

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC \*\*  
Town Hall  
AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER  
Bedford Street  
CITY, TOWN  
Lakeville  
STATE  
Massachusetts

--- NOT FOR PUBLICATION  
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
12 10

--- VICINITY OF

CODE  
025

COUNTY  
Plymouth

CODE  
023

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	<b>PUBLIC ACQUISITION</b>	<b>ACCESSIBLE</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER: meeting hall

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME  
Town of Lakeville  
STREET & NUMBER  
Town Office Building, Bedford Street  
CITY, TOWN  
Lakeville  
STATE  
Massachusetts  
VICINITY OF  
02346

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.  
Plymouth County Registry of Deeds  
STREET & NUMBER  
Russell Street  
CITY, TOWN  
Plymouth  
STATE  
Massachusetts

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE  
Inventory of the Historic Assets of the Commonwealth  
DATE  
1967  
DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS  
Massachusetts Historical Commission  
CITY, TOWN  
Boston  
STATE  
Massachusetts

--- FEDERAL  STATE --- COUNTY --- LOCAL

# 7 DESCRIPTION

## CONDITION

EXCELLENT  
 GOOD  
 FAIR

DETERIORATED  
 RUINS  
 UNEXPOSED

## CHECK ONE

UNALTERED  
 ALTERED

## CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE  
 MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Lakeville Town Hall, built in 1856, is located on the northwest corner of Bedford and Precincts Streets. It is a Greek Revival temple form building of wood frame construction, 30 feet wide and 40 feet long. Its traditional white clapboard walls are framed by pilaster design cornerboards that form the base for the returns of the gable. A simple entablature extends from the cornerboards along the sides of the building. Its facade is symmetrical, with two windows located directly over the two doors. The six-over-six windows and the two doors are crowned with cornice caps. The original notice board hangs between the doors.

The interior of the town hall consists of one large meeting room and an enclosed room directly above the front doorways. The enclosed room housed the original town offices. Minor alterations, including installation of a false ceiling, have been made in the meeting room.

# 8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES                      1856                      BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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# 9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Records - Town of Lakeville, Ma., Town Office Building, Lakeville, MA

The History of the Town of Lakeville, Massachusetts, Gladys D. Vigers, 1954, Middleboro, MA

# 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .72 Acres

UTM REFERENCES

A 19 338 0610 4634280  
 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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spoke with  
 (Liz Hengen)  
 10.12.76  
 LEBOVICH

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 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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 ZONE EASTING NORTHING

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

# 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Andrea M. Gilmore, Diane V. Duprey July 1976  
 ORGANIZATION DATE

Massachusetts Historical Commission 617-727-8470  
 STREET & NUMBER TELEPHONE

294 Washington Street  
 CITY OR TOWN STATE

Boston Massachusetts 02108

# 12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL    STATE    LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

*Elizabeth Reed Amador*

TITLE Executive Director Massachusetts Historical Commission

DATE 7/12/76

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

Acting DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

DATE 10/22/76

ATTEST: *[Signature]*  
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE 10-20-76

Property Town Hall

State Mass.

Working Number 7.16.76.3762

Plymouth

**TECHNICAL**

Photos 1  
Maps 1

garage missing B. Lebovich

**CONTROL**

OK- 7.20.76

**HISTORIAN**

accept  
B. Grovener  
7/27/76

**ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN**

ACCEPT

LEBOVICH  
10.12.76

MINIMAL #8, #7

NO STATEMENT OF ARCH. SIGN.,  
NOT ADEQUATE STATEMENT OF POLITICAL SIGN.

(ELIGIBLE UNDER ARCH.)

CALLED 10.12.76

**ARCHEOLOGIST**

**OTHER**

**HAER**

Inventory \_\_\_\_\_  
Review \_\_\_\_\_

**REVIEW UNIT CHIEF**

Accept  
Cole  
10.15.76

**BRANCH CHIEF**

Hangs  
10.18.76

**KEEPER**

Wm  
10/20/76

National Register Write-up \_\_\_\_\_ Send-back \_\_\_\_\_  
Federal Register Entry 12-7-76 Re-submit \_\_\_\_\_

