

Township hall cost \$800!



Belmont-Methuen Township Municipal Building

In the year 1855 the Townships of Belmont and Methuen separated from the Township of Asphodel and became the United Townships of Belmont-Methuen until the years 1863-1864 when the Municipality became known as the United Townships of Belmont, Methuen, Chandos, Cardiff, Harcourt and Brunton. This continued until 1865 when the municipality once again became the Townships of Belmont and Methuen and has continued as such to the present day.

In March 1883 the council of that year - Reeve Brown and Councillors Wilde, Bonar, Anderson and Boyd - prepared plans to build a township hall. They made a contract with Napoleon Preneveau to purchase the land of the present hall site and let the contract for building to Mr. Preneveau for the sum of \$800. Mr. Preneveau was paid \$400 in September 1883 and another \$400 in December 1883. In December 1883 the council contracted with Mr. Preneveau to lath, plaster and supply desk, table and chairs for the hall for the amount of \$150. and that amount

was to be paid from taxes levied in 1884. This was paid in December 1884. At a meeting it is noted that a resolution was passed authorizing the payment of \$1 for a cord of wood for use at the township hall. The wood was to be supplied by Anderson, and an order was issued Mark Scott for the sum of \$2.00 for the same for the hall.

Twenty-four persons have served townships as reeve over the years a total of 90 persons have been elected to council. Total assessment for 1911 - \$226,250. Total assessment for 1918 - \$3,536,000. Total population for 1918 - 1,676. Total population for 1966 - 1,676.

Havelock Citizen Office Hours

Monday 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 noon
Tuesday Closed
Wednesday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Thursday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
Friday 9 a.m. to 12 noon 1 p.m. to 5