

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MILTON

BY-LAW NO. 037-024

BEING A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY KNOWN MUNICIPALLY AS 168 MARTIN 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, 168 Martin 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 168 Martin 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 MAY 13th, 2024.

Gordon A. Krantz

Mayor

Meaghen Reid

Town Clerk

SCHEDULE 'A' to BY-LAW NO. 037-2024

Legal Description

LT 2, BLK 10, PL 15; MILTON

SCHEDULE 'B' to BY-LAW NO. 037-2024

Description of Property

168 Martin Street is a two-storey brick house that fronts onto Martin Street. The house was built by Thomas Coxe in 1894. It is an excellent example of a Victorian-era Neo-Gothic style house.

Statement of Cultural Heritage Value and Interest

Historical or Associative Value

Historically, the lot was first registered to John Martin in 1856. It went through several owners until it was sold to Thomas Coxe in May 1893 but was only registered in May 1894. Mr. Coxe was a member of the Esquesing Township Council before moving to Milton on Jan 14, 1922, where he became the Town Councillor, serving from 1924 to 1934 except 1926. He was also a lumber dealer and retained one of the last sawmills in the area until about 1930; along with the lumber business, he sold firewood to residents and industries. Several other properties were built on his initiative. He was responsible for two large brick residences on the west side of Court Street North in 1907. One of his masterpieces, however, was the new home he built for his family on the south corner of Martin and Woodward Street in 1921. He also built the same size plan of a house on his sawmill farm in Esquesing Township. After losing his wife, he sold his property in 1900 to the Coates family.

Physical or Design Value

Physically, the two-story brick house is a good representation of the Victorian-era Neo-Gothic style house. It has a cross-gable roof with three brick chimneys. The front elevation features decorative gable pediments and barge boards. The paired windows are tall one-over-one wood windows with moulded trims, topped with unique segmented arch brick headers with protruding extrados. Ornamental wooden shutters flank the right and left sides of the paired windows on the ground and second floor. The exterior running bond bricks are likely from the Milton brickyard. The side porch entrance features an ornate timber post design and fretworks. The interior of this house was featured in the 1984 summer edition of the Canada Century Home magazine in an article entitled **Turn of the Century Transformation** written by Elizabeth Ingolfsrud. The article described the many antique furniture pieces in this house. An attached garage and rear addition were added to the house in 2007, and a side addition was made in 2012. These additions are tastefully done, and the design is sympathetic to the original house.

Contextual Value

Contextually, this property contributes to the heritage character of Martin Street, published in the Toronto Star review by Christopher Hume on Jul 4, 2009, as one of the top three streets to live on in Toronto.

Character Defining Elements/Heritage Attributes

- A two-storey brick Victorian-era Neo-Gothic style house with three single-stack brick chimneys
- Cross gable roof with decorative pediments and barge board
- One-over-one tall windows with flanking shutters, segmented arch brick headers with protruding extrados, and plain stone lug sill.
- Off-centered entrance with open ornate front porch with decorated timber post and fretworks
- Single leaf three-panel door with transom and moulded trims
- Home of Thomas Coxe, former Milton Councillor and lumber dealer.
- A historical house that contributes to the Martin Street character