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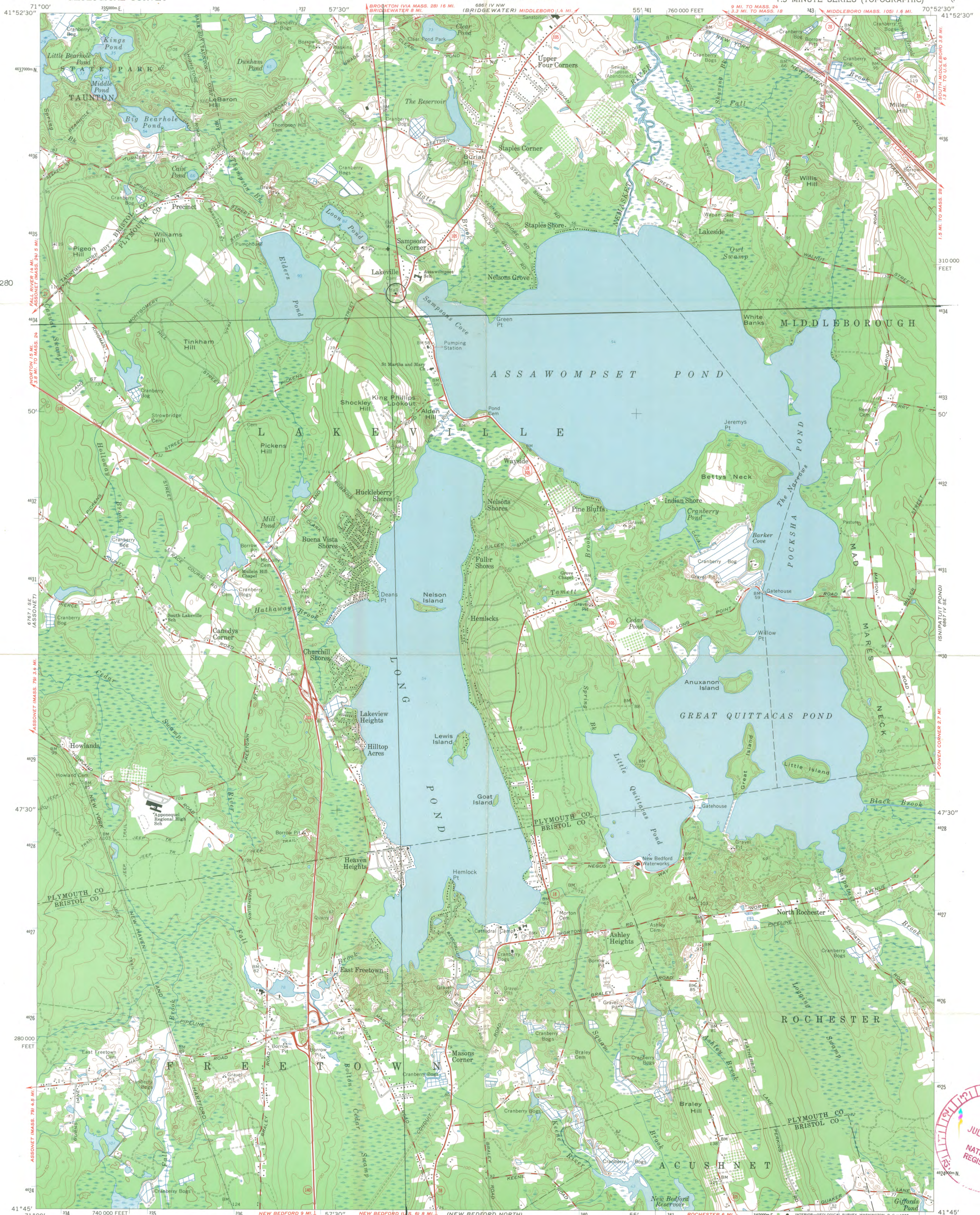


Town Hall  
Lakeville, MA *Plymouth Co.*  
Diane Duprey, Photographer  
1975

Lakeville Historical Commission  
Bedford Street, Lakeville, MA 02346  
Facade of the town hall, facing Bedford  
Street  
Photo #1

