

## **BY-LAW NO. 2010-0123**

A By-law to designate Laidlaw House and the Frazier Shop, located at 519 – 521 Main Street South, Glen Williams, under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest.

**WHEREAS** Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.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 cultural heritage value or interest;

**AND WHEREAS** authority was granted by Council for the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills to designate the property at 519 – 521 Main Street South, Glen Williams, known as Laidlaw House and the Frazier Shop, as being of cultural heritage value or interest:

AND WHEREAS the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills has caused to be served upon the owners of the land and premises known as Laidlaw House and the Frazier Shop located at 519 – 521 Main Street South, Glen Williams, and upon the Ontario Heritage Trust, Notice of Intention to designate the property and has caused the Notice of Intention to be published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the municipality as required by the Ontario Heritage Act;

AND WHEREAS the reasons for designation are set out in Schedule "B" to this by-law;

**AND WHEREAS** the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills considers it desirable to designate this property as being of cultural heritage value or interest;

**AND WHEREAS** on November 15, 2010, Council for the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills approved Report No.CS-2010-0099, dated November 6, 2010, in which certain recommendations were made relating to the designation of Laidlaw House and the Frazier Shop, 519 – 521 Main Street South, Glen Williams, under Section IV of the Ontario Heritage Act;

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE COUNCIL FOR THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. THAT Laidlaw House and the Frazier Shop located at 519 521 Main Street South, Glen Williams, and further described in Schedule "A", is hereby designated under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act as being of cultural heritage value or interest for the reasons set out in Schedule "B" attached to and forming part of this by-law.
- 2. THAT a copy of this by-law together with reasons for the designation be registered against the property and served in accordance with Section 29 of the Act.
- 3. THAT a notice of this by-law be published in accordance with Section 29 of the Act.
- 4. THAT this by-law shall come into effect on December 20, 2010, provided no notice of objection has been served upon the Clerk within the 30 day period following the notice of intent to designate.

**BY-LAW** read and passed by the Council for the Corporation of the Town of Halton Hills this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2010; and further that this by-law be executed on December 20, 2010, provided no notice of objection has been served upon the Clerk within the 30 day period following the notice of intent to designate.

MAYOR - Rick Bonnette

TOWN CLERK - Suzanne Jones

## SCHEDULE "A" TO BY-LAW 2010-0123

#### **LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

Firstly:

PIN: 25058 - 0049 (LT)

Lot 56, RCP 1556, in the Town of Halton Hills, in the Regional Municipality of Halton.

Secondly:

PIN: 25058-0230 (LT)

Part Lot 79, RCP 1556, being Part 1, 20R-12394, in the Town of Halton Hills, Regional

Municipality of Halton

## **SCHEDULE "B" TO BY-LAW 2010-0123**

#### **REASONS FOR DESIGNATION**

## **Design Value**

#### The Frazier Shop

- Frame structure finished in rough-cast with full-length corner boards
- Original wide boards provide vertical skirting on the front of the store
- Decorated fascia on the gable ends consisting of equilateral triangular downward protrusions perforated with a circular hole.
  - The returned eaves are enclosed by a simple board mounted with an obtuse triangle decorated with a matching pattern.
- Simple finial which comes to a point and extends downward in a two by two inch square piece decorated with three circular holes.
  - The downward piece is tied to the fascia boards on either side by a simple piece of board.
- Original scroll brackets nine (9)
- Original wooden single hung windows consisting of 6 over 6 panes three (3)
- Original wooden slider window consisting of 4 over 4 panes
- Original storefront windows recessed into the doorway
- Original wooden double front door
- Raised wooden pilasters two (2)
- 1930s vintage lean-to veranda posts four (4)

#### Laidlaw House

Frame house covered in wooden siding with corner boards

#### **Historical or Associative Value**

The existence of a purpose-built commercial building from 1847 in close to original condition makes this building historically significant not only to the Village of Glen Williams but to the Town of Halton Hills (Township of Esquesing) as a whole. Its unique preservation may extend far beyond our municipal boundaries as well.

The well-documented association of this building with the scion of the Eaton dynasty – Timothy – make it very significant as the first place of employment for a new immigrant who went on to establish a national commercial reputation. It is also associated albeit legally, with the nationally well known firm of Burrow, Stewart and Milne of Hamilton, Ontario.

#### Contextual Value

This store and house has been a landmark on the corner of Main and Prince Streets for the majority of the history of this village. The one and a half storey store with the classic Victorian front show windows defines the historic character of the village core since it is the oldest building built for that purpose. The adjoining Laidlaw house dominates the corner, more so because of its simple lines and typical English front garden contained by the picket fence.

Both of these buildings are reflective of the type once commonly found throughout small towns and villages of this province. The Frazier Shop is an excellent preserved example of an early Victorian commercial building once common throughout Canada West. Its very appearance makes it attractive to a tourist and its historical associations enhance the attraction. Designation would encourage preservation of their unique features and continued restoration. It will also enhance the entire village of Glen Williams, maintaining the historic core of the village.