**TOWN:** Kingston  
**COUNTY:** Rockingham

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<td><strong>LOCATION:</strong>  &amp; side of Main St., .25 miles N of inter. of Main &amp; Bartlett</td>
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<td><strong>ADDRESS:</strong></td>
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<td><strong>DATE:</strong></td>
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**UTM:** Z 19 /E 332400 /N 475575

**USGS QUAD:** Kingston Quad 7.5' series

**FUNCTIONAL TYPE:** Town Hall

**PRESENT USE:** Town Hall

**ARCHITECT/BUILDER:** Currier? from Boston

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| **LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE:** | Natl | State | Local |

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** Structural System

1. **FOUNDATION:** Stone, Brick, Concrete, Concrete Block
2. **WALL STRUCTURE:** Wood Frame, Post & Beam, Balloon Frame, Other, Load Bearing Masonry, Stone, Brick, Concrete Block, Other, Metal, Iron, Steel, Other, Other
3. **WALL COVERING:** Clapboard, Wood Shingle, Board & Batten, Shiplap, Aluminum Novelty, Stucco, Stone, Brick, Sheet Metal, Asphalt Shingles, Vinyl, Asphalt Sheeting, Composite Board, Other
4. **ROOF SHEATHING:** Wood Shingle, Asphalt Shingle, Standing Seam, Tim, Slate, Pressed Metal, Sheet Metal, Rolled Asphalt, Other
5. **ENGINEERING STRUCTURE:**
6. **OTHER:**
   - # of Stories: 2  
   - # of Bays: N-S  
   - Approx. Dimensions: 50' x 70'
   - Roof Style: Gable, Hip, Gambrel, Flat, Mansard, Jerkinhead, Monitor, Sawtooth, Other
   - Appendages: Porches, Towers, Dormers, Bay Windows, Ells, Chimneys, Wings, Cupolas, Sheds, Garage, Other
   - Entry Location: Center, Sidehall, Other

**MAP (Indicate North in circle):**

**PHOTO**

**Description of View:** Front-west, Side-south

**Photographer:** Herb Hubert

**Negative with:** S.R.R.C.

**Negative File Number:** N-80-20/144-A-15
ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The Kingston Town Hall is a 2-story brick Colonial Revival style structure featuring a pediment on its front facade and a tower surmounted by an ornamental balustrade and lantern cupola.

The 2-story pavilion has a pediment supported by four 2-story engaged columns, the gable of which contains a round window. Above and behind the pediment a brick parapet encircles the entire building. The center entry is arched (with a keystone) and recessed with double-leaf doors. It has sidelights and a transom surmounted by a semi-circular radiating fan light. The nine-over-nine windows have decorative lintels. Three large twelve-over-twelve windows on the north and south facades are surmounted by semi-circular arched lights with keystones. At the basement level are several four-over-four windows.

The flat roof has a square tower decorated with quoins and surmounted by an ornamental balustrade and a lantern cupola. The cupola has semi-circular arched lights with keystones.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: To the east is one story brick shed with a ridge-type hip roof topped by a narrow chimney with a corbelled cap. The roofline has a denticulated and corbelled frieze. The entrance has a four panel door. All windows are six-over-six.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: 1.2 acres bounded to the N-Grootenboer, S-Bake, E-Kelley, Depot Road, W-Main Street.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):

The Kingston Town Hall is a typical example of Colonial Revival Civic Architecture as exemplified by the contrast of white portico with the red brick.

Historic Associations: First town hall building was originally built by Methodist Society, Levi Bartlett local founder (1818), with Kingston Wesleyan Academy formally organized in 1819; building erected 1819. The school was used by surrounding towns and was essentially non-denominational. School closed c. 1900, and building with addition became Town Hall. Burned 1928. See picture page 79, Town History.

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

Recorded By: Herb Subert Scott Hovak

Date: 12/19/76