

FORM B - BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
294 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108

AREA

FORM NO.

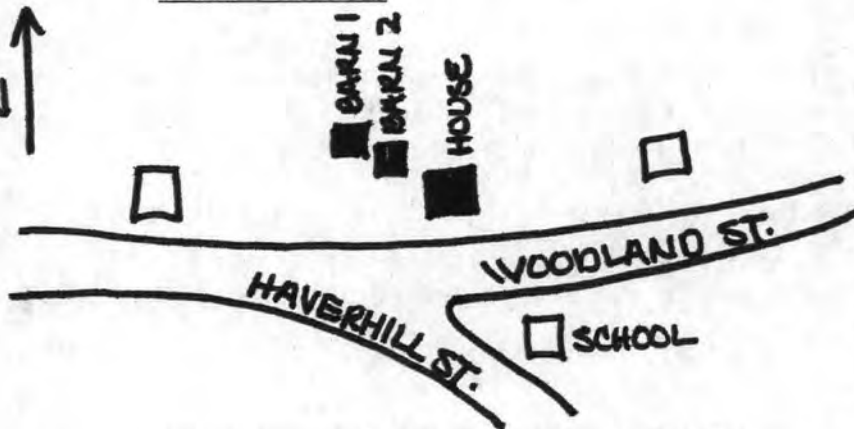
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PHOTO: (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)
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Photo number 8-19 (north)
8-20 (barns)
8-21 (destroyed)
8-22 (detail)
8-23 (east)

SKETCH MAP

Show property's location in relation
to nearest cross streets and/or
geographical features. Indicate
all buildings between inventoried
property and nearest intersection.
Indicate north.



Recorded by Gail Hunton/Carole Zellie

Organization Landscape Research, Ltd.

Date May, 1978/May, 1983

Assessor's Data: Block 151, Lot 143H

Town Methuen

Address 165 Haverhill Street

Historic Name Stephen Barker House;

Woodland Cottage

Present Owner: Norma W. Couture

Use: Present private residence

Original same

DESCRIPTION:

Date 1839 (with later additions)

Source Methuen Historical Commission

Style Greek Revival

Architect Unknown horizontal wood siding

Exterior wall fabric flushboards/stucco

Outbuildings two barns

Major alterations (with dates) none

Moved no Date n/a

Approx. acreage 5 1/2 200 sq. ft.

Setting located in southwest corner of
town in mixed residential/commercial area

UTM Reference: Lawrence Quad 1:25,000
19 319880 4730370

(Staple additional sheets here)

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.)

165 Haverhill Street is one of Methuen's most unusual residences. The six gable-roofed dormers are an original feature of owner Stephen Barker's design. A fluted Doric column-porch is carried around three sides of the steep-gable roof; the sidehall entry is surrounded by glazed sidelights and transom. In addition to the 1839 house, the property includes a carriage house/garage which reportedly contains structural members from a 1737 barn.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.)

165 Haverhill Street possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, and workmanship, and meets criterion C of the National Register of Historic Places. It is significant as a well conserved "country residence", one of several handsome houses built at the periphery of the Methuen settlement in the mid 19th century. Reportedly, surveyor Stephen Barker built "Woodland Cottage" in imitation of antebellum mansions he had seen in the South.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES (name of publication, author, date and publisher)

1872 Essex County Atlas

Methuen Historical Commission Records.

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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12/1/87

date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

Page 1 of 5

Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

dnr-11

Name Methuen Multiple Resource Area
State Essex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Cover

OK

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- | | | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Barker, Stephen, House | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | <u>Shelous Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
| | | Attest | |
| 2. Buswell, J. E., House | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | <u>Shelous Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
| | | Attest | |
| 3. Daddy Frye's Hill Cemetery | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | <u>Shelous Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
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| 4. Dolan, Terence, House | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | <u>Shelous Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
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| 5. Double-arch Sandstone Bridge | | Keeper | <u>Shelous Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
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| 6. Emerson House | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | <u>Shelous Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
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| 7. Emerson, Capt. Oliver,
Homestead | Entered in the
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| 8. Emmons, G. B., House | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | <u>Shelous Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
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| 9. First Baptist Church | Entered in the
National Register | for Keeper | <u>Shelous Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
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| 10. Hardy, Urias, House | | Keeper | <u>Shelous Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
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Substantive Review

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Barker, Stephen, House (Methuen MRA)
Essex County
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. DEC - 7 1983
Fed. Reg. Date: 2-5-85
Date Due: 1/5/84 - 1/20/84
Action: ☒ ACCEPT 1/20/84
☐ RETURN
☐ REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

