KAMANISKEG ROADSIDE PARK

Part of Lot. 23 Concession 4 Geo. TWP. Sherwood

HWY 62 Barrys Bay, On.



Background

On March 14th 2014; at the Madawaska Valley Horticultural Society's meeting of the executive board, representatives from the Township of Madawaska Valley asked for design ideas from the Society for the reclamation and restoration of the MOT's roadside park off Hwy 62 south of Barrys Bay.

At that meeting the liability of the stone barbecues (built from white quartz) was mentioned and the possibility of the removal of the stone structures from the park. Members of the MVHS proposed retaining the barbecues and reusing them as planters in order to preserve what many, including the writer, feel are a long time feature of the roadside park and somewhat of a local landmark. Also brought forward by the Township was the need to upgrade the access trail to the shoreline and the installation of portable outhouses and garbage containers on site.

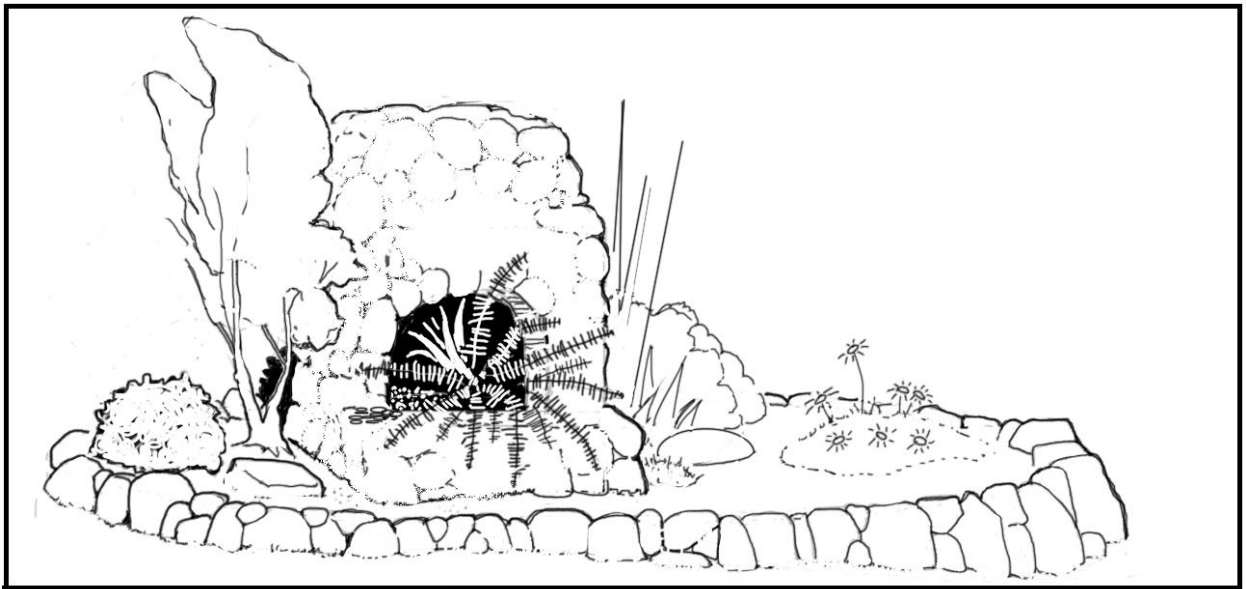
The following sketches are presented for discussion only and to highlight some of the natural features of the location. The sketches are presented here using the Greening of Madawaska Valley's theme of rock, timber and plantings; with special attention to interesting native plant species.

In our opinion, the main feature at the park is the view of Barrys Bay, and the northern section of Kaminiskeg Lake including Blueberry Point, Bleskie's Point and Mask Island. All are historic landmarks, and have high value for heritage interpretation and public education. The view of the lake can be easily revealed through careful and selective pruning of the lower branches on the existing pines. Likewise we feel less is more, and a light hand should be used to maintain the natural benefits at the location. We welcome your input and comments.

