## THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF PENETANGUISHENE



## BY-LAW 2002-81

## A BY-LAW TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS DAULT BLOCK, 1 SIMCOE STREET AS BEING OF HISTORIC OR ARCHITECTURAL VALUE OR INTEREST

WHEREAS the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter O.18, Section 29, authorizes council to pass a by-law to designate real property including all buildings and structures thereon, to be of architectural and/or historic value or interest;

AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Penetanguishene has served on the owners of the lands and premises known as the "Dault Block", 1 Simcoe Street, and upon the Ontario Heritage Foundation, notice of intent to designate the aforesaid real property and has caused such notice of intent to be published once in the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality;

AND WHEREAS no notice of objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Clerk of the municipality;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Penetanguishene enacts as follows:

- 1. The real property known as the "Dault Block," 1 Simcoe Street, more particularly described as Plan 36, Part Lot 40, in the Town of Penetanguishene, County of Simcoe in the Province of Ontario, is hereby designated as being of Architectural and Historic Value and interest as provided for in the reason for designation attached hereto as Schedule "A."
- 2. The municipal solicitor is hereby authorized to cause a copy of this by-law to be registered against the property described in Schedule "A" hereto in the proper land registry office.
- 3. 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 once in the same newspaper having general circulation in the municipality.
- 4. Schedule "A" to this by-law shall form part of this by-law.

BY-LAW read a first, second and third time and finally passed in open Council this 25<sup>th</sup> day of September 2002.

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## REASONS FOR DESIGNATION

The property located at 1 Simcoe Street, known as the Dault or Jennings Block, is recommended for heritage designation for reasons of its historical, contextual and architectural significance.

Historically the property was originally owned by Alfred Sneath in 1876 and sold to Donald Dault in 1901. The existing building on the property is believed to have been built circa 1885-1894 and is noted in the Fire Insurance Plans for that period. The property was owned and occupied by J.B. Jennings and W.H. Hewson. Both had professional offices in this building. Mr. Jennings who was Mayor of the Town operated an insurance agency and Mr. Hewson who was Clerk of the Town operated a law office at this location. Both were prominent businessmen in the period.

The Penetanguishene Water and Light Commission first appeared in the assessment rolls in 1923 and remained until the mid 1990's. Throughout its lifetime this building has continuously seen numerous commercial uses.

The Building is compatible with the Commercial District of the Town where it sits and is significant due to its location on a corner. It presents a visual landmark for persons travelling south and is compatible with the other corner structures at the intersection. It is representative of the style of commercial buildings in the Town for that period.

The building is a good example of a turn of the century commercial conservative Victorian style from the era of 1885-1894 and is situated on its original site.

There are some distinct characteristics of this brick building that are very prominent. The building cornices as well as the storefront cornice and signboard are quite elaborate on this building which are sympathetic to the originals. Base panels have been installed along with new windows at the bottom of the building, which fit nicely with the original characteristics of the building. Six columns along the front of the building highlight the windows and doorways. Other visual elements of this Victorian style building are the original upper windows, three at the front and two at the side facing Main Street. Each of the windows has a brick voussoir above it. The more recent addition of awnings is appropriate to Victorian commercial buildings of this period. The recessed doorways are typical of a Victorian commercial building. The roof has been replaced over the years but the original roofline has been maintained.