Entered in the
National Register

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership Public Acquisition	Status Accessible	Present Use
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4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ☐ excellent | ☐ deteriorated |
| ☐ good | ☐ ruins |
| ☐ fair | ☐ unexposed |

Check one

- ☐ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one

- ☐ original site
☐ moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- ☐ summary paragraph
- ☐ completeness
- ☐ clarity
- ☐ applicable criteria
- ☐ justification of areas checked
- ☐ relating significance to the resource
- ☐ context
- ☐ relationship of integrity to significance
- ☐ justification of exception
- ☐ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification _____

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

____ national ____ state ____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



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Methuen, N.H., Ma

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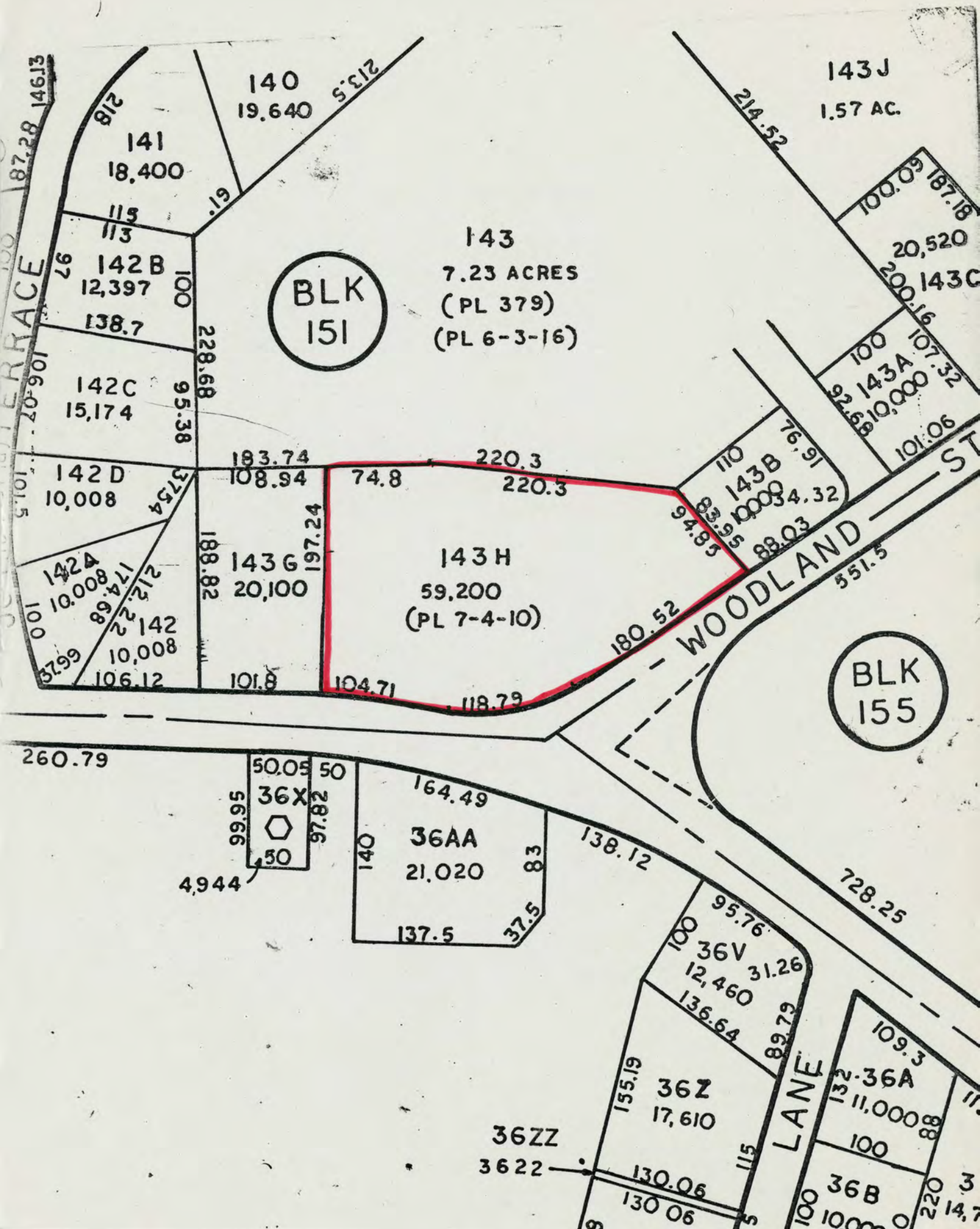
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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000284