HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT
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TOWN: Kingston   COUNTY: Rockingham

SURVEY NUMBER: District 2   14

COMMON NAME: The Briggs House
HISTORIC NAME: E. S. Philbrick House

LOCATION: Junction Little River Road, and Little River Road West

OWNER: Charles & Sheila Briggs

ADDRESS: 52 Little River Rd., Kingston, NH

MAP & PARCEL #: R39-18

DATE: C. 1742

SOURCE: Assessors Office, Kingston

STYLE: Georgian

UTM: Z 19/E 333800 /N 4757475

USGS QUAD: Haverhill Quad 15' series

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Residential

PRESENT USE: Residential

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown

CONDITION: Exc._GoodX_Fair_Poor_Ruins__

INTEGRITY: Original Site X Moved (When: )

Major alterations & date: c.1930 remodeled after fire by Eugene Prescott, a good carpenter; added paneling.

LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE: Natl__State__Localx

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

1. FOUNDATION: Stone_ Brick__ Concrete__ Concrete Block__
2. WALL STRUCTURE: Wood Frame_ Post & Beam__ Ballon Frame__ Other__
   Load Bearing Masonry__ Stone__ Brick__ Concrete Block__ Other__
   Metal__ Iron__ Steel__ 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 2½  # of Bays 5x2  Approx. Dimensions 35' X 25'
   Roof Style: Gable__ Hip__ Gambrel__ Flat__ Shed__ Mansard__ Jerkinhead__
   Monitor__ Sawtooth__ Other__
   Appendages: Porches__ Towers__ Dormers__ Bay Windows__ Els__ Chimneys 2 on MB
   Wings__ Cupolas__ Sheds__ Garage__ Other__
   Entry Location: Center__ Sidehall__ Other__

MAP (Indicate North in circle):

PHOTO

Description of View:
Front (SW)  Side (NW)

Photographer: Scott Novak
Negative with: S.R.R.C.
Negative File Number: K80-4-C/16-16A
ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:
The Briggs house is a 2½ story, central chimney, Georgian style house. The 6 panelled center entry door is flanked by full height sidelights and pilasters which rise to meet a full entablature. Windows have nine over six sash on the first story and six over six on the second story, all with architrave trim. The low pitched roof is topped by two chimneys, one with a corbeled cap. Cornice treatment consists of close raking eaves and a boxed cornice on the lateral eaves.
A 1 story, gable roofed ell rests on a concrete foundation. It has the same siding and eaves treatment as the main block, a large chimney, and an attached 1 story, gable roofed enclosed entry porch.
There is a 1 story, hip roofed open porch attached to the main block.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT:


REFERENCES:
1856 Map 1892 Map

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):

The massing and proportions of the E. S. Philbrick House are distinctly Georgian in character. The center entry appears to have been remodelled c.1830 and other more recent changes have modified it.