

SCHEDULE 'A'

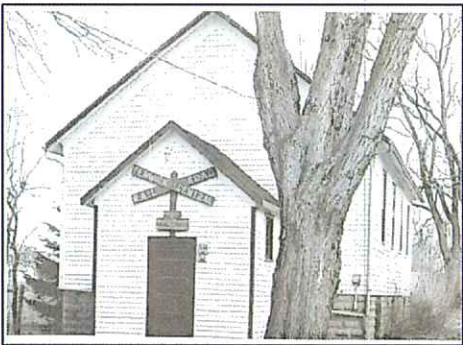
LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Lot 2 N/A East Canboro Street, Plan 703 Pelham; Part Lot 1 N/A East Canboro Street, Plan 703 Pelham being Parts 1, 2, 3 & 4, 59R-7128 & as in RO 104404, S/T RO 209833; Pelham

SCHEDULE B
DESIGNATION STATEMENT

1141 MAPLE STREET
Fenwick ON L0S1C0
"The Quaker Meeting House"

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Date of Construction: 1807
Architectural Influence(s): N/A
Historical Association(s): Quakers, Elias Hicks, the Women's Institute
Heritage Evaluation Grade: A



Statement of Design and/or Architectural Value and/or Interest:

The Quaker Meeting House is a single-detached, one-and-a-half storey building that sits close to the property line on Maple Street. It holds both institutional and landmark value to the community of Fenwick and Town of Pelham as a whole. It features a front gable roof with a smaller gable projecting from the front with small four-pane windows on either side. It has four eight-pane, double-hung windows on either side and three fenced in basement windows on either side. The building itself is completely white clapboard, and accented with green along the eaves, windows, door and drainpipes. There is an old tin chimney pipe on the roof and a very high old-brick foundation.

The building was purpose-built to meet the needs of the Quakers for a place to hold their meetings and as such the building design is simple, without adornment and high windows to minimize distraction from outside. This style is representative of the principles of the Quakerism and the style of early meeting houses. Original features are believed to include the exterior wooden cladding, windows and trim, interior wooden door, window and door trim, wooden plank floors and wainscoting.

Statement of Historical and/or Associative Value and/or Interest:

The Society of Friends, also known as the Quakers, settled in Pelham as early at 1793. A log meeting house was erected at what is now the corner of Welland and Effingham, and it was replaced in 1807 with a larger frame building. The teachings of Elias Hicks split the congregation in 1828, with the more conservative members leaving for Pelham Corners and the "Hicksites" remaining. The "Quaker Meeting House" was erected in 1875.

Upon reconciliation between the two groups, the Hicksites joined the Quakers on Haist Street and The Women's Institute took possession of the Quaker Meeting House. The Fenwick branch of the Women's Institute was the first in Pelham. Records speculate that it began in 1910 with Mrs. Emma Fitzgerald (later Mrs. A.C. Hansler) as president, and Mrs. Charles Fegan as secretary. In 1929 they were given permission to move the former Quaker Meeting House from its corner location at Effingham and Welland to its present location on Maple Street. They placed it on a new block foundation, repaired it and proceeded to hold meetings there until 1970.

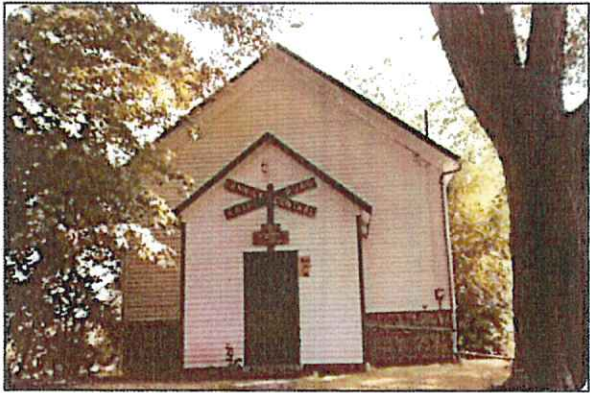
The Model Railroad Club was formed in 1967 in Niagara Falls, and was subsequently moved to Fenwick in 1972. Their meetings commenced in the Quaker Meeting House building. The Town of Pelham provided the Niagara Model Railway Engineers with their headquarters based on the understanding that the club would keep the building in good condition.



Statement of Contextual Value and/or Interest:

The building is located in the heart of Fenwick, just down the road from the iconic Fenwick Flag Pole and from the central commercial area of the village. The building has been a landmark within the community of Fenwick, as the meeting location for early community groups that were instrumental in its early settlement and development. In more recent times, the building has served as a location for the community and people from around the Niagara Region to celebrate and learn about model railroading.

Source: Pelham Historical Calendar, 1987, 1995;
Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee Project, 1983



Additional Photographs of 1141 Maple Street:

