

HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT

Strafford Rockingham Regional Council

1 Water Street, Exeter, New Hampshire

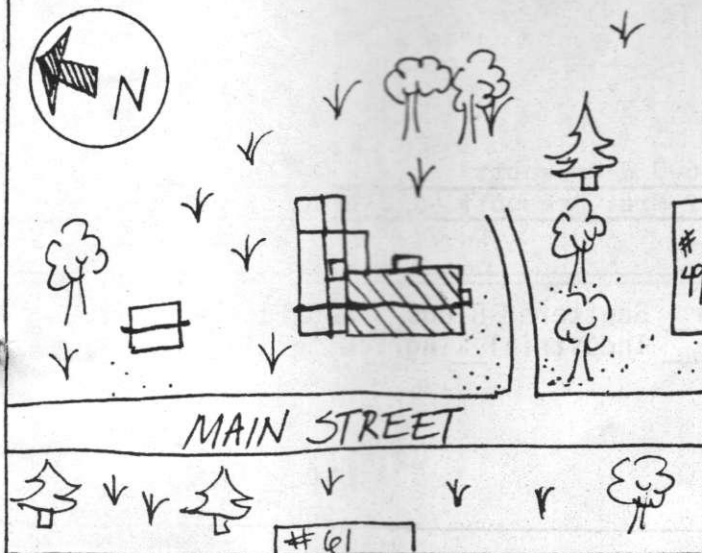
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TOWN: Kingston	COUNTY: Rockingham	UTM: Z 19 /E 332600 /N 4756075
SURVEY NUMBER: 50*		USGS QUAD: Kingston Quad 7.5' series
COMMON NAME: Saunders House		FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Dwelling
HISTORIC NAME: Prescott House		PRESENT USE: Residential
LOCATION: E side of Main Street, .33 miles N of intersection of Main & Depot.		ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown
OWNER: Peter Saunders		CONDITION: Exc. <u>Good</u> Fair <u>X</u> Poor Ruins
ADDRESS: 187 Main Street Kingston, NH		INTEGRITY: Original Site <u>X</u> Moved (When:)
MAP & PARCEL #: R-34/72		Major alterations & date: Two houses put together after 1892
DATE: c. 1850		LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE: Natl State Local <u>X</u>
SOURCE: Inspection		
STYLE: Vernacular		

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System

- FOUNDATION: Stone Brick X Concrete Concrete Block
- WALL STRUCTURE: Wood Frame Post & Beam X Ballon Frame Other
Load Bearing Masonry Stone Brick Concrete Block Other
Metal Iron Steel Other
- WALL COVERING: Clapboard X Wood Shingle Board & Batten Shiplap Aluminum
Novelty Stucco Stone Brick Sheet Metal Asphalt Shingles Vinyl
Asphalt Sheeting Composite Board Other
- ROOF SHEATHING: Wood Shingle Asphalt Shingle X Standing Seam Tim Slate
Pressed Metal Sheet Metal Rolled Asphalt Other
- ENGINEERING STRUCTURE:
- OTHER:
of Stories 2 # of Bays 5x2 Approx. Dimensions 20' x 15'
Roof Style: Gable X Hip Gambrel Flat Shed Mansard Jerkinhead
Monitor Sawtooth Other
Appendages: Porches 1 Towers Dormers Bay Windows Ells Chimneys 3
Wings Cupolas Sheds 1 Garage Other
Entry Location: Center Sidehall Other offset

MAP (Indicate North in circle):



PHOTO



Description of View: Front-west
Side-south

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ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The Saunders House is a simple 2-story vernacular structure. The offset entry has a four-panel door with four lights and is flanked by fluted pilasters rising to an entablature. The first-story windows are nine-over-six and those on the second story have six-over-six sash. The low-pitched roof has a large offset chimney and the roofing has close raking and lateral eaves with slight gable-end returns. The structure rests on a brick foundation.

A 2-story, gable-roofed wing extends to the north. It has the same window and cornice treatment as the main block and rests on a brick foundation.

An enclosed, shed-roofed porch extends to the southeast and an attached 1-story shed is located to the east.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: A separate 1-story, gable-roofed shed is located to the north.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: .2 acres bounded to the N-Martin, S-Page, E-Parker, W-Main Street.

REFERENCES:

- 1856 Map -- Mrs. Prescott and J. L. Webster
- 1892 Map -- J. W. Prescott

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):

The Prescott House is a vernacular structure whose current configuration was derived by combining two structures. Some details date from the first half of the 19th century supporting an 1850 date, even perhaps earlier. Research might turn up which structures were combined to form this interesting amalgamation. It makes a definite contribution to the historic character of the district.

MAP DATA 1856-G W Prescott
1892-Mrs. Prescott & J L Webster

SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT: Open Land ☐ Woodland ☐ Scattered Bldgs ☐ Moderately Built Up ☐
Densely Built Up ☐ Residential ☐ Commercial ☐ Industrial ☐ Agricultural ☐
Roadside Strip Development ☐ Other ☐

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