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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions.



1. Name of Property

Historic name: Former Town Office and Jail
Other names/site number: N/A
Name of related multiple property listing: N/A
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

2. Location

Street & number: 47 Burleigh Street
City or town: Island Falls State: Maine County: Aroostook
Not For Publication: N/A Vicinity: N/A

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:

national statewide local

Applicable National Register Criteria:

A B C D

<u>Kurt A. Mohney, SHPO</u>	<u>2/11/2019</u>
Signature of certifying official/Title:	Date
MAINE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION	
State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government	

In my opinion, the property <input type="checkbox"/> meets <input type="checkbox"/> does not meet the National Register criteria.	
Signature of commenting official:	Date
Title	State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

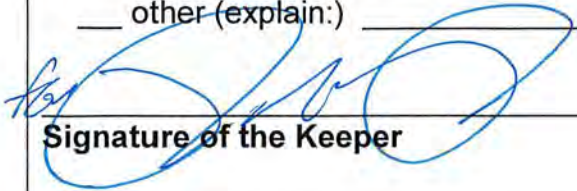
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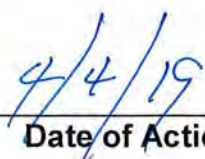
4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register
- determined eligible for the National Register
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register
- other (explain:)



Signature of the Keeper



Date of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply.)

- Private
- Public – Local
- Public – State
- Public – Federal

Category of Property

(Check only one box.)

- Building(s)
- District
- Site
- Structure
- Object

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Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>	_____	buildings
_____	_____	sites
_____	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

GOVERNMENTAL / office

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions.)

storage

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

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7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions.)

OTHER: pyramid roof

Materials: (enter categories from instructions.)

Principal exterior materials of the property: Foundation: concrete, Walls: decorative concrete block, Roof: asphalt

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable. Begin with a **summary paragraph** that briefly describes the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

Summary Paragraph

The small, decorative concrete block Town Office and Jail are located in Island Falls, Aroostook County, Maine. The small town is located in heavily wooded northern Maine. The streets around the office and jail are predominately residential with vacant lots to the east and across the street to the south. The surrounding area is relatively flat. Immediately around the building is lawn with several mature trees to the east and northwest. The three-bay building is one story tall on the south and west sides. It is two stories in height at the north and east sides due to a completely exposed basement wall. The foundation, south deck, lintels and sills are poured concrete. The exterior walls are decorative concrete blocks. The 32' x 26' building has an asphalt shingle, hip roof with a roughly centered brick chimney. The building has no interior connection between floors. Access to each is through exterior doors. The basement vault and jail cells are significant features as is the concrete construction whether poured or block. Replacement doors and windows as well as interior finishes on the first floor reduce integrity of materials, design and workmanship. Other elements retain a high level of integrity reflecting the local significance of the fireproof town office and jail building.

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Narrative Description

Site

The building is located in the center of the village of Island Falls. The area outside the small town is heavily wooded and spotted with lakes and rivers. The West Branch of the Matawamkeag River divides the village in half and is less than 1000' from the Former Town Office. To the west, Interstate 95 runs north and south through the town. The small commercial section of town is along US 2 and ME 159 south of the building. To the north around the building are a mix of one and two story residential buildings. The topography is generally level with mown lawn around the building. The building sits at the road on the south with a small lawn to the west. To the north and east the lot gently slopes down to allow the walk out basement access. Across the street to the south, there is an apartment building, vacant lot and a municipal garage. The area has the feel of a small residential community with little commercial activity. The streets around the office and jail are predominately residential with vacant lots to the east.

Exterior

The south façade of the building presents a single floor appearance. The building sits near the road with a narrow strip of grass between the road and four concrete steps up to a concrete deck. The full width deck has a single steel pipe rail at the southeast which connects to the handrail at the east side of the centered steps. The west hand rail stands alone along the west side of the steps with no railing around the west of the deck. The three-bay façade has a modern double door, a replacement window and a single door. Each opening is original as indicated by the poured concrete lintels and concrete window sill. The lintel over the double doors has 1911 impressed in the concrete and by its size suggests a larger original door. The decorative concrete block is all of a sandstone finish with the corners decorated by an ornamental wreath face and the field blocks of a sand finished, rock face. The mortar joints are a raised grapevine pattern. The transition from concrete to narrow wood eave overhang is made with a concrete egg and dart molded block. The hip roof is asphalt shingled with a narrow aluminum band in place of the lower four rows of shingles. A single flue brick chimney is visible near the roof peak.

