

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF RIDEAU LAKES

BY-LAW 2007-58

Being a By-Law to designate the property located in the Village of Delta, Township of Rideau Lakes at 71 King Street (north side of County Road 42), also known as the Omer Brown House, as a property of Cultural Heritage value and interest under Section 12, Part IV, of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.0.18, as amended.

WHEREAS Section 29, Part IV, of the Ontario Heritage Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.0.18, as amended, provided that By-Laws may be passed by Council designating properties of Cultural Heritage Value and Interest;

AND WHEREAS the building known as the Omer Brown House, Village of Delta, has been evaluated using standard evaluation criteria and found to be eligible for designation under Section 29, Part IV, of the Ontario Heritage Act;

AND WHEREAS Notice of Intention to pass a Designation By-Law was given in accordance with Section 29, Part IV, of the Ontario Heritage Act in the manner as set out in Schedule "C" of this By-Law on or before the 19th, day of July 2007.

AND WHEREAS no person has filed any objection to the Designation By-Law;

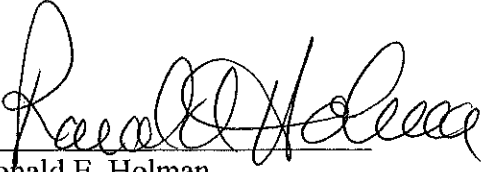
AND WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Rideau Lakes deems it desirable to designate the building known as the Omer Brown House, Village of Delta, as a property of Cultural Heritage Value and Interest under Section 29, Part IV, of the Ontario Heritage Act;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Rideau Lakes enacts as follows:

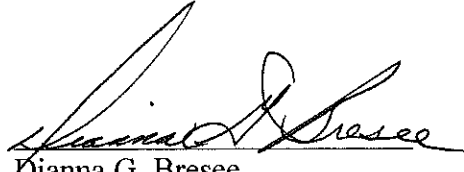
1. That the property with the building known as the Omer Brown House, at 71 King Street, Village of Delta, and having the legal description set out in Schedule "A", attached hereto and forming part of this By-Law, is designated as a property of Cultural Heritage Value and Interest.
2. That the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value and Interest and description of Heritage attributes supporting that Cultural Heritage Value and Interest set out in Schedule "B", attached hereto and forming part of this By-Law, are hereby adopted.
3. That the Clerk shall cause a copy of this By-Law, together with its Schedules to be registered against the property in the Land Registrar's Office for Leeds and shall serve, by Registered Mail, a copy of the By-Law together with its Schedules upon the property owner and the Ontario Heritage Trust.

This By-Law shall take force and effect upon final passage hereof.

Read a first and second a time this 16th day of July 2007.

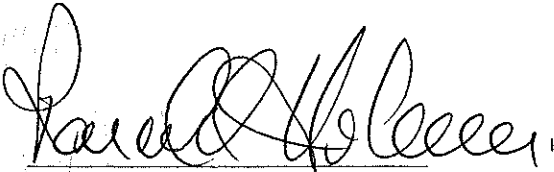


Ronald E. Holman
Mayor

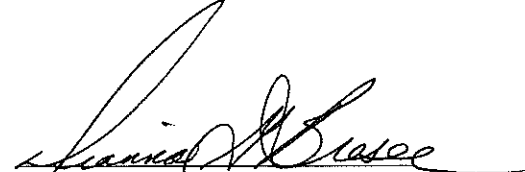


Dianna G. Bresee
Clerk

Read a third time and finally passed this 20th day of August 2007.



Ronald E. Holman
Mayor



Dianna G. Bresee
Clerk

SCHEDULE "A"

BY-LAW NO. 2007-58

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

71 King Street (north side of County Road 42), Village of Delta, Township of Rideau Lakes.

SCHEDULE "B"

BY-LAW NO. 2007-58

The Omer Brown House
Address: 71 King Street, Delta

Description of Historic Place

The Omer Brown House consists of a two and one-half storey brick structure located at No. 71 King St. (north side of Highway 42) in the Village of Delta.