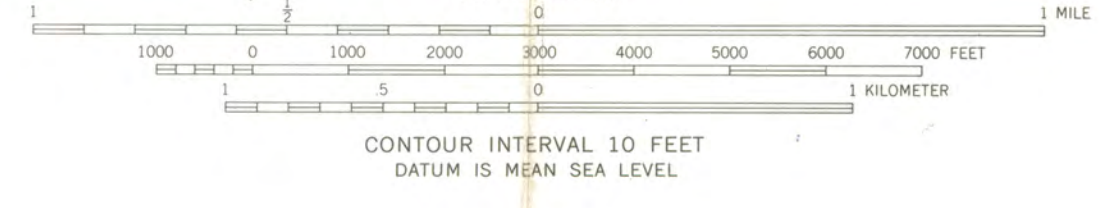
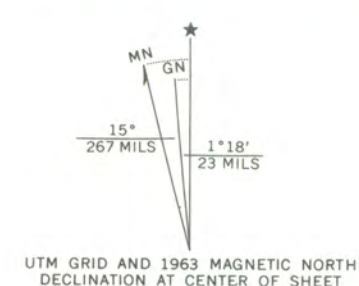
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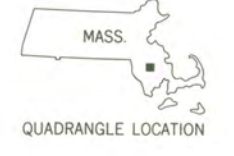
Town Hall  
Lakeville, MA  
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Control by USGS, USC&GS, and Massachusetts Geodetic Survey  
Planimetry by photogrammetric methods from aerial photographs  
Topography by planimeter surveys 1937. Revised 1963  
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum  
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mainland zone  
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,  
zone 19, shown in blue



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

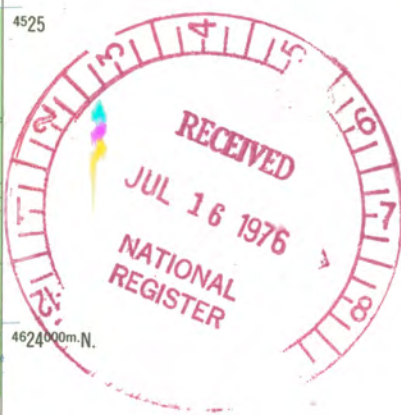
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Medium-duty	Unimproved dirt
State Route	



ASSAWOMPSET POND, MASS.  
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A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

1963  
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\$1.19



PAUL GUZZI

Secretary of the  
Commonwealth

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## Office of the Secretary

### Massachusetts Historical Commission

294 Washington Street Boston, Massachusetts 02108

(617) 727-8470

July 12, 1976

Mr. Charles Herrington  
Registrar  
National Register  
National Park Service  
US Department of the Interior  
Washington, D.C. 20240



Dear Charles:

Enclosed please find four nominations to the National Register for the following properties:

1. Lakeville, Town Hall
2. Lawrence, Grace Episcopal Church
3. Wareham, Tremont Nail Factory District
4. Woburn, Woburn Public Library

These properties have been voted eligible by the Massachusetts Historical Commission (State Review Board) and have been signed by the State Historic Preservation Officer, Elizabeth Reed Amadon.

Sincerely yours,

Patricia L. Weslowski  
Survey Director

PLW/mw  
Enclosures

ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE MASSACHUSETTS

Date Entered **OCT 22 1976**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Tremont Mill Factory District	Wareham Plymouth County
South Lancaster Engine House	South Lancaster Worcester County
Town Hall	Lakeville Plymouth County

Also Notified

Hon. Edward M. Kennedy  
Hon. Edward W. Brooke  
Hon. Gerry E. Studds  
Hon. Robert F. Drinan, Jr.  
Hon. Margaret M. Heckler  
Regional Director, North  
Atlantic Region

State Historic Preservation Officer  
Mrs. Elizabeth R. Amadon  
Executive Director  
Massachusetts Historical Commission  
294 Washington Street  
Boston, Massachusetts 02108

TAUNTON DAILY  
GAZETTE  
TAUNTON, MA.  
D. 14,991

Mass.  
History

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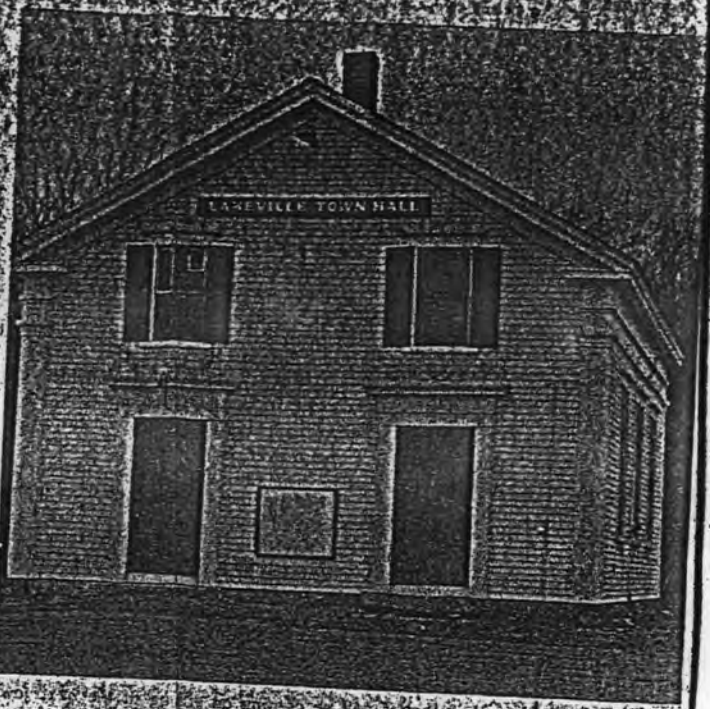
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MIDDLEBORO GAZETTE  
MIDDLEBOROUGH, MA.  
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Elizabeth Reed Amadon, Executive Secretary of the Massachusetts

Historical Commission, has high praise for the Lakeville Historical Commission which paved the way for admission to the National Register of the original Town Hall.