The west side of the building has two windows. The windows are 1990 vinyl replacements in the original openings. The wall is otherwise a continuation of the same concrete block and roof previously described. The grade declines gently to the north with three feet of exposed concrete foundation showing at that corner.

The north side of the building shows almost the full two stories. The grade slightly rises at the west corner. The main floor has one window opening on this façade. As on the west the opening is original with a 1990 vinyl replacement. The basement level is decorative block on the corners but infilled with board formed poured concrete in the east half and flat concrete block on the west half. There are two square windows placed high on the east side of the

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basement level wall. These are currently boarded over, but have bars beneath as one serves each of the two jail cells within. Side walls and roof are otherwise as previously described.

The east side of the building also shows a two-story wall due to the exposed basement. The grade rises slightly to the south and shows a poured concrete retaining wall in that area supporting the south deck. The main level has two windows as described on the west side. The basement level has three bays. A replacement door is in the center of the wall in the original opening. The other two bays are to the south, an infilled door and a window. Both are original openings, the window an original two-over-one double-hung wood window and the door infilled with flat concrete block. The entire east wall is of decorative concrete block and otherwise as previously described.

Interior

The main floor is entered through either the east or west doors on the south façade and is divided into two large rooms. The east side is a single large room extending the full depth of the building. The interior trim is flat 1" x 4" painted wood. The floor is original hardwood strip flooring. The walls are of drywall and the ceiling is a fiberboard sheet product with lath strapping dividing it into 4' x 4' sections. An open doorway at the north end of the room provides access between the two rooms. The west room has a carpeted floor with drywall ceiling and walls. There is a small electrical closet centered on the west wall and a storage closet in the northwest corner of the room. The closets were added around 1990 and have six-panel wood doors. The window, door and baseboard trim in this room is a mass-produced stock trim ca. 1990.

The basement level is accessed by the east door. There are three main rooms divided by 8" poured concrete walls, one across the south and two to the north. Floors are also exposed concrete. The northeast room is a hallway inside the entry with two jail cells to the north. The cells are divided by a wing wall of 8" concrete and are therefore concrete on all sides save the south which is a steel lattice. A matching pattern steel lattice door serves each cell and each cell has a single barred window high on the north wall. The ceiling in both cells and the hallway is poured concrete.

An open doorway in the center of the building leads from the entry hall to the south room which extends across the full width of the building. There is a fireproof vault across the west end of this room. The vault has a steel door inset into an 8" poured concrete wall. The 4' x 10' interior of the vault has several simple wood shelves and is otherwise poured concrete walls and a poured concrete ceiling. The remainder of the south room has exposed concrete walls with exposed heavy wood floor framing for a ceiling. The exposed ceiling framing is oversized as if designed with slow burn mill construction in mind. A second open doorway near the center of the basement leads to the northwest room which is a single large space with exposed concrete walls and an exposed, heavy wood framed ceiling.

Changes as noted above are replacement windows on the main floor, replacement of all doors and infill of the two original openings at the east and north basement wall. These changes reduce integrity of design, materials and workmanship. These same areas of integrity are lessened by interior alterations to all main floor finishes in the west room and an added

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opening from the basement level south room into the northwest room. However, the building retains a high level of integrity for important character defining features essential to convey the significance in the area of government. The fenestration pattern remains as does the circulation pattern which includes separated main and basement levels. The most important character defining features are decorative concrete block and poured concrete construction, original jail cells, and a fireproof vault for town records. These features are intact with a high-level of integrity of design, workmanship, materials, feeling, and association. Integrity of setting and location are intact.

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A. Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B. Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C. Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D. Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A. Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes
- B. Removed from its original location
- C. A birthplace or grave
- D. A cemetery
- E. A reconstructed building, object, or structure
- F. A commemorative property
- G. Less than 50 years old or achieving significance within the past 50 years

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Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions.)

