

Municipal Heritage Committee Report

Report Number:	KLMHC2025-045
Meeting Date:	June 6, 2025
Title:	Alteration Application – Sturgeon Point Rain Shelter, Sturgeon Point
Description:	Proposed alteration to the Sturgeon Point Rain Shelter (PT BED STURGEON LAKE IN; FRONT OF CON 10 PT LOT 10; (FMLY FENELON) RP 57R7926; PARTS 1 & 2, FENELONSTURGEON POINT)
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Background:

Under the City of Kawartha Lakes' delegated authority by-law for the alteration of designated heritage properties (By-law 2019-154), approvals for minor alterations to properties designated individually under Part IV of the Act are delegated to staff in consultation with the Kawartha Lakes Municipal Heritage Committee. Minor alterations are defined in the by-law and include changes to the property including, but not limited to, the replacement of exterior elements, additions, the construction of accessory structures, hard landscaping, and the installation of utilities.

The Sturgeon Point Rain Shelter (PT BED STURGEON LAKE IN; FRONT OF CON 10 PT LOT 10; (FMLY FENELON) RP 57R7926; PARTS 1 & 2, FENELONSTURGEON POINT) is designated individually by By-law 2018-184 which is a replacement of an older designating by-law, By-law 2007-06. The 2018 by-law is attached as Appendix A. The property, which does not have a municipal address and is alternatively known by its legal description noted above, is designated as a rare, intact example of an Edwardian rain shelter constructed as a waiting area for steamboat transport and as an important physical feature in the historic landscape of Sturgeon Point. The property is privately owned by the Trustees for the Village of Sturgeon Point which owns a number of publicly-accessible assets in the village.

An application has been made to replace the foundation of the rain shelter which has deteriorated substantially. The proposal is to raise the structure and pour a new concrete slab foundation after which the structure will be lowered back onto the new foundation. The foundation will be in the same location and of the same size as the existing foundation. When the foundation is raised, the existing floor joists will be inspected and be replaced or repaired if necessary. There will be no change to the existing historic structure unless there are deteriorated joists which require replacement once they are inspected. The site plan, building drawings and engineered slab plan are attached to this report as Appendix B and C.

Rationale:

Staff are supportive of the approval of this application. The proposed new foundation does not have a negative impact on the historic building and should have a positive long-term impact on its conservation by ensuring that its foundation is sound, as well as through the inspection of the floor joists to assess their condition.

Other Alternatives Considered:

There are no recommended alternatives.

Financial/Operation Impacts:

There are no financial or operational impacts as a result of the recommendations of this report.

Consultations:

Property owner/applicant.

Attachments:

Appendix A - By-law 2018-184



Appendix B – Site Plan and Drawings



Appendix C – Engineered Slab Plan



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