HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT
Strafford Rockingham Regional Council
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TOWN: Kingston  COUNTY: Rockingham
SURVEY NUMBER: 16
COMMON NAME: Swanson House
HISTORIC NAME: Unknown
LOCATION: SW side of Newton Junction Rd.
0.74 miles southeast of Rte. 125
OWNER: Richard & Deborah Swanson
ADDRESS: 41 Newton Jct. Rd., Kingston, NH
MAP & PARCEL #: R-4/30
DATE: c. 1870
SOURCE: Inspection
STYLE: Mansard

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 _
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 _ # of Bays _ Approx. Dimensions _ 20' x 30'
   Roof Style: Gable _ Hip _ Gambrel _ Flat _ Shed _ Mansard _ Jerkinhead _
   Monitor _ Sawtooth _ Other _
   Appendages: Porches _ Towers _ Dormers _ Bay Windows _ Ells _ Chimneys _
   Wings _ Cupolas _ Sheds _ Garage _ Other _
   Entry Location: Center _ Sidehall _ Other _ sideway

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 Swanson House is a 2-story, late-nineteenth century structure built in the Mansard style and characterized by irregular fenestration and numerous projections. The original main block of this house has a bellcast mansard roof with four flat-roofed dormers set into it. Later, several wings were added which exhibit a simpler form of the mansard roof.

The main entrance, located on the southeast elevation, has a 3-panelled door with decoratively arranged lights sheltered by a hip-roofed doorhood supported by turned brackets. Most of the windows have two-over-two sash and a 1-story, shed-roofed, bay window is located on the southeast elevation. Other features included some Victorian era windows with decoratively arranged sash and decoratively-cut wood shingles in the mansard of the later additions. The main block rests on a fieldstone foundation and the wings are supported by brick.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: A 1-story garage is located to the south of the house.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: 2.0 acres bounded to the N-Newton Junction Road, S-Gibson, E-Fecker, W-Stewart.

REFERENCES:

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):

The Swanson House is a very vernacular interpretation of the Mansard style and actually is extremely interesting.

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

Recorded By: Herb Hubert Scott Novak

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