

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WELLAND

BY-LAW NUMBER 10973

**A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE 44 MERRITT STREET
IN THE CITY OF WELLAND, KNOWN AS THE
BRIDGETENDER'S HOUSE, OF HISTORIC OR
ARCHITECTURAL VALUE OR INTEREST**

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, chapter O.18, authorizes the council of a municipality to enact by-laws to designate real property, including all the buildings and structures thereon, to be of historic or architectural value or interest;

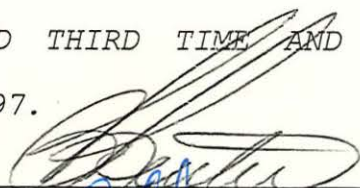

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the City of Welland has caused to be served upon the owner of the lands and premises municipally known as 44 Merritt Street, commonly known as The Bridgetender's House, and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, Notice of Intention to so designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such Notice of Intention to be published in a newspaper, having general circulation in the municipality, once a week for each of three consecutive weeks;

AND WHEREAS no Notice of Objection to the proposed designation was served upon the Clerk of the City of Welland.

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WELLAND ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the real property, more particularly described in Schedule "A" attached hereto and forming part of this By-law, known as The Bridgetender's House at 44 Merritt Street in the City of Welland, be designated as being of historic or architectural value or interest.
2. The City Solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in said Schedule "A" attached hereto in the proper Land Registry Office.
3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this By-law to be served upon the owner of the aforesaid property and upon The Ontario Heritage Foundation and to cause notice of this By-law to be published in a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Welland.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND PASSED BY COUNCIL THIS 8TH DAY OF April, 1997.


 _____ MAYOR

 _____ CLERK

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SCHEDULE "B"

44 Merritt Street

THE BRIDGETENDER'S HOUSE

Reasons for Designation

This house was built circa 1855-56 by William Page on a lot that was originally part of the pioneer Shotwell farm. The Shotwells were Welsh Americans who settled along the Welland River about 1800. William Page was a member of a United Empire Loyalist family from Vermont who settled in the Quaker Road area, also during the early 19th century. Page was a bookkeeper and later a nurseryman who served Welland as a Councillor in 1877 and 1878. In November 1856 Page sold the house to Rebecca F. Winters. During her ownership it was rented to (among others) Benjamin Diffin, a member of a United Empire Loyalist family and cooper by trade who operated a tavern at the north-east corner of West Main and Fraser Streets and served as a Welland Village Councillor in 1869. The property passed back into the Shotwell family when Elijah Shotwell purchased it from the Winters' estate in 1875. Mr. Shotwell's second wife, Eunice continued to live there after his death in 1899. In 1905 she married Thomas Lord Box. Mr. Box was born in Bedford, England and came to Canada in 1842. During the 1860's he served as Welland's Bridgetender, and later worked as a pattern maker for M. Beatty and Sons. In 1915 the house passed into the hands of Addie Hill. Later owners were Oliver and Florence Gordon and Gerald E. Nash, owner of a Ford dealership on East Main and later Niagara Streets. Among the tenants of the house during the 1930's and 40's was Howard A. Snelling, a well respected educator who was principal of Welland High School for 21 years.

This small, one and one half storey house built of Hooker brick was one of the earliest brick houses built in Welland. It exhibits an eclectic mixture of mid nineteenth century detail including a Greek Revival type gable front arrangement, Neoclassical style front entrance, Neoclassical or Adam style windows of six over six panes and two sets of Regency style French doors of sixteen panes each on the south and east sides, all of which have much of their original glass and hardware. The interior of the main section of the house retains much of its original mid-nineteenth century wood trim, doors and hardware on both floors, including Classical Revival style "eared jambs" typical of the 1850's in the first floor front hall and living room.

NOTICE
THE WELLAND TRIBUNE
Saturday, April 19th, 1997



In the matter of the Ontario Heritage Act,
R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18

And in the matter of the property referred to as
"The Bridgetender's House" in the City of Welland in the
Province of Ontario

NOTICE OF PASSING OF BY-LAW

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of
the City of Welland passed By-law 10973 on the 8th day of
April, 1997 to designate 44 Merritt Street, known as "The
Bridgetender's House" as being of architectural and histor-
ical value or interest under part IV of the Ontario Heritage
Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18.

Dated at the City of Welland this 19th day of April, 1997

CRAIG A. STIRTZINGER, City Clerk
City Hall, 411 East Main Street,
Welland, Ontario L3B 3X4

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Legal Notice	-	Tribune
One Insertion	-	Saturday, April 19 th , 1997
Send Account to:	-	Mr. Craig A. Stirtzinger City Clerk City Hall 411 East Main Street Welland, Ontario L3B 3X4

NOTICE
THE WELLAND TRIBUNE
 Saturday, February 1st, 1997

In the matter of the Ontario Heritage Act,
 R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18

And in the matter of the structure
 and property known municipally as
 "The Bridgetender's House"

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Council of the Corporation of the City of Welland intends to designate the property known as "The Bridgetender's House" and located municipally as 44 Merritt Street as a property of historical interest under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18.

REASONS FOR THE PROPOSED DESIGNATION:

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Notice of objection to the proposed designation may be filed with the Clerk of the Corporation of the City of Welland not later than the 3rd day of March, 1997.

Dated at the City of Welland this 1st day of February, 1997.

CRAIG A. STIRTZINGER, City Clerk
 City Hall, 411 East Main Street,
 Welland, Ontario L3B 3x4



Document General

Form 4 — Land Registration Reform Act

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CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION
CERTIFICAT D'ENREGISTREMENT
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M. J. Swartz
ACTING LAND REGISTRAR
REGISTRATEUR PROVINCIAL

(1) Registry <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Land Titles <input type="checkbox"/>	(2) Page 1 of 4 ₃ pages
(3) Property Identifier(s)	Block <input type="checkbox"/> Property <input type="checkbox"/>	Additional: See Schedule <input type="checkbox"/>
(4) Nature of Document By-law Number 10973		
(5) Consideration Nil Dollars \$		
(6) Description Lot No. 4 according to Shotwell and Dunigan Plan for the City of Welland, now known as Plan Numbers 549 and 550, City of Welland, Regional Municipality of Niagara.		
(7) This Document Contains:	(a) Redescription New Easement Plan/Sketch <input type="checkbox"/>	(b) Schedule for: Description <input type="checkbox"/> Additional Parties <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

New Property Identifiers

Additional: See Schedule

Executions

Additional: See Schedule

(8) This Document provides as follows:

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Continued on Schedule

(9) This Document relates to instrument number(s)
488246

(10) Party(ies) (Set out Status or Interest) Name(s)	Signature(s)	Date of Signature Y M D
THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WELLAND	 JON RICHARD REUTER, MAYOR	1997 4 24
	 CRAIG STIRTZINGER, CITY CLERK	1997 4 24

(11) Address for Service: 411 East Main Street, Welland, Ontario, L3B 3X4

(12) Party(ies) (Set out Status or Interest) Name(s)	Signature(s)	Date of Signature Y M D

(13) Address for Service

(14) Municipal Address of Property
44 Merritt Street
Welland, Ontario

(15) Document Prepared by:
GEORGE C. M. BANKS
City Solicitor
411 East Main Street
Welland, Ontario
L3B 3X4

Fees and Tax	
Registration Fee	
Total	

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