

FORM B - BUILDING

AREA	FORM NO.
	171

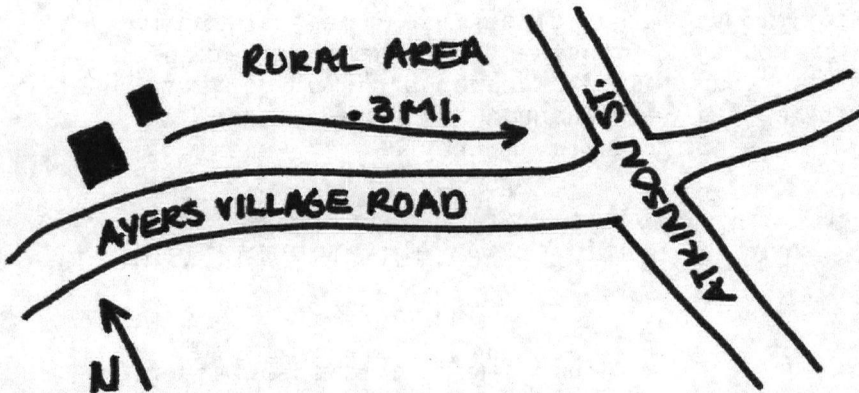
MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
294 WASHINGTON STREET, BOSTON, MA 02108

PHOTO: (3x3" or 3x5", black & white)  
staple to left side of form

Photo number 7-33, 7-34 barn

SKETCH MAP

Show property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and/or geographical features. Indicate all buildings between inventoried property and nearest intersection. Indicate north.



Recorded by Gail Hunton/Carole Zellie  
Organization Landscape Research, Ltd.  
Date May, 1978/May, 1983  
Assessor's Data: Block 72A, Lot 8

Town Methuen ✓  
Address 58 Ayers Village Road, ✓  
Historic Name Emerson House ✓  
Present Owner: Harold Oliver

Use: Present private residence  
Original same

DESCRIPTION:

Date ca.1750  
Source v/a; maps  
Style Vernacular (with Georgian entry)  
Architect unknown  
Exterior wall fabric clapboard  
Outbuildings 2½-story Greek Revival barn

Major alterations (with dates) East side porch; 20th century

Moved no Date n/a  
Approx. acreage one acre or less *47,044 sq. ft.*

Setting rural setting on New Hampshire border.

UTM: Salem Depot 1:25,000  
19/322120/4739420

(Staple additional sheets here)

ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (Describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within the community.)

58 Ayers Village Road is a 1½-story vernacular cottage dating from the mid 18th century. The narrow central entry is lit by a four-paned transom and flanked by small 2/2 windows. The size of the window openings is probably original, but the sash is a late 19th century replacement. The clapboard-clad building has a steeply pitched roof and rests on a granite foundation. 38 Ayers Village Road is one of few 1½-story dwellings extant in Methuen.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (Explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community.)

58 Ayers Village Road is significant as a well preserved 18th century dwelling in the northeast corner of Methuen, near the Haverhill line. The building is associated with the 18th and 19th century agricultural history of Methuen, and conserves a portion of the original rural landscape. It possesses integrity of location, design, setting, materials, and workmanship and meets criterion C of the National Register of Historic Places.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES (name of publication, author, date and publisher)

Barker , Stephen. 1806 Facsimile Map of Methuen (ca.1854).

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

For NPS use only

received

12/1/83

date entered

Continuation sheet

Item number

Page 1 of 5

Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

dnr-11

Name Methuen Multiple Resource Area  
State Essex County, MASSACHUSETTS

Cover — OIC

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

- |  |                                     |            |                              |
|--|-------------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Barker, Stephen, House              | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
|  |                                     | Attest     | _____                        |
| 2. Buswell, J. E., House               | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
|  |                                     | Attest     | _____                        |
| 3. Daddy Frye's Hill Cemetery          | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
|  |                                     | Attest     | _____                        |
| 4. Dolan, Terence, House               | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
|  |                                     | Attest     | _____                        |
| 5. Double-arch Sandstone Bridge        |                                     | Keeper     | <u>Ann DePaul</u> 1/20/84    |
|  |                                     | Attest     | _____                        |
| 6. Emerson House                       | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
|  |                                     | Attest     | _____                        |
| 7. Emerson, Capt. Oliver,<br>Homestead | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
|  |                                     | Attest     | _____                        |
| 8. Emmons, G. B., House                | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
|  |                                     | Attest     | _____                        |
| 9. First Baptist Church                | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers</u> 1/20/84 |
|  |                                     | Attest     | _____                        |
| 10. Hardy, Urias, House                |                                     | Keeper     | <u>Ann DePaul</u> 1/20/84    |
|  |                                     | Attest     | _____                        |