G.P.S: 44. 6079 76.1218

The Township of Rideau Lakes recognizes the heritage value
of the Omer Brown House
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Statement of Cultural Heritage Value:

(More complete information available in support documentation)

The Associative and Historic Value of the Omer Brown House is associated with two of Delta's most active citizens within the economic and cultural life of Delta in the late nineteenth and early twentieth century, Omer and Leaffie Brown, prosperous merchant and artist, respectively. The Brown home was a Mecca within Delta's political and social life. Citizens from near and far, rich and poor came to their majestic residence. Omer served as Justice of the Peace, Reeve of the Township of Bastard and South Burgess and Warden of the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville. While local politics was being decided over the dining room table, Leaffie was pursuing her many artistic interests including instruction in watercolours in her salon.

The Physical Value: The Omer Brown House is a fascinating example of a unique local interpretation of period architecture crafted by talented artisans from the Delta area. Constructed largely of brick and adorned with fine trim in wood, the Omer Brown House manifests complex roof lines in heritage metal, beautiful verandas, a very unique balcony and elegant windows and doorways.

The Contextual Value: The Omer Brown House reflects by site and situation the prominence of its original owners. It is located on a rise and graced by a wide lawn onto King Street, once and now the main thoroughfare through Delta. This elegant structure is a highlight among the fine homes of brick and board that grace this streetscape, a marvelous inheritance from the late 1800's, a time of prosperity and fine fashion in architecture.

Description of Heritage Attributes:

Those character-defining elements that reflect the architectural value of the Omer Brown House include:

Two-and-one-half storey elaborate brick building incorporating a wide variety of styles of the early 1900's
Rectangular in shape with a short façade facing King Street (Hwy #42)
Two-storey projecting bays, one on the façade and one on the north-west side
Four sided, flat-topped Mansard roof of heritage metal
Three gables; two over the projecting bays and one over the upper balcony
Gables are decorated with wooden brackets beneath and carved wooden ornaments above
The roof also manifests two dormers and one chimney
Most windows have structural openings, are segmental in shape and capped with brick voussoirs enclosing sashes with two-over-two pane arrangements
The main entrance is situated off-centre. It is flat and rectangular and capped with brick voussoir. It is single-leafed, of 6 panels and some panels of stained glass.
An open veranda graces the façade and north-west side of the building. It has an open railing, ornate columns and decorated trim. Above the veranda on the façade is a balcony with open railing and decorated brackets. Its gabled roof supported by a unique single column.

(Illustrative photographs available in support documentation)

SCHEDULE "C"

BY-LAW 2007-58

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE

Take Notice that the Council of The Corporation of the Township of Rideau Lakes intends to designate the properties as set out hereto:

- 1) 71 King Street (north side of Highway 42) in the Village of Delta, G.P.S: 44.6079 76.1218, known as the Omer Brown House, built in 1905.
- 2) 36 King Street (north-west side) in the Village of Delta, G.P.S: 44.6112 76.1221, known as the Delta United Church, built in 1888.
- 3) 5 Mathew Street (north side) in the Village of Delta, G.P.S: 44.6091 76.1209, known as the Denaut Mansion, built in 1849.

The purpose of these Designation By-Laws is to protect the buildings and certain features of the properties for their historical/associative, design/physical and contextual value of interest.

A background report and complete statement of Cultural Heritage value and interest with a description of the heritage attributes that form part of the Designation By-Law are available from the Clerk's Office, Township of Rideau Lakes, 1439 County Road 8, Chantry.

Notice of Objection to the proposed Designations, together with a statement of the reasons for the objection and all relevant facts may be served with the Clerk of the Township of Rideau Lakes before 4:00 p.m., August 20th, 2007.

Dated at the Township of Rideau Lakes this 16th, day of July 2007.



A. Omer Brown House c. 1970



B. Omer Brown House c. 2007 - being restored



C. Omer Brown House c. 2007 – being restored

Conclusion: It is the recommendation of the Municipal Heritage Advisory Committee to the Council of the Township of Rideau Lakes that the structure as described at 71 King Street in the Village of Delta and known as the Omer Brown House be considered by Council with the intention to designate it under the Ontario Heritage Act.