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City of Stoney Creek - Notice of Intention to Designate Re: 1420 Highway No. 8, The Fred B. Henry House - "Spruceway"

As per the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O., 1990, Chapter 0.18, the City of Stoney Creek wishes to advise that on July 17, 1996, the attached notice was advertised in The Stoney Creek News advising of the Notice of Intention to Designate 1420 Highway No. 8.

No Notices of Objections were received by the City, and Council at its meeting held August 27, 1996 passed the designating by-law.

A copy of the Director or Planning's Report No. PL96-34, adopted at the June 25, 1996 Council meeting, is enclosed for your information.

Please provide correspondence pertaining to this matter to the undersigned.

Lisa Barroso, B.B.E. Acting Assistant to the Clerk

Attachments

Copy to:

P. Smithson, Planning Department

The Corporation of the City of Stoney Creek

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O., 1990, CHAPTER 0.18 AND THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES AT 1420 HIGHWAY NO. 8, CITY OF STONEY CREEK, PROVINCE OF ONTARIO

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

Take Notice, That the Council of the Corporation of the City of Stoney Creek intends to designate the property, including lands and buildings at the following municipal address as a property of architectural and historic value and interest under Part IV of The Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O., 1990, Chapter 0.18.

James Henry was born in 1757, married Catherine House about 1785, and died January 12, 1827 in Clinton Township, east of Beamsvile., According to family tradition, fourteen year old James Henry was taken prisoner by Indians while he was travelling with his father through the Allegheny Mountains in search of land. He escaped by crossing the Niagara River in a canoe where he was met by Colonel John Butler in whose care James remained until he was old enough to own land. The list of disbanded soldiers in 1787 in the district of Niagara includes James Henry, his wife and one child.

As a United Empire Loyalist, James Henry was granted 800 acres in Clinton Township about two and a half miles east of present day Beamsville. By 1787 he had cleared 14 acres with 8 acres sown in wheat. He became one of the first members of the Masonic Lodge at The Forty (Grimsby) in 1799 and served as a Captain with the 4th Lincoln Regiment militia during the War of 1812. Eight children were born to James and Catherine, including twin boys James R. and Robert. The eldest son, John B. Henry, born January 1, 1787, would have been the child listed with his parents in the 1787 list of disbanded soldiers. He married Ann Walker and after her death married Catherine Fortner. Another son, Harmon, born in 1791, married Elizabeth Carpenter, the daughter of Alexander Carpenter Sr. of Saltfleet Township. A daughter, Margaret, born in 1794, married Jonathan I. Pettit, the son of Squire John Pettit of The Forty.

Robert Henry, born January 23, 1809, was the eldest of nine children raised by John B. and Ann Henry. He married Margaret Willson, daughter of Hugh Willson Esq. Other children included Sarah Maria, who married Alexander Carpenter Jr., and Issac Brock Henry, who married Penelope Lewis, daughter of James Lewis. Three sons were born to Isaac Brock and Penelope. They were George C. Henry (1844-1930) Alfred Lewis Henry (1853) who died in infancy, and J. Edgar Henry (1855-1937). The latter married Ada B. Carpenter. Their only son Lewis Brock Henry, born in 1892, a captain in the 77th Regiment, was killed in action at Nun's Alley, France, on August 30, 1917.

Fred B. Henry was born to George C. and Evelyn M. Henry in 1860. He married Jennie P. Smith, daughter of R. R. Smith, a descendent of Silas Smith U.E. Fred B. Henry worked in the fruit business selling fruit in western Canada on behalf of local fruit growers. He was also involved in politics as a Councillor on the Saltfleet Township Council in the 1920s and played a part in the transfer of cemeteries to the municipality. He built at least two houses, including the Cudney House at 336 Fifty Road and Spruceway located at 1420 Highway No. 8 which was built about 1916. Spruce trees can still be seen lining the entrance drive to the property. Fred B. Henry died in 1937.

The James Henry family and its ancestors have played an importand and long-lasting part in the development and growth of the former Saltfleet Township. In particular, the residence at 1420 Highway No. 8, although in itself not of noteworthy architectural significance, does have

a firm connection to the Henry family through its builder, Fred B. Henry. Therefore, this home has been designated on the basis of the historical significance of the Henry family.

Inquiries may be directed to Paul Smithson, Planning Department, City of Stoney Creek at 643-1261.

Any person may, within thirty days of the publication of this notice, send by registered mail or deliver to Rose Caterini, Acting Clerk of the City of Stoney Creek notice of his or her objection to the proposed designation together with statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts. If such a Notice of Objection is received, the Council of the Corporation of the City of Stoney Creek shall refer the matter to the Conservation Review Board for a hearing.

Rose Caterini, A.M.C.T. Acting City Clerk

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