Government

Period of Significance

1911 - 1968

Significant Dates

N/A

Significant Person (Complete only if Criterion B is marked above.)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Peters, Mark A., (1872 - ca.1936-39) builder
unknown architect

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Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph

(Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.) (Refer to photographs)

The former Town Office and Jail are located in Island Falls, Aroostook County, Maine. The small town is located in heavily wooded northern Maine in a relatively sparsely settled area. The building is locally significant under Criteria A for its association with town government. The building represents the small community's response to the loss by fire of the previous town office and many associated town records. The decorative concrete block and poured concrete construction ensured preservation of town records, and provided secure holding cells for local law enforcement. The cells were originally used by local constables and later as holding cells before transferring offenders to the county jail in Houlton. The building was also used from its construction into the 1930s to house the town's firefighting equipment. The period of significance is from construction in 1911 to 1968. The town office was active in the building until 1978, and the jail cells were used periodically for temporary holding into the 1960s. The building was the center of town government, provided safe record keeping and was used by law enforcement throughout the period of significance. The end date of significance reflects fifty years before the present date and the last approximate use of the jail cells.

Narrative Statement of Significance (Provide at least **one** paragraph for each area of significance.)

Island Falls incorporated as a town in 1872 with a population of 183.¹ The small farming community grew slowly until the arrival of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad in 1893.² With the arrival of the railroad, industry developed along the Mattawamkeag Stream in the center of town. A tannery and sawmills along with the railroad helped the population grow from 223 in 1890 to 1,063 in 1900. The population was 1,686 in 1910 around the time of the construction of the town office. The population was at a high point in the 1910 and 1920 census at 1,680 each year. The tannery and lumbering operations declined in the mid-1920s and the population declined steadily from that period to the current 837.

Early in town history, the post office and town records were housed together in a private house and later moved to a room in a commercial building.³ From the early private home, the town office was moved to the center of the village and in 1910 was housed in the Grant Building. On February 10, 1910 a fire broke out in the Brant Building destroying it, the Grant Building and another neighboring building. The loss was valued at \$22,000 in merchandise and other property. The post office had a safe in the building which contained both postal and town records; however, the contents of the safe were also a partial loss in addition to the previously

¹ Sawyer, Nina G. *A history of Island Falls, Maine, from its settlement in 1843 to its centennial year 1972, and a collection of historical sketches*. 1972, page 26.

² Sawyer, page 33.

³ Harmon, Harriett Sewall. 1972. *Recollections of William Wingate Sewall (1845-1930) of Island Falls, Maine*: dedicated to the people of Island Falls in observance of centennial year 1972. [Island Falls, Me.?]: [publisher not identified], page 75.

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mentioned amount.⁴ Town reports indicate that for a year after the fire, space for the town office was again rented in a village building. Effective July 1, 1911, the town issued \$2,000.00 in bonds for the construction of a town building. The itemization in town records shows the lot was purchased and local contractor Mark A. Peters was awarded the building contract. Other line items in the report include beds for the lockup, grading and the purchase of a Remington and Sherman Company vault door.⁵ In addition to the office and lockup, the building was also used for storage of town property including some fire equipment, as noted in *A History of Island Falls* by Nina Sawyer.⁶

No plans were located for the building's design, nor referenced in town or newspaper records. There was also no record of the development process that led to the concrete construction, but it seems clear the loss of town and postal records in the 1910 fire was a central point in the development of the new building's design. The extensive use of poured concrete, concrete block and a steel vault door suggest a desire for a more fire-resistant building. While concrete buildings were not uncommon in the United States at this time, such buildings were unusual in the small towns of northern Maine where wood was plentiful and used almost exclusively.⁷ While the 1910 fire in Island Falls destroyed only three commercial buildings, it had a direct impact on the design of the new town office. No ordinances were put in place to require brick, concrete or other fire-resistant building materials as often occurred in large cities after a major fire, but the town did plan a more secure space for town records.

The *1910 Sears, Roebuck Home Builder's Catalog* outlined the merits of Concrete construction:

Concrete products are being used everywhere for building homes, churches, and other buildings. This is no longer an experiment, concrete having been proven to be one of the most desirable and durable materials for building purposes. Concrete blocks are much cheaper than stone or brick, and as they can be made up in various designs of faces, buildings more attractive in appearance can be built from concrete blocks than from any other material. It produces better fire protection, requires no repair expense or painting, thus making it very economical.