Substantive Review

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Emerson House (Methuen MRA)  
Essex County  
MASSACHUSETTS

Working No. DEC - 7 1983  
Fed. Reg. Date: 2-5-85  
Date Due: 1/5/84 - 1/21/84  
Action:  ACCEPT 1/20/84  
 RETURN  
 REJECT  
Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Entered in the  
National Register

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_  
Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_  
Discipline \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: \_\_\_\_\_ technical corrections cited below  
\_\_\_\_\_ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

<b>Condition</b> <input type="checkbox"/> excellent <input type="checkbox"/> good <input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> ruins <input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	<b>Check one</b> <input type="checkbox"/> unaltered <input type="checkbox"/> altered	<b>Check one</b> <input type="checkbox"/> original site <input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
--	---	--	---

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

**8. Significance**

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below \_\_\_\_\_

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_ Builder/Architect \_\_\_\_\_  
Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- applicable criteria
- justification of areas checked
- relating significance to the resource
- context
- relationship of integrity to significance
- justification of exception
- other

**9. Major Bibliographical References**

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreege of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_  
Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_  
UTM References \_\_\_\_\_

Verbal boundary description and justification \_\_\_\_\_

**11. Form Prepared By**

**12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_ national      \_\_\_\_ state      \_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature \_\_\_\_\_

