TOWN: Kingston  COUNTY: Rockingham

SURVEY NUMBER: 13

COMMON NAME: Bison House

HISTORIC NAME: J. Callahan House

LOCATION: SW side of Newton Junction Road, .90 miles SE of the inter. of Rte. 125

OWNER: Ranie & Joan Bison


MAP & PARCEL #: R-4/24

DATE: c. 1880

SOURCE: Assessor's Office, Kingston

STYLE: Late 19th Century Vernacular

UTM: Z 19 /E 370800 /N 4748225

USGS QUAD: Haverhill Quad 15' Series

FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Residential

PRESENT USE: Residential

ARCHITECT/Builder: Unknown

CONDITION: Exc. Good x Fair Poor Ruins

INTEGRITY: Original Site x Moved ___

Major alterations & date: Unknown

LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE: Natl State Local X

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System

1. FOUNDATION: Stone Brick x Concrete Concrete Block

2. WALL STRUCTURE: Wood Frame x Post & Beam Ballon Frame x Other
   Load Bearing Masonry Stone Brick Concrete Block Other
   Metal Iron Steel Other

3. WALL COVERING: Clapboard x 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 X Other

5. ENGINEERING STRUCTURE:

6. OTHER:

   # of Stories ½  # of Bays __ Approx. Dimensions 19' x 22'
   Roof Style: Gable x Hip Gambrel Flat Shed Mansard Jerkinhead
   Monitor Sawtooth Other
   Appendages: Porches 2 Towers Dormers Bay Windows 1 Eells 1 Chimneys 1
   Wings Cupolas Sheds Garage 1 Other
   Entry Location: Center Sidehall Other Sidewall

MAP (Indicate North in circle):

PHOTO

Description of View: Front-northeast Side-southeast

Photographer: Scott Novak

Negative with: S.R.R.C.
ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:
The Bison House is a 1½-story, cable-roofed, vernacular structure. The entrance is sheltered by a 1-story, flat-roofed enclosed porch which has two-over-two windows and a multi-lit door flanked by sidelights. All of the windows on the main block have two-over-two sash and are capped with partial entablatures. The medium-pitched roof is topped by a narrow chimney and the roofline consists of a boxed cornice with a wide frieze and gable-end returns. A 1½-story, gable-roofed wing projects to the southeast. It has the same cornice treatment and windows as the main block and a 1-story, flat-roofed, bay window extends from the southeast elevation. An identical 1½-story wing projects to the northwest.

A 1½-story, cable-roofed ell has clapboard siding, a 4-panelled door with one large-light, two-over-two windows, and is topped by a narrow chimney. The entrance is sheltered by a 1-story, shed-roofed, enclosed porch with exposed rafters, clapboard siding, one-over-one windows, and a concrete block foundation. An attached 1-story, gable-roofed shed extends to the southwest of the main block.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: A separate 1-story, gable-roofed garage is located to the south of the main block.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: .5 acre bounded to the N-Straw, N-Ox Road, N-Newton Junction Road, N-Straw, N-Avery.

REFERENCES:

1892 Map

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):
The J. Callahan House is a small vernacular, late 19th century structure which contributes to the streetscape of Newton Junction Road.

MAP DATA: 1892: J. Callahan

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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