In addition to fire resistance the claim of no future repair or painting must have appealed to the town. The catalog was selling block making machines as opposed to the blocks themselves.⁸ There is no record whether the block was made on site or shipped in; however, Bangor, 90 miles south and the nearest large city, was only advertising one seller of concrete block machines in 1910.⁹ It was not until 1915 that Bangor had a manufacturer of concrete block and

⁴ *Aroostook Times*, Houlton, Me: Times Pub. Co. Vol. 50, No. 7.

⁵ *Annual Report of the Selectmen, Treasurer and Other Officers of the Town of Island Falls for year ending March 1912*. Island Falls, Me: The Town.

⁶ Sawyer, page 55.

⁷ Per MHPC survey files, of 4340 properties surveyed in Aroostook County, Maine, only 93 were identified as concrete structures. Excluding bridges and dams, of those 93 only 12 were built in 1920 or earlier.

⁸ Sears, Roebuck and Co. *Sears, Roebuck Home Builder's Catalog: The Complete Illustrated 1910 Edition*. Dover Publications, Inc., New York, 1990 reprint of unabridged 1910 edition., page 152.

⁹ *Maine Register, State Year-Book and Legislative Manual*. Grenville M. Donham publisher, 1910.

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other concrete products.¹⁰ The Bangor & Aroostook Railroad running through Island Falls could have delivered either blocks manufactured from farther away or a block making machine and cement.

Block making machines were available through Sears and other mail order catalogs, and the three patterns used in the building are represented in the Sears Catalogs for use with their block making machines. The builder used site built forms and site mixed concrete for the solid walls below grade and those surrounding the vault and cells. The decorative appearance of the blocks was certainly valued, but where there is no exterior visibility, the builder used solid poured walls. The solid walls are used for the vault and cells interior walls presumably for extra strength and fireproofing.

The choice of concrete block and thick poured concrete foundation walls also provided a secure jail. The earliest mention of a lock-up in town is in 1894. It was located half a block east of the 1911 jail. The 1894 lock-up was reported to cost \$100.00. Given the cost and the timeframe of the 1894 lock-up, it can be assumed to be less substantial than the later jail. In 1894, the railroad had just arrived in town and the population had not yet quadrupled. All reports indicate the jail even after 1911 was generally a temporary holding cell. No major crimes were identified. It appears use was sporadic for a few hours or overnight and often prior to transferring the suspect of a more serious offence to the Aroostook County Jail in Houlton about 27 miles northeast. Limited use of the lockup was still reported as late as the 1960s.¹¹

As indicated on Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps of 1912, 1919 and 1929 the building had a third use as a Fire Department.¹² It is of note that local records including town reports of 1911 and 1912 identify this building as town office and jail with no mention of fire department.¹³ It is unclear why but "storage" of firefighting equipment as the town identified this use appears secondary to use as office and jail. Sanborn Maps on the other hand identify the building as fire department only. As stated by those maps, a chemical fire engine, hose and ladders were stored here. Other hose houses were located around town and other pumpers were privately owned by the two mills. The use as a fire department is also significant as the governmental response to public safety and the 1910 fire. This was the first building constructed by the town to house firefighting equipment. Previous equipment was either owned by the local industrial complexes or if town owned stored in various rented privately-owned buildings. The fire department was first organized on a volunteer basis in 1911 and remained in this building until the 1930s. The next purpose-built fire station was constructed in 1957.¹⁴

In 1939 the Katahdin Public Library was formed in Island Falls and housed in the east half of the first floor of the town office building. This use continued until 1968 when the library moved

¹⁰ "Wet Cast Building Unit Factory in Bangor: Making Block Right Instead of the Easiest Way Builds Business for Maine Manufacturer." *Concrete*, Vol II, No. 5, December 1917. Concrete-Cement Age Publishing Co.: Detroit. Pages 174-176.

¹¹ Per oral comments by Rebecca Drew who remembered her father a Maine State Trooper using the temporary lock-up when convenient.

¹² Sanborn Map Company. 1912, 1919, 1929. *Island Falls, Aroostook County, Maine*. New York: The Company.

¹³ *Annual Report of the Selectmen, Treasurer and Other Officers of the Town of Island Falls*. For years ending March 1910 to 1925. Island Falls, Me: The Town.

