

FORM B – BUILDING

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Town: Tewksbury

Place: (*neighborhood or village*)

Photograph



Address: 23 Pine Street

Historic Name: Charles & Christina Streckwald House

Uses: Present: Two-family Residential

 Original: Single-family Residential & Greenhouses

Date of Construction: 1905-1910

Source: Deed Research & Census Records

Style/Form: Colonial Revival

Architect/Builder:

Exterior Material:

Foundation: Stone

Wall/Trim: Vinyl

Roof: Asphalt

Topographic or Assessor's Map



Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:

Major Alterations (*with dates*):

Loss of Greenhouses (late 20th Century)

Loss of outbuildings (c2007)

Condition: Fair

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

Acreage: 0.23 Acres

Setting: Located on a flat lot in a residential area comprised of Post WWII subdivision development and sparsely located pre- WWII homes and farms.

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Date (*month / year*): March 2010

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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 two-story Colonial Revival at 23 Pine Street is a three by two bay dwelling resting on a rectangular stone foundation. The walls are clad with vinyl siding. The hipe roof is sheathed in asphalt shingles. A large brick chimney protrudes from the west slope of the roof. The centrally located door is flanked by two half-height sidelights featuring small diamond-shaped panes of glass. The entrance is sheltered by a projecting portico. The hip roof of the portico is supported by two slender round columns. The entrance doo and portico are the few remaining character defining features of the dwelling that have not been replaced with newer materials. A second shallow partially infilled portico on the west façade shelters a secondary side entrance. 1/1 sash windows are symmetrically located on all elevations. On the south slope of the steeply pitched hip roof is a dormer centrally located above the main entrance door. A small 1/1 sash window is located within the hip roof dormer.

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 house at 45 Pine Street was built on a parcel of land that was once part of the George W Frost Farm (81 Pine Street TEW. XXX). In 1905 Amelia[Emelia] Small Frost, the widow of George W Frost, sold a large parcel of the Frost Farm to Charles & Christina Streckwald. Charles Streckwald was a German immigrant who came to the United States in 1865. The family built a house at the corner of Pine and Chandler Street 1905-1910. Their son John was a florist who operated a greenhouse that was built to the east of the extant dwelling 1912-1915.

In 1934 Christina Streckwald sold the house and greenhouses to Allen and Agnes Wilson. Allen Wilson and his brother George were also florists and operated a market gardening business out of the former Streckwald greenhouses. The greenhouses were removed in the late 20th century. An outbuilding to the rear of the dwelling at 19 Pine Street contained a garage and additional living space. A small square building that was part of the greenhouse complex remained as a garage. The two outbuildings were removed c2007 and a new dwelling was constructed c2008 at 30 Donovan Way.

Additional owners include: Allen & George Wilson (1972); Ralph & Amy Desilva (1972-2007); and Nancfour LLC (2007-2009).

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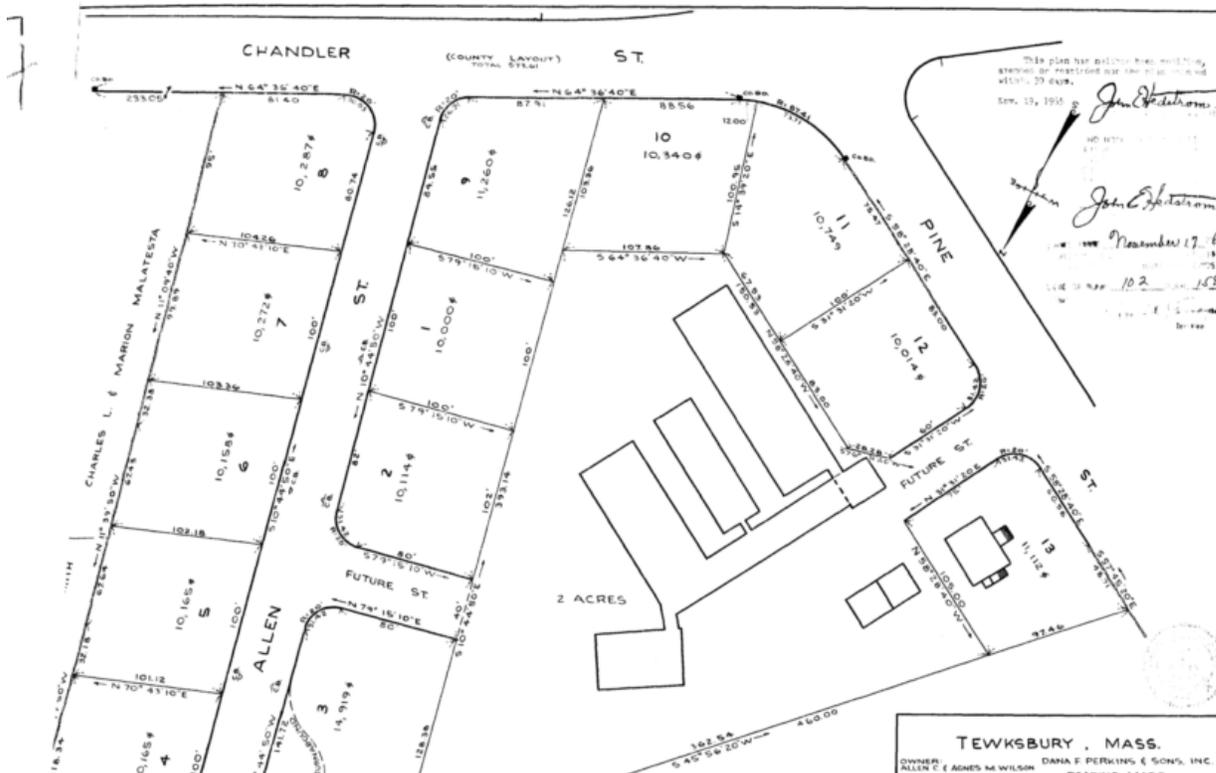
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Outbuildings demo'd and replace by a new residential property at the rear off Donovan Way



From the Middlesex North Registry of Deed Plan Book 102 Page 158 c1956 An initial subdivision plan never carried out, showing the location of greenhouses to the rear of 23 Pine Street.