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TAUNTON, MA.  
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# NR Data Sheet

DATE: 7/27/76  
Reviewer: INITIALS: 86  
DOE OCT 22 1976  
NR

NAME AS IT APPEARS IN FEDERAL REGISTER: Town Hall

OTHER NAMES:

## LOCATION:

STREET & NUMBER Bedford Street

CITY, TOWN Lakeville

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 12th

STATE Massachusetts

VICINITY OF 025

COUNTY Plymouth

code 023

OWNER OF PROPERTY: (Circle) PRIVATE STATE LOCAL GOV'T MUNICIPAL COUNTY OTHER

ADMINISTRATOR (underline)

FEDERAL (AGENCY NAME):

NPS REGION: (CIRCLE) N. ATLANTIC MID ATLANTIC SOUTHEAST MIDWEST

SOUTHWEST ROCKY MOUNTAIN WEST PACIFIC NORTHWEST

## FEATURES:

INTERIOR: Substantially intact-1, unknown-4, not applicable-7  
EXTERIOR: Substantially intact-2, unknown-5, not applicable-8  
ENVIRONS: Substantially intact-3, unknown-6, Not applicable-9

-Interior, exterior, environs not intact-0

CONDITION - EXCELLENT, GOOD, FAIR, DETERIORATED, RUINS, UNEXPOSED, Unexcavated, UNALTERED, ALTERED, Reconstructed, Excavated, ORIGINAL SITE, MOVED, Unknown

ACCESS - Yes-restricted, Yes-unrestricted, No access, Unknown

historic district? YES NO

WITHIN NATIONAL REGISTER HISTORIC DISTRICT? YES NO

WITHIN NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK? YES NO

ADAPTIVE USE: YES NO Saved? YES NO

FUNCTION(S): (use vocabulary words)

then- town meeting; library; office  
now- ~~meeting~~ meeting place

## SIGNIFICANCE:

- ARCHAEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC, ARCHAEOLOGY-HISTORIC, AGRICULTURE, ARCHITECTURE, ART, COMMERCE, COMMUNICATIONS, CONSERVATION, ECONOMICS, EDUCATION, ENGINEERING, EXPLORATION, INDUSTRY, INVENTION, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, LAW/Gov't/politics, LITERATURE, MILITARY, MUSIC, PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS-GOVERNMENT, RELIGION, SCIENCE, SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN, TRANSPORTATION, OTHER (SPECIFY), entertainment, health, recreation, settlement, socio/cultural, urban & commun planning

## Claims

"first" YES NO "oldest" YES NO "only" YES NO

town's first library

ARCHITECTURAL STYLE: GREEK REVIVAL

architect/m.builder:

engineer:

landscape/garden designer:

artist/artisan:

interior decorator:

builder/contractor:

ETHNIC GROUP:

NAMES:

personal

(label role  
&  
appropriate date)

events

institutional

DATES:

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (Specific date or 1/4 of century): 1856

DATE(S) OF "MAJOR" ALTERATIONS: unknown

HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT DATE(S): 1856 - 1952

SOURCE:

(OF NOMINATION)

PRIVATE

STATE

LOCAL GOV'T

MUNICIPAL

COUNTY

OTHER

FEDERAL AGENCY:

ACREAGE:

(to nearest tenth of an acre) ?

COMMENTS: (include architectural information here)

*describing: frame, clapboard siding, <sup>1 1/2</sup> stories, rectangular, gabled roof,  
2 front entrances, 2 story front windows, cornerboards; minor alterations.  
Greek Revival Revival.*

SIGNIFICANCE: (maximum two sentences)

*The Lakeville Town Hall was the site of the annual town meetings  
from 1856 to 1952; and has housed selectman's offices and the town's first  
library; various local organizations currently used the building as a meeting hall;  
and the town plans to restore it for use as a community center. by various  
local organizations, town plans to restore for use as community center.*