

## IN THE MATTER OF THE ONTARIO HERITAGE ACT, R.S.O. 1990, c. O.18, SECTION 29 (3).

AND IN THE MATTER OF THE LANDS AND PREMISES known as Bonnie Park and Lorne Park in Jackson's Point.

# NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DESIGNATE A PROPERTY OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Georgina intends to designate the following property for reasons of cultural heritage value or interest:

BONNIE PARK and LORNE PARK 1 Bonnie Boulevard, Jackson's Point Georgina, Ontario

being part of the Water Lot in front of Lot 2, Concession 9 Georgina designated as Parts 1 and 2 on Plan 65R-21566, and part of Block G, Plan 69, Sutton, designated as Part 3 on Plan 65R-35243.

# STATEMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE VALUE OR INTEREST OF THE PROPERTY

## **Design Value or Physical Value**

Bonnie Park and Lorne Park have design value or physical value because they constitute a rare, unique, representative or early example of a style, type, expression, material or construction method. Together they comprise an early and representative example of parkland established through the conversion of a rail right-of-way to public open space. They are also a unique expression of the former Lake Simcoe Junction Railway, an important feature which contributed to the industrial and recreational history of Jackson's Point and whose arrival and removal were turning points in Jackson's Point's history.

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

Bonnie Park and Lorne Park have historic or associative value because they have direct associations with a theme, event, belief, person, activity, organization or institution that is significant to the community. The parks result from the removal of a railway line which was significant in providing access to Jackson's Point for recreational and industrial purposes. Starting at Union Station in Toronto, the railway brought people from communities in the south to enjoy Jackson's Point Park. In addition, the railway supported the industrial uses of the harbour, including the lumber and ice-cutting industries, and contributed to shipping these products to communities outside Jackson's Point. The parks also included the Edgewater Dance Pavilion from 1934 to 1963, which was an important social space in Jackson's Point. Along with the adjacent lands at 20 Bonnie Boulevard, the property played a role in timber production and ice storage in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.

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The parks also have the ability to yield further information about the Lake Simcoe Junction Railway, contributing to a greater understanding of the industrial history of the adjacent lands, the Jackson's Point Harbour and Lake Simcoe.

## **Contextual Value**

Bonnie Park and Lorne Park have contextual value because they are physically, visually or historically linked to their surroundings. The parks are historically linked to the Jackson's Point Harbour, the industrial function of the adjacent lands at 20 Bonnie Boulevard, and the former Jackson's Point Park. The rail corridor played an important part in providing access into and out of the harbour for materials produced in the area, and for people visiting Jackson's Point Park.

#### **Description of Heritage Attributes**

Bonnie Park and Lorne Park retain the following heritage attributes:

- 1. The location and shape of the parks from Lake Drive to the Jackson's Point Harbour, which express the layout of the original rail corridor and have contributed to the industrial and recreational history of the area; and
- 2. The two wood pavilions in the northernmost portion of Bonnie Park, which replicate the shape, design and select wood detailing of the historic railway pavilions from the Jackson's Point railway.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Further information is available for viewing at the Office of the Clerk in the Town of Georgina Municipal Offices, 26557 Civic Centre Road, Keswick, Ontario.

## TIME FOR DELIVERY OF NOTICE OF OBJECTION

Notice of objection to the intention to designate the property described above may be served on the Clerk within thirty days of the date of publication of this Notice. The last day to appeal the proposed designation is **July 19, 2024**.

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