HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSISTANCE PROJECT
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LOCATION: South side of Marshall Rd., .61 miles E of the intersection of Thorn Road.

TOWN: Kingston
COUNTY: Rockingham

SURVEY NUMBER: 149
COMMON NAME: Harmon House
HISTORIC NAME: Carriage Shop

OWNER: George Harmon
ADDRESS: 12 Marshall Rd., Kingston, NH

MAP & PARCEL #: R-33/22
DATE: C. 1840
SOURCE: Inspection

STYLE: Greek Revival

UTM: Z 19 / E 371725 / N 4757050
USGS QUAD: Haverhill Quad 15' Series
FUNCTIONAL TYPE: Residential
PRESENT USE: Residential
ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown

CONDITION: Exc. Good Fair Poor Ruins
INTEGRITY: Original Site Moved

Major alterations & date: 16' addition
12' addition extending to the barn
LEVEL/SIGNIFICANCE: Natl State Local

GENERAL DESCRIPTION: Structural System

1. FOUNDATION: Stone X Brick Concrete Concrete Block
2. WALL STRUCTURE: Wood Frame X Post & Beam Ballon Frame 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 Sheting 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 px Approx. Dimensions 28'x60' (originally 28 x 32)
   Roof Style: Gable X Hip Gambrel Flat Shed Hunsard Jerkinhead
   Monitor Sawtooth Other
   Appendages: Porches Towers Dormers Bay Windows Eells Chimneys
   Wings Cupolas Sheds Garage Other
   Entry Location: Center X Sidehall Other

MAP (Indicate North in circle):

PHOTO

Description of View: Front-north
Side-east

Photographer: Scott Novak
Negative with: S.R.R.C.
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ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

The Harmon House is a 1½-story Greek Revival style structure. The 4-paneled center entry door is flanked by full-length sidelights and pilasters. It is sheltered by a 1-story, shed-roofed open porch which is supported by polygonal, tapering columns. Windows have six-over-six sash, and caps on the gable-end windows. The medium-pitched roof is topped by one end-placed, corbel-capped chimney, and the eaves treatment consists of a boxed cornice with a wide frieze, and gable-end returns visually supported by paneled corner pilasters.

A 1-story, gable-roofed ell has clapboard siding and six-over-six windows. The entry door has been boarded up, but the sidelights have been returned.

RELATED STRUCTURES AND CONTEXT: An attached 2-story, gable-roofed barn has been converted for use as a garage. It has windows with six-over-six and two-over-two shed, clapboard siding, and a cement foundation.

BOUNDARY AND ACREAGE DESCRIPTION: 1.2 acres bounded to the N-Marshall Road, S-Magnusson, Pine Acres Mobile Homes, E-Magnusson, W-Leet.

REFERENCES:

Kingston Historic Advisory Committee; interviews w/members, Spring 1980
1856 Map
1892 Map

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Evaluation & Historical Associations):

This is a fine example of Greek Revival style. Map data indicates that it served as a carriage shop to the Marshall carriage industry.

MAP DATA: 1856: Shop
1892: Carriage shop

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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