¹⁴ Sawyer, page 58.

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to a larger space in town.¹⁵ Changes after the fire station left allowed continued use as a town office and made space for the library. A library had existed in town prior to organization as the Katahdin Public Library. The use of this building to house the local library is of note as it is another public use that was at least partially supported by local government funding, but there are no library specific character defining features in the building at present. The library made use of existing space before moving to larger space when that became available and is now in its own building.

The town's investment in its first municipal building was driven by the loss of town records in the 1910 fire. Town government made the most of the public funds by creating a durable, secure, fire resistant building capable of serving multiple municipal functions. The small size proved adequate to house fire, police and town office functions for many years. The use of concrete provided a non-combustible material to protect town records and provide a secure lockup. With fire equipment in the building, the town stopped renting space for it, provided a central location for the equipment and gave extra safeguard to the town records housed in the building. After a new fire department was built and the library moved into the building, it continued as a center of municipal government. The building represents a small local government's response to the loss of many town records and its consolidation of governmental functions into a single decorative and durable multipurpose building.

The town invested heavily in the office and jail for the long term. With its use as the town office for over seventy-five years and its long service period the investment seems warranted. *The Aroostook Times* of February 18, 1910 reported that at least \$500.00 was lost due to postal and town records with the hope that all material in the safe was salvageable. It was later reported all the safe's contents were not salvageable which would have driven the loss even higher. Given the value of the fire loss, a new building with a price slightly more than \$2,000.00 seems a safe hedge against future fires while at the same time providing flexible municipal space. The length of use, mixed uses, and flexibility suggests a wise investment and sound planning by town government which is reflected in the durable building.

Developmental history/additional historic context information (If appropriate.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography (Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form.)

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¹⁵ Sawyer, page 65.

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Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____
- recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository: _____

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Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned): 212-0022

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of Property Less than one acre

Use either the UTM system or latitude/longitude coordinates

Latitude/Longitude Coordinates

Datum if other than WGS84:
(enter coordinates to 6 decimal places)

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| 1. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 2. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 3. Latitude: | Longitude: |
| 4. Latitude: | Longitude: |

Or

UTM References

Datum (indicated on USGS map):

NAD 1927 or NAD 1983

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| 2. Zone: | Easting: | Northing: |
| 3. Zone: | Easting: | Northing: |
| 4. Zone: | Easting: | Northing: |

Verbal Boundary Description (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

The nominated property is located on the parcel described by the Town of Island Falls tax map 2 lot 111. (See Figure 3.)

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Boundary Justification (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The boundary described above represents the current and historic extent of the Former Island Falls Town Office and Jail property.

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Maps:** A **USGS map** or equivalent (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to this map.
- **Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO, TPO, or FPO for any additional items.)

Photographs

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

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Photo Log

Name of Property: Town Office and Jail

City or Vicinity: Island Falls

County: Aroostook State: Maine

Photographer: Michael Goebel-Bain

Date Photographed: November 5, 2018

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera:

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South and west elevations, facing north.
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North and east elevations, facing south.
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Interior of the main floor east room, facing north.
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Interior of the main floor west room, facing north.
- 5 of 6 ME_ AROOSTOOK COUNTY_ FORMER TOWN OFFICE AND JAIL_005.tif
Interior of the basement with the vault center and opening to the northwest room at left, facing west.
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Interior of the basement looking into one of two jail cells, facing north.

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (16 U.S.C.460 et seq.).

Estimated Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 100 hours per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form to the Office of Planning and Performance Management, U.S. Dept. of the Interior, 1849 C. Street, NW, Washington, DC.

