

HISTORICAL NOTES

In 1788 that part of Scugog Island (about 7/8 of the whole) which lies to the west of the old Town Line (shown in red) was included in the sub-division of Upper Canada which was know as the District of Nassau. The rest of the Island, was included in the District of Newcastle, to the east.

In 1798 a new division was made, comprised of the Counties of Durham and Northumberland, Simcoe, and York, of which the present County of Ontario formed a part. This new division was called the Home District.

In 1851 the Home District was broken up and a part of it was made into the United Counties of York, Ontario and Peel.

In 1852 the Provisional County of Ontario was created.

In December 1853, the Provisional County of Ontario was separated from York and Peel and became the independant County of Ontario, being organized in January 1854.

By County By-Law No. 23, passed June 22, 1855, Scugog Island was separated from Reach and Cartwright and became the independent Township of Scugog, being organized Monday the 25th day of February, 1856.

Scugog's first Council was made up of James Warren Gamble, Reeve, and Councillors Mathew Emerson, Solomon Fralick Daniel Williams and Joseph Reader.

(these notes were found in the Township of Scugog Papers in 1974, after the creation of the New Township of Scugog, I believe the Notes to be written by John L. Sweetman, Clerk of the Township about 1937)