

Site # 47

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Theme _____

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

Michigan History Division
Michigan Department of State
Lansing, Michigan 48918

IDENTIFICATION

- 1. Building name Robert Boyns home
- 2. County Oakland Town/City _____ Village Clarkston
- 3. Street Location 75 South Main Street
- 4. Ownership: a. Public b. Private
- 5. Present Owner Mr. & Mrs. Robert Boyns Address 75 South Main Street
- 6. Use: Original home Present 2-family home
- 7. Accessibility to Public: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain Private

DESCRIPTION

- 8. Building Material a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco h. other _____
- 9. Structural Material a. wood frame with interlocking joints b. wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
c. masonry load-bearing walls d. iron frame e. steel frame with curtain walls
f. reinforced concrete g. other _____
- 10. Condition a. excellent b. good c. fair d. deteriorated
- 11. Integrity a. original site b. moved if so, when? _____
Notes on alterations and additions, with dates and architect. Only known alterations, it was a two family in 1935 with only electricity, in 1938 Mr. Boyns purchased home and modernized plumbing, removed a front porch and added two back porches, says old wood work is still there and he has lowered the front ceilings two feet.
- 12. Related Outbuildings and Property a. barn b. carriage house c. garage d. privy e. shed
f. shop g. greenhouse h. landscape features i. other _____
- 13. Surroundings of the Building a. open land b. woodland c. scattered outbuildings d. densely built-up
e. commercial f. industrial g. residential h. other _____
- 14. Photo _____
- 15. Map _____

16. Interrelationship of Building and Surroundings Located in a residential area with commercial across the street, plus vacant land, only two doors from an older home that is restored and made into offices.

17. Other Notable Features of Building and Site Greek revival architecture

18. Threats to Building

- a. none known
- b. zoning
- c. roads
- d. developers
- e. deterioration
- f. other _____

SIGNIFICANCE (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

19. Architectural Significance

Date of Construction c. 1850/1880 Architect _____

Builders, suppliers, etc. _____

Notes on original plan and specifications:

20. Historical Significance: This home is located on land originally deeded to Butler Holcomb in 1831, then to Nelson Clark; Abram Houghtellin in 1851, Joshua Clayton 1855-1856; Lee Bingham, a miller as well as manufacturer of harnesses and farm implements, owned this property 1862-1877. Taxes on this property in 1852, when Abram Houghtellin owned this Lot 8 were \$50.00 and in 1855 tax roll show G. B. Bartlett owner and it is taxed at \$425, indicating a building of some kind and in 1880 Mary McKeaud owner is taxed \$800.00 indicating an addition.

The 1872 map shows a large home of the same out line as is presently there and Lee Bingham as owner. The taxes of 1874 are \$450.00.

21. Sources (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date):

Tax Records - Village Hall, 25 S. Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan 48016 Abstract belonging to Mr. Robert Boyns with some of the original records done in script writing

Mr. Robert Boyns - oral history

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