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National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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Name

historic Greenville State Bank

and/or common N/A

2, Location

street & number 252 Municipal Drive

Greenville

state

city, town Madison

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Wisconsin 3, Classification

Category	Ownership	Status
district	public	occupie
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Outagamie

congressional district Eighth

- museum __ park
 - private residence

not for publication

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- _ religious
- _ scientific
 - _ transportation
- _ other:

state Wisconsin 53706

Owner of Property 4.

Steve Hazlehurst name

1523 S. Perkins St. street & number

city, town Appleton		vicinity of		state	Wisconsin	54911
5. Loc	cation of	Legal Des	cription			
courthouse, r	egistry of deeds, etc.	Outagamie Cour	nty Courthouse			
street & numb	er	410 S. Walnut	St.			
city, town		Appleton		state	Wisconsin	54911
6. Re	presentat	ion in Exi	sting Surveys	5		
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date 1982			federal	_X_ sta	ate count	y local
depository for	survey records St	ate Historical	Society of Wisconsin,	816 S	tate St.	

7. Description

Condition

Check one _X_ unaltered _ excellent deteriorated _X_ good ruins altered fair unexposed

Check one X original site moved date

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Greenville State Bank building is a small (approximately twenty-by-thrity-foot) onestory building, with red brick-veneer facade and sand-lime brick sides and rear. The front (east) facade consists of a single glazed door with transom to the left (south) and large three-part show window with transoms to the right (north), recessed within compound brick courses to the sides and overhead. The building name has been nearly obliterated from the long inscription stone over the shop front. A low concrete foundation supports the building, and a matching coping outlines the straight roofline in front and graduated roofline at the sides. The door is served by a short run of concrete stairs. Each side wall is pierced by two double-hung windows with transoms.

The plan and composition of the interior appear to be original, although few of the bank appointments remain. The single floor is divided into two spaces: the banking area to the front (east) and the office/storage area to the rear (west); the dividing wall between the rooms has a single doorway and a simple clerestory with two metal The steel bank vault is in place in the northwest grills. Walls are painted plaster. corner of the banking room.

The Greenville State Bank sits on Municipal Drive, the single commercial axis of the village. The surrounding fabric is largely residential in nature, with an occasional recently-constructed or "renewed" commercial building. The bank site includes a paved front walk and side drive, but is otherwise undistinguished. The future of the building is in jeopardy given that the building may be demolished to provide access to the farmland to the rear.

8. Significance

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Specific dates 1919¹ (1919–1975; Builder/Architect unknown

period of significance) Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

From the time of its construction in 1919 through the 1970s, the Greenville State Bank has been a pivotal building in the rural community of Greenville in Outagamie County, Wisconsin. The bank opened in September of 1919,¹ and served as the sole community banking house until 1933² when it closed, along with hundreds of others throughout the state and nation, for reorganization or liquidation. From 1940 through 1961, the building served as the business office of the local farmers' cooperative.³ In 1961,⁴ the bank building was sold to a local farmer,⁴ who operated the U.S. Post Office there until a new facility was constructed in 1975. Following its resale, it has been used for storage.

In recent decades, most of Greenville's older commercial buildings have been lost, either by fire or demolition for newer enterprises; only the Greenville State Bank building and a nearby railroad hotel have survived. As part of the nuclear turn-ofthe century village (and now the focus of suburban residential growth) the bank is the only identifiable commercial building in its rural environs. Several of the first officers of the bank were descendants of the original settlers of the township, and were important men in business and agriculture.⁵

¹(Wisconsin) <u>Banking Commissioners Report on State Banks</u>, 1920, p. 113.

²(Wisconsin) <u>Banking Commissioners Report of State Banks</u>, 1933, p. 175.

³Greenville Cooperative Gas Co., "Fifty Years of Progress 1931-1981."

⁴Tract Index, Outagamie County Courthouse.

⁵Thomas H. Ryan, editor, History of Outagamie County, [1915?]

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Wisconsin State Banking Commissioners Reports, 1920 and 1933.

10. Geographical Data

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