

# FORM B – BUILDING

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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
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 220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD  
 BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

**Town:** Tewksbury

**Place:** (*neighborhood or village*)  
South Tewksbury

**Address:** 2003 Main Street

**Historic Name:** Edward & Pauline Bowley House

**Uses:** Present: Two Family Residential

Original: Single Family Residential

**Date of Construction:** 1890

**Source:** Assessor's Database

**Style/Form:** No Style

**Architect/Builder:**

**Exterior Material:**

Foundation: Granite

Wall/Trim: Asphalt Shingle

Roof: Asphalt Shingle

**Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:**

**Major Alterations** (*with dates*):

**Condition:** Fair

**Moved:** no | X | yes | | **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

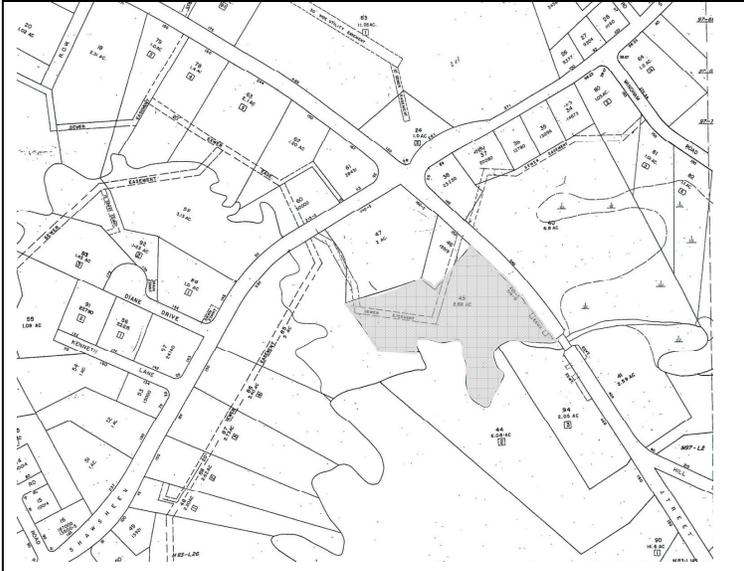
**Acreage:** 2.68 Acres

**Setting:** Located in a primarily commercial area on a major travel corridor near the intersection with Shawsheen Street. The property abuts the Shawsheen River.

## Photograph



## Topographic or Assessor's Map



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**Date** (*month / year*): March 2010

# INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

TEWKSBURY

2003 MAIN STREET

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\_\_\_ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

*If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*

*Use as much space as necessary to complete the following entries, allowing text to flow onto additional continuation sheets.*

## ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

*Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.*

The one-and-a-half-story dwelling at **2003 Main Street** rests on a granite foundation. The three by three bay dwelling has a side entrance on the main (east) facade. A one story addition projects from the main façade. The addition features a second entrance, horizontal window openings, and rectangular transom windows. A second narrow one story addition is located at the rear of the house. A small shed dormer projects from the southern slope of the front gable roof. The side gable roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles. A brick interior end chimney pierces the ridge of the roof. The walls are clad in asphalt siding. On the south façade, window openings have been filled-in, then replaced by smaller 1/1 sash windows.

## HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

*Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.*

The small dwelling near the corner of Shawsheen and Main Street was owned in the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century by Enoch W Foster, a local businessman who a 65-acre homestead with a house and barn near the corner of Main & South Streets. In the 1920s the house was sold several times and was owned by Everett Savings Bank in the early 1930s. In 1935 the house was purchased by Pauline Bowley.

Pauline was the wife of Edward Bowley, an ice dealer. Edward died in 1954 and the house was owned by Pauline and their son Edward Bowley Jr, who lived at 1997 Main Street on land his parents had given him in 1947. Pauline continued to reside in the house at 2003 Main Street until her death. Edward Bowley Jr was the founder of three companies: Tewksbury Auto Parts, a realty company, and Tewksbury Metals, a scrap metal company.

Additional owners: Enoch W Foster (1925); Walter McLaren (1925); Alek Small (1925-1929); Everett Savings Bank (1939-1935); Edward & Pauline Bowley (1935-1954); Edward Bowley Jr (1954-1992); and Margaret Bowley, the widow of Edward Bowley Jr (1992-2009).

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