value or interest.

The Council of the Corporation of the Town of Lincoln has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as 4271 Queen Street, in the Town of Lincoln, 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 the Grimsby/Lincoln News, a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality in its publication of March 28th, 2001.

The reasons for the designation are set out in Schedule "B" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law.

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 LINCOLN ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. There is designated as being of architectural and historical value or interest the real property known as The Howard House, 4271 Queen Street, Beamsville, Lot 284, C.P. #3, now Town of Lincoln, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto, for the reasons as described in Schedule "B" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law.
2. The Municipal Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law.
3. 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 this by-law to be published in the Grimsby/Lincoln News, a newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.

BY-LAW read a FIRST time this 7th day of May, 2001.

BY-LAW read a SECOND time this 7th day of May, 2001.

BY-LAW read a THIRD time and FINALLY PASSED this 7th day of May, 2001.

Original signed by:
MAYOR: RAY A. KONKLE

Original signed by:
CLERK: TROY J. McHARG

Schedule 'A' to By-law No. 01-38

Lot 284, Corporation Plan No. 3, now in the Town of Lincoln, Regional Municipality of Niagara.

Schedule 'B' to By-law No. 01-38

Reasons for Designation

The property on which the house sits was originally granted by The Crown to Samuel Crowne in 1803. It was sold to Jacob Beam Jr, who in turn sold it in 1847 for Five Pounds a quarter acre, more or less, to the Niagara District Council "In trust for the use of a Common School in and for School Section No. 3 in the Township of Clinton". In subsequent transactions, the property was described as 'the old brick schoolhouse' until 1859 when the school population had increased beyond the one-room capacity. For many years the house was occupied by the Ryckman family until 1935 when it was bought by local merchant Walter Howard, who lived there until 1977. Mr. Howard and his first wife, Olive (who died in 1974) raised three children, Murray, Mariam and Greg in the house. Their son Greg continued to live there until 1988 when the house was sold to the Town of Lincoln. It is currently being used as the Adult Learning & Resource Centre for West Niagara.

Originally built as a school in 1847, the house is supported by a rubblestone foundation and hand-hewn beams. The exterior is composed of red bricks with common 6th course headers, a pitched gable roof, and large double-hung windows topped with segmented bricks and shutters on all sides. Two pairs of smaller windows can be found in both the front and back gables. Inside, there are hardwood floors and some of the original moldings, such as the 6 1/2" wide windowsills and 9 1/2" baseboards. A summer kitchen was later added, closing in the back east wall.