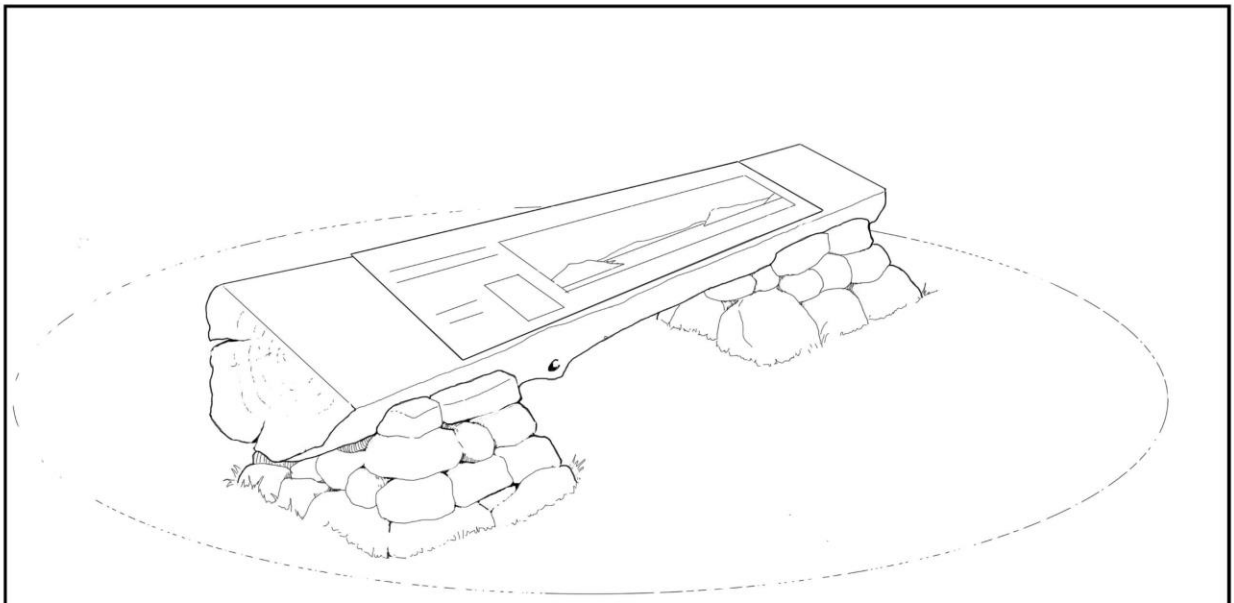
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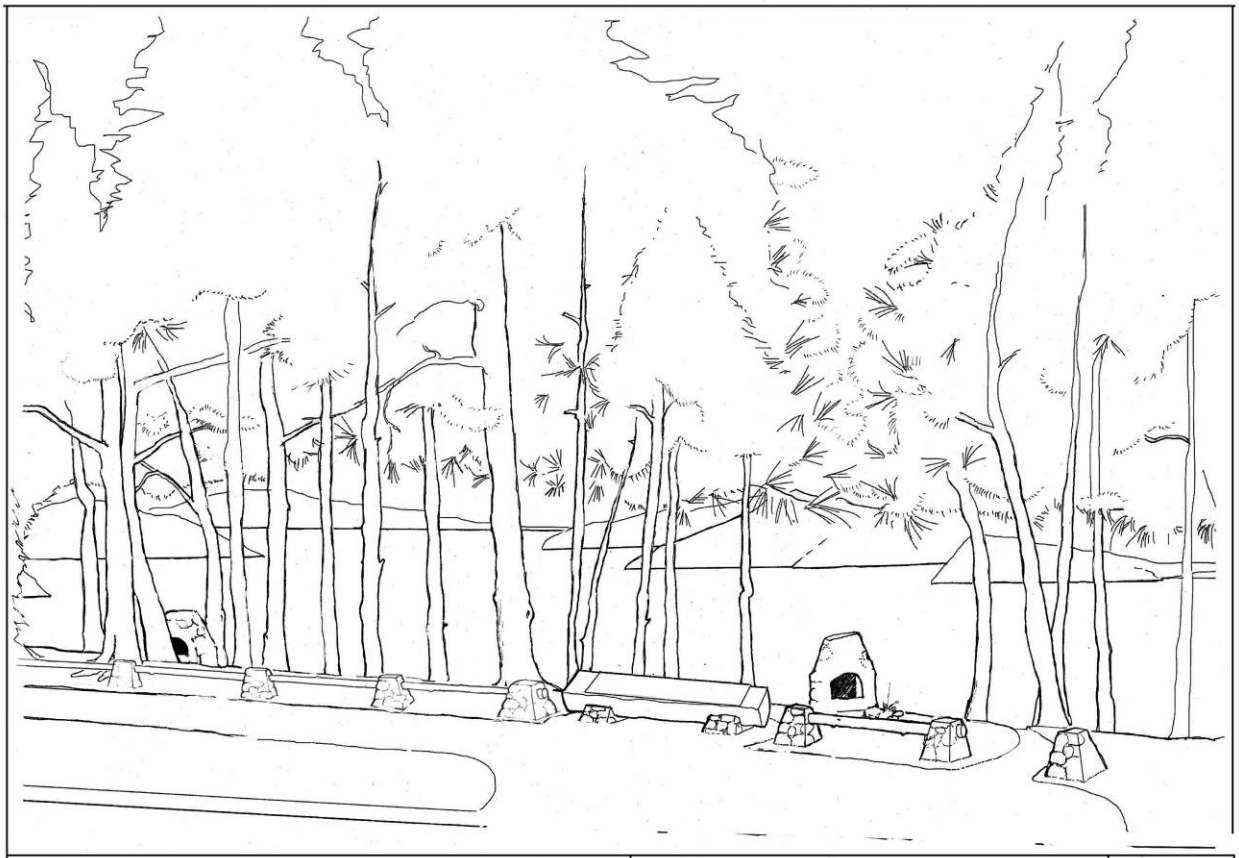
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KAMANISKEG ROADSIDE PARK	Adapting the barbecues for reuse as planters



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FOR DISCUSSION ONLY	3.5X1.5M interpretive sign using the Barry's Bay Heritage Walk format explaining the history of Kamaniskeg Lake & The Bay.



KAMANISKEG ROADSIDE PARK HWY 62 BARRYS BAY, ONT.	Illustration for discussion purposes only to show the the sites potential for a heritage marker.	