title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

**13. Other**

- Maps
- Photographs
- Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

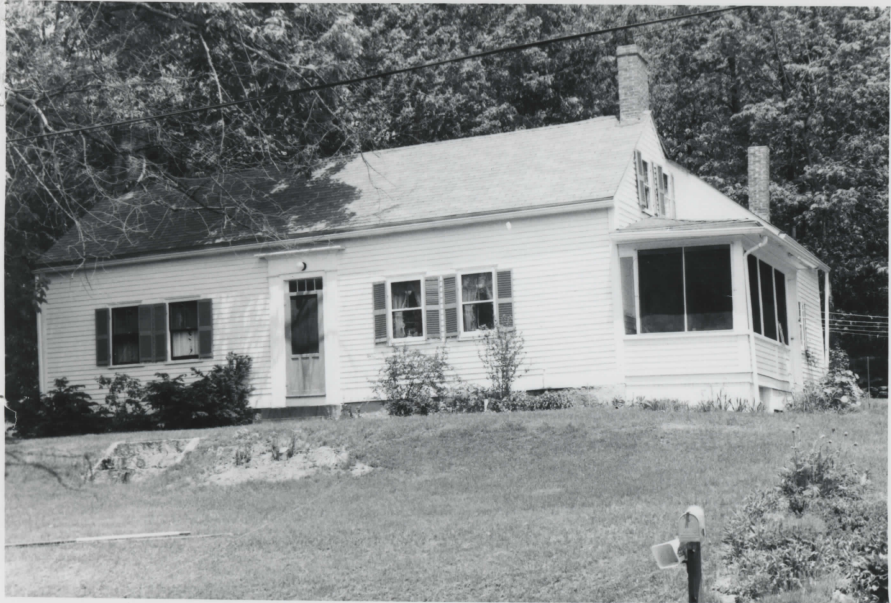


Emerson House

McMahon MRA Me

571A

the t

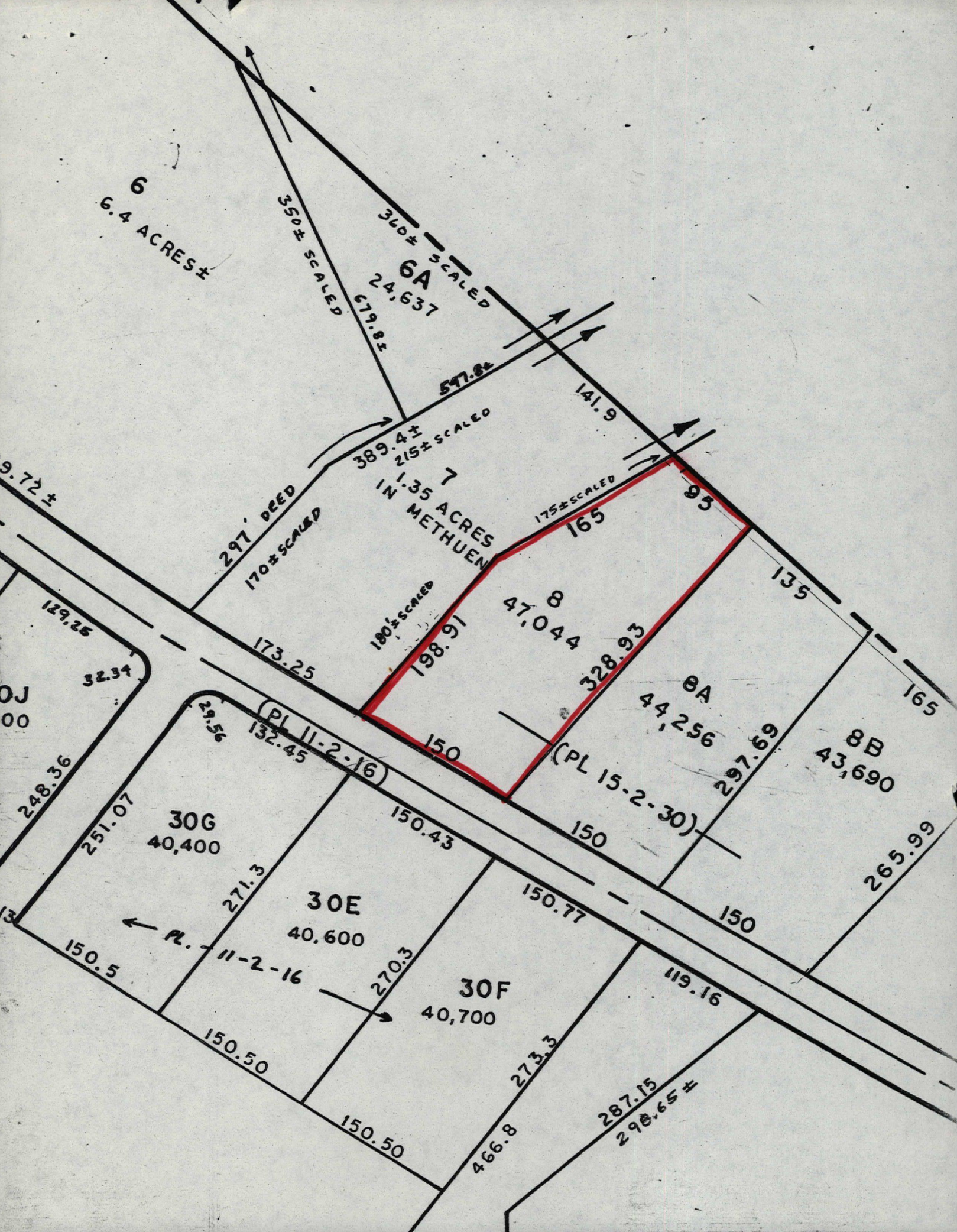


Emerson House

Northwell, MA, Me

7-343

STIA



6  
6.4 ACRES±

360± SCALED  
6A  
24,637  
679.8±

389.4±  
215± SCALED  
7  
1.35 ACRES  
IN METHUEN

8  
47,044

8A  
44,256

8B  
43,690

30G  
40,400

30E  
40,600

30F  
40,700

165

95

(PL 11-2-16)

(PL 15-2-30)

PL. 11-2-16

350± SCALED

360± SCALED

597.8±

141.9

297' DEED  
170± SCALED

175± SCALED

180± SCALED

173.25

150

150

297.69

135

165

265.99

150

150.77

119.16

150.5

150.50

150.50

466.8

273.3

287.15

298.65±

129.25

32.34

248.36

251.07

29.56

132.45

271.3

270.3

150.77

119.16

265.99

9.72±

0J  
00

13

Please refer to the map in the  
Multiple Property Cover Sheet  
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000284