

FORM B – BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

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Town: Tewksbury

Place: (*neighborhood or village*)
Tewksbury Center

Address: 967 Main Street

Historic Name: Junius Knowlton House

Uses: Present: Four-Unit Apartment Building

Original: Single Family Residence

Date of Construction: c1893

Source: Vital Records, property Valuations &

Census Records

Style/Form: Queen Anne

Architect/Builder:

Exterior Material:

Foundation: Not Visible

Wall/Trim: Vinyl Siding

Roof: Asphalt Shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:

Major Alterations (*with dates*):

Converted to multifamily (1966-1971)

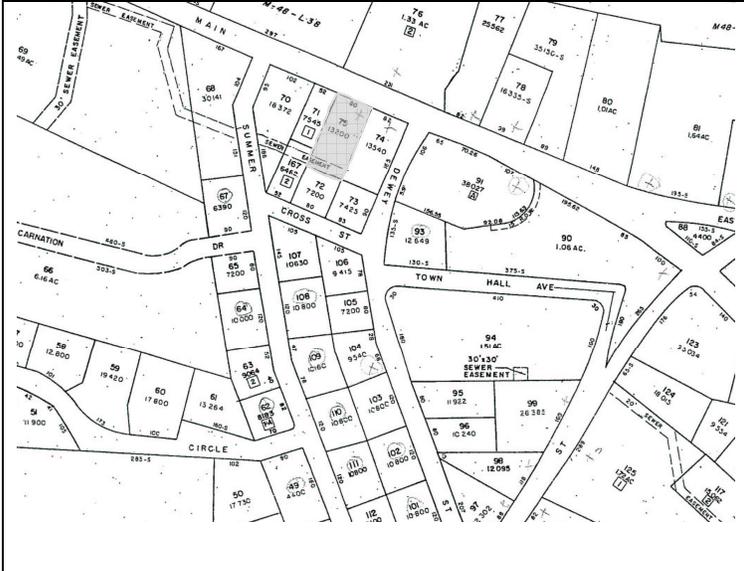
Condition: Fair

Moved: no | X | yes | | **Date** _____

Acreage: 0.3 Acres

Setting: Located near the village center in a primarily commercial area along a major travel corridor to Lowell (Main Street).

Topographic or Assessor's Map



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Date (*month / year*): March 2010

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

TEWKSBURY

967 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 Queen Anne dwelling at 967 Main Street is two-and-a-half stories in height. The dwelling has been slightly modified to accommodate a multi-family use. The two by three bay residence rests on a foundation that is hidden from public view by a wrap around porch. The porch has a hip roof supported by round columns. The underside of the porch is covered by lattice panels. The hip roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles. A gable dormer with a full pediment projects from the east side of the hip roof. A brick chimney projects from the ridge of the roof. A two-and-a-half story gable addition projects from the south side of the dwelling and features a two story bay window. The walls are clad in vinyl siding. The replacement windows are 1/1 sash windows. The main entrance door is a replacement metal door.

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 residence at 967 Main Street was built between 1890 and 1900, probably c1893 when Junius Knowlton married his wife Lillian and became the Superintendent of Schools. Knowlton, it is noted in directories lived opposite the Foster School (TEW.XX). By 1909 Knowlton had left Tewksbury and was working in New Haven, CT.

Francis & Mary McNamara (1947-1960); Donald Caswell (1960-1961); John H & Francis Hart (1961-1965); Louis Marion & Sons Inc. (1966-1967); Lowell Five Cents Savings Bank (1967-1969); Charles Hays & Richard Hayden (1969-1970); Richard Geiger (1970-1971); Melvin K Briggs (1971-1973); Chester Briggs (1973-1993); and Marguerite Bradshaw (1993-2009).

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