

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MILTON

BY-LAW NO. 086-2024

BEING A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS 15 COURT STREET, TOWN OF MILTON, AS BEING OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST.

WHEREAS Part IV of the *Ontario Heritage Act*, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter 0.18, as amended, authorizes the Council of a municipality to enact by-law to designate real property including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of cultural heritage value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council or the Corporation of the Town of Milton has caused to be served on the owners of the lands and premises known as, 15 Court Street in the Town of Milton 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 Town website having general circulation in the municipality;

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

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Milton hereby enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** there is designated as being of cultural heritage value or interest, the real property known as the building located at 15 Court Street, Milton, and legally described in Schedule 'A' attached hereto;
2. **THAT** 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, in the proper Land Registry Office;
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 this By-law to be published in the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.

PASSED IN OPEN COUNCIL ON OCTOBER 7, 2024.

Gordon A. Krantz Mayor

Meaghen Reid Town Clerk

SCHEDULE 'A' to BY-LAW NO. 086-2024

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

PT LT 10, BLK 13, PL 9 , PT LT 11, BLK 13, PL 9 , AKA TEETZEL'S SURVEY, N OF PEARL ST, AS IN 690835 ; PT LT 13, BLK 13, PL 9 , PART 1 , 20R4186 , AKA TEETZEL'S SURVEY, S OF MAIN ST ; T/W 690835 ; MILTON

SCHEDULE 'B' to BY-LAW NO. 086-2024

Description of Property

The Thomas Weir house, at 15 Court Street South in the Town of Milton, is a unique two-storey Edwardian Classicism Style single detached brick house built around 1912.

Physical Value or Design Value

This rectangular two-storey brick house was constructed in the Edwardian Classical style. This style was popular in Ontario at the beginning of the 20th Century. It marked the new modern times brought about by the new Century and new monarchs. It's simple, balanced design represents a reaction to the decorative excess of the late Victorian era. Edwardian Classical houses like this house are typically constructed of smooth red brick.

The box-like massing is two storeys in height, with hipped roofs. It is adorned with hip dormers on three sides. The exterior lacks ornament except for a deep-off, centred front porch. The porch is supported by smooth columns on brick piers. The decorative brackets in the porch and the front porch railing were added after 2009. Above the columns, an entablature supports the lean-to roof. Under the soffits of the roof, a similar plain frieze board echoes this detail.

A small front window lighted the stairway and became a popular feature of houses in the early 20th Century. The squared projecting bay windows, wide eaves and use of stone for the window sills and lintels give this house a grand feel. This house was likely constructed from brick produced in Milton.

Historical Value

Historically, Mathias Teetzel registered this lot, along with others, in 1851. Mathias and Charles Teetzel owned lots 11 and 13 until 1852-53. The lot changed ownership several times before the current home was built.

John Laidlaw purchased Lot 11, and John Elliott purchased Lot 13. John Laidlaw owned Lot 11 until 1865, when he sold it to Finlay McCallum. John Spedding purchased Lot 11 from McCallum in 1872. The Speddings held ownership until 1890, when the property was sold to William Hume. In 1900, Mr. Hume sold both lots (11 and 13) to Thomas E. Weir, a blacksmith who built the current house. Thomas and his wife, E. Laura, lived in this home until Thomas died in 1933.

The Weir estate sold the home in May 1934 to George Ranklin Thompson and his wife, Kathleen (Kaye) M. Drennan. George was a farmer, First World War soldier, life member of the St. Clair Masonic Lodge, superintendent of the Children's Aid Society, Public School Board, Canadian National Institute for the Blind, Milton Welfare Committee and a municipal politician, finishing as Mayor in 1952-53. George and his wife are interred in St. Stephen's Anglican Cemetery, Hornby, Ontario.

In 1939, the property was purchased by Cuthbert Foster and Mabel Laurena Lush. Mr. Lush was a well-known farmer in the Clarkson area fruit district.

Their daughter, Margaret Irene, and her husband, Vern H. Barnes, inherited the home until 1974, when it was transferred to Mary Irene Barnes and subsequently purchased by Atila Randy, who furnished the interior with twelve-inch-high baseboards, maple floors and two stained glass windows.

Contextual Value

Mathias Teetzel registered this lot, along with others, in 1851. He had purchased 44 acres in the southeast quadrant of the Milton town site from Henry Huffman Jr. for £750. He subdivided the land into lots, and by 1857, all had been sold. This plan became known as the Teetzel survey. Lots 11 and 13 show ownership held by both Mathias and Charles Teetzel until 1852-53, when they were sold. This house contributes to the heritage character of the Teetzel Survey neighbourhood. This house helps define, maintain, and support the heritage character of this neighbourhood.

Character Defining Elements/Heritage Attributes

- Box-like massing of the two-storey Edwardian Classicism Style brick house
- Low-sloped hip roof with three hip dormers and brick chimney
- Non-symmetrical plan and façade
- Running bond exterior brickwork. Brick likely produced in Milton
- One over one window, two with stained glass inserts.
- Off-centre porch with plain columns, entablature on brick piers
- Single Leaf wood panel front door with decorative transom and stained glass insert
- Contextually contributes to the heritage character of the Teetzel neighbourhood (Block 13 Pt Lots 10,11) in 1857