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National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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1. Name

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historic Ros	seau County Courthou	se	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-*
and/or common	N/A			
2. Loca	ation			•
street & number	216 Center Street	West	NД	A_not for publication
city, town	Roseau	N/Avicinity of		
state	Minnesota code	22 county	Roseau	code 135
3. Clas	sification			
Category district _X building(s) structure site object	Ownership _Xpublic private both Public Acquisition N/A in process being considered	Status X occupied unoccupied work in progress Accessible yes: restricted X yes: unrestricted no	Present Use agriculture commercial educational entertainment X government industrial military	museum park private residence religious scientific transportation other:
4. Own	er of Proper	tv		
name	Roseau County			
street & number	Roseau County Court	house	·····	
city, town	Roseau	$\underline{N/A}$ vicinity of	state	Minnesota
5. Loca	ation of Lega	I Descriptio	n	
courthouse, regi	stry of deeds, etc. Rose	au County Courthous	e	
street & number	216 Center Str	eet West		
city, town	Roseau		state	Minnesota
6. Rep	resentation	n Existing S	burveys	
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date 1980			federalX state	county local
depository for su	urvey records Minnesota	Historical Society-	-Ft.Snelling Histor	y Center
city, town St	. Paul		state	Minnesota 55111

7. Description

Condition excellent _X_ good	deteriorated	Check one unaltered _X_ altered	Check one X original site moved date .	N/A
fair				

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Roseau County Courthouse is located on Center Street on the west side of the city of Roseau. The two-story rectangular brick building is capped by a simple hipped roof. Windows are 1/1 double hung sash. On the front facade, windows are grouped in pairs and the five bays are separated by simple two-story brick pilasters capped by Ionic capitals. The single windows on the side facades are set in two-story recessed vertical panels. The only major exterior alteration to the building has been the modification of the original arched recessed doorway by the addition of a one-story entrance section in 1968.

8. Significance

invention other (specify)		Areas of Significance—C archeology-prehistoric archeology-historic agriculture architecture art commerce communications		Iandscape architecture Iaw Iiterature military music philosophy X politics/government	e religion science sculpture social/ humanitarian theater transportation other (specify)
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Specific dates 1913

Builder/Architect Lignell and Loebeck, Duluth

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Hugh Fawcett, Duluth, builder

The Roseau County Courthouse is significant for its association with the development of county government. The county was established in 1894, with the county seat located at Roseau in 1895. In 1913 the county voters authorized the construction of a new building to provide adequate space for the then inadequate county facilities. Plans for the building were submitted by the Bemidji firm of Thomas Johnson and the Duluth firm of Lignell and Loebeck; the award went to the Duluth firm. Completed in 1914, the modest courthouse building has continued to provide space for county offices through the present day.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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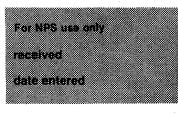
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