

FORM B – BUILDING

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MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Town/City: Tewksbury

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

Photograph



Address: 139 East Street

Historic Name: Amy Tingley House

Uses: Present: Single Family Dwelling

Original: Single Family Dwelling

Date of Construction: ca. 1914

Source: MNRD 527/127, 128

Style/Form: Arts and Crafts

Architect/Builder: Unknown

Exterior Material:

Foundation: Rubblestone

Wall/Trim: Wood clapboard/Wood

Roof: Asphalt Shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:

Shed, late 20th c

Major Alterations (*with dates*):

Vinyl windows, late 20th/early 21st century

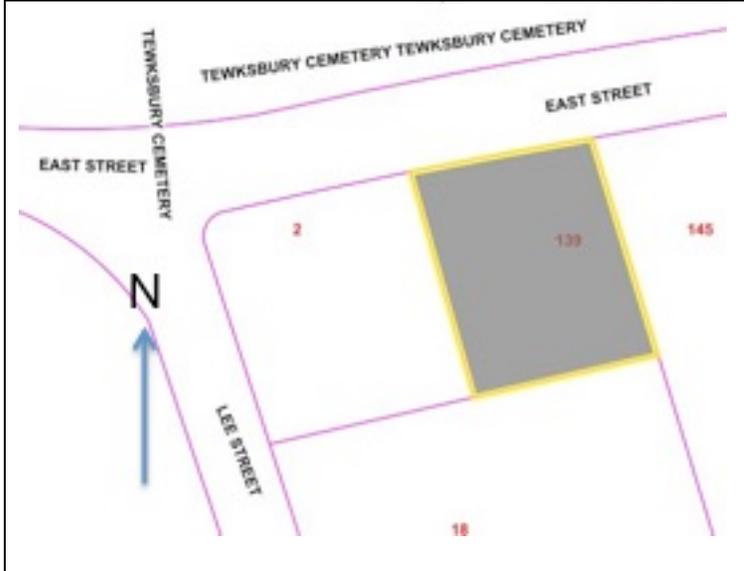
Condition: Good

Moved: no yes **Date:**

Acreage: .35ac

Setting: The Tingley house is on the south side of East Street across from the Tewksbury Cemetery and one lot east of Lee Street. The house is on a grassy, rectangular lot with large deciduous trees along the south property line.

Locus Map



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INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

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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.*

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

The Amy Tingley House (ca. 1914) is a north-facing, Arts and Crafts-style, one-and-one-half-story, two-bay-by-two-bay, wood-frame building with a rubblestone foundation and an end-gable roof. The walls are clad with wood clapboards, and the roof is covered with asphalt shingles. Shed wall dormers are in the center of the east and west slopes of the roof, and a brick chimney is south of the dormer on the east slope. The entrance is in the west bay of the north (facade) elevation, sheltered by a full-width, hip-roof porch supported by turned posts and enclosed by a low, wood balustrade. The entrance is filled with a modern replacement door and has a plain surround. A secondary entrance is in the south bay of the west elevation, in a slightly-projecting entry porch sheltered by a gable-roof overhang supported by simple posts. A bay window is centered in the gable peak of the north elevation. Fenestration consists of one-over-one vinyl sash with plain surrounds.

A non-historic shed is south of the house.

The Tingley House is an example of a typical small, single-family residence constructed in Tewksbury Centre at the turn of the twentieth century. Unlike others of its type, the house retains several