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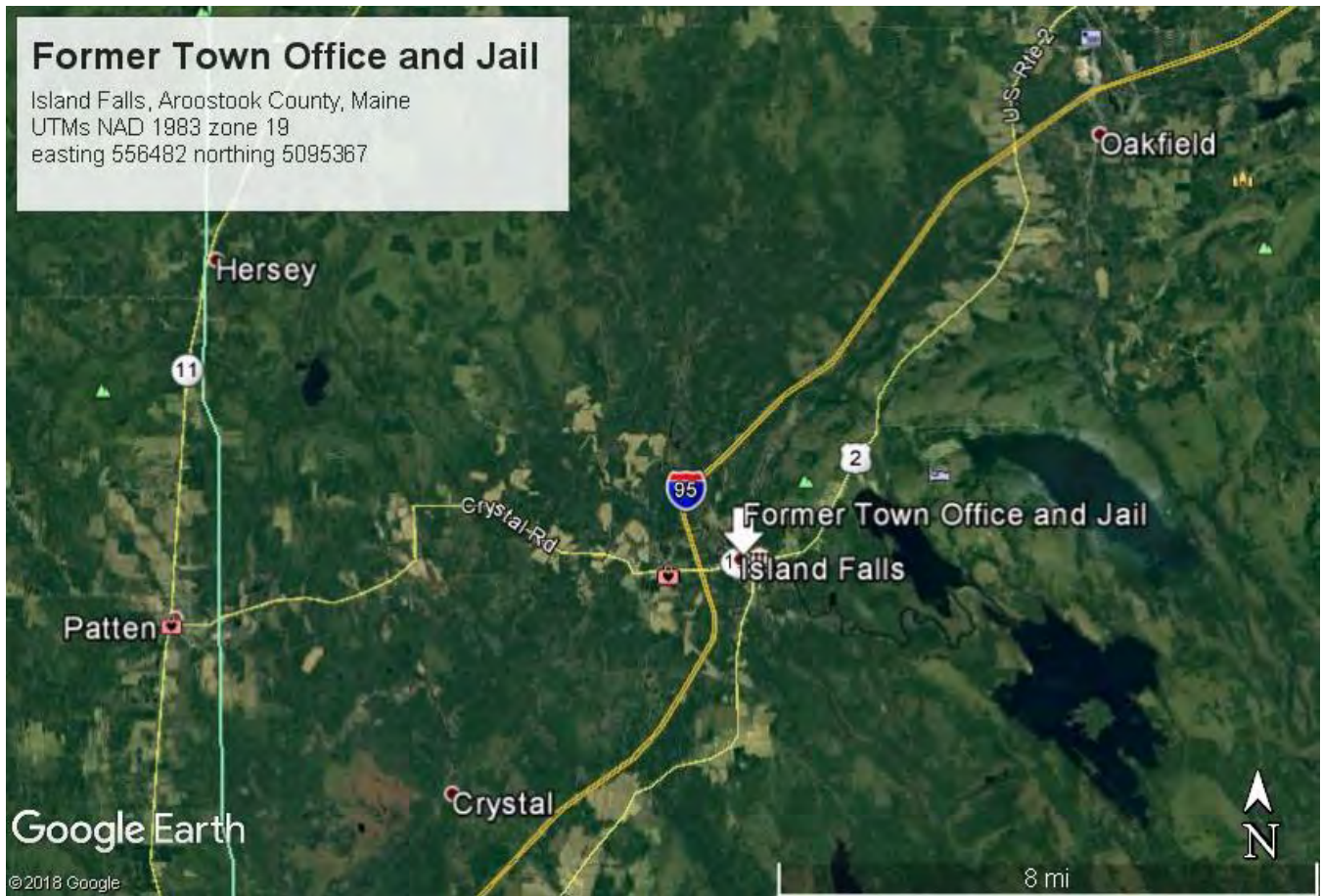


Figure 1 Wide area location map

Former Town Office and Jail

Aroostook County, Maine

Name of Property

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Figure 2 Narrow area location map

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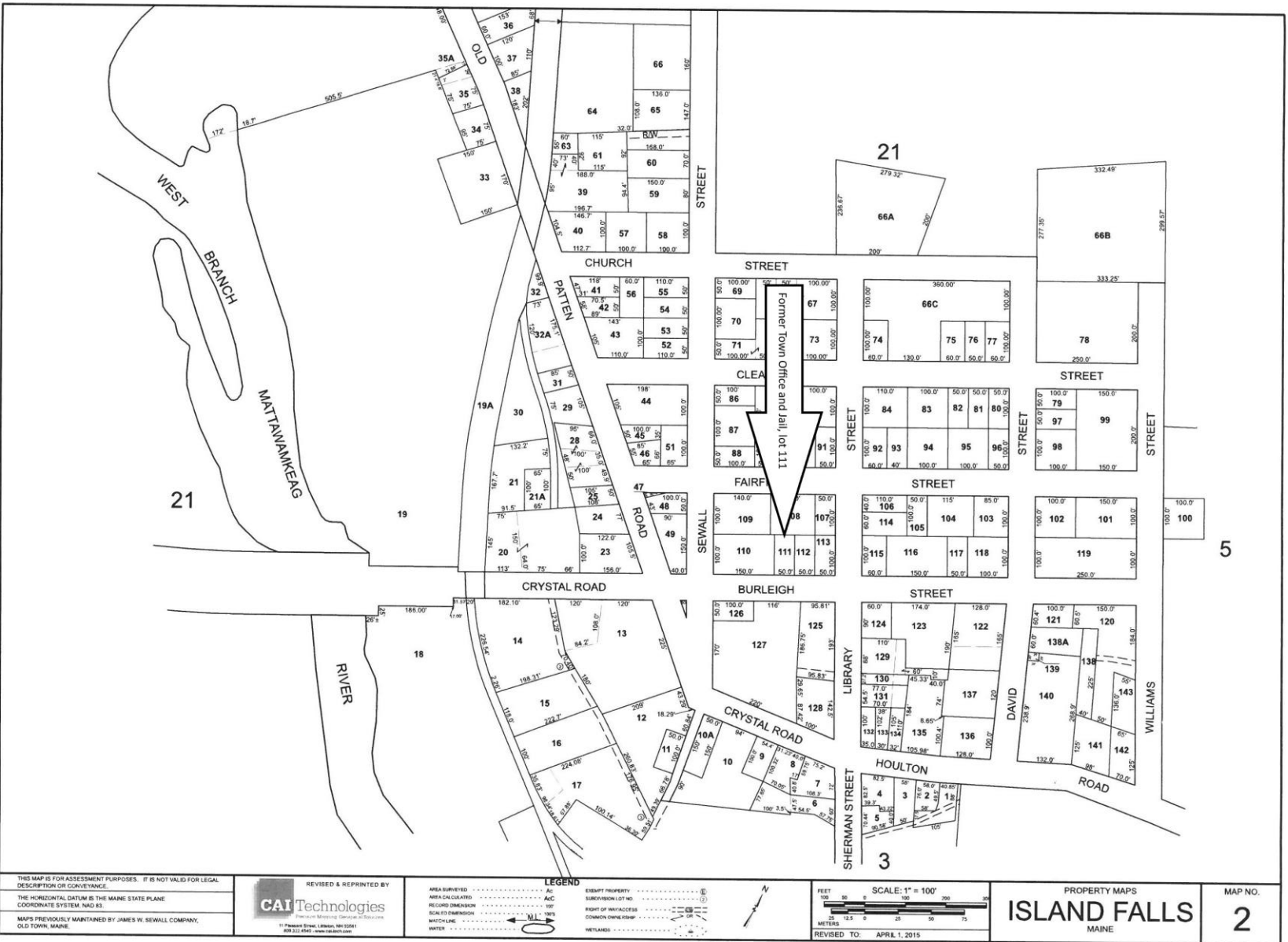


Figure 3 Island Falls tax map 2











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Requested Action:

Property Name:

Multiple Name:

State & County:

Date Received: 2/22/2019 Date of Pending List: 3/7/2019 Date of 16th Day: 3/22/2019 Date of 45th Day: 4/8/2019 Date of Weekly List:

Reference number:

Nominator:

Reason For Review:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal | <input type="checkbox"/> PDIL | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Text/Data Issue |
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Accept Return Reject 4/4/2019 Date

Abstract/Summary Comments:

Recommendation/ Criteria

Reviewer Roger Reed  Discipline Historian

Telephone (202)354-2278 Date _____

DOCUMENTATION: see attached comments : No see attached SLR : No

If a nomination is returned to the nomination authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the National Park Service.



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Enclosed please find three National Register nominations for properties in the State of Maine.

Singhi Double House, Knox County, Maine – submitted on disk. The enclosed disk contains the true and correct copy of the nomination for Singhi Double House to the National Register of Historic Places. A second CD contains the digital images. A hard copy signature page is included.

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If you have any questions relating to these nominations, please do not hesitate to contact me at (207) 287-5435.

Sincerely,

Michael Goebel-Bain
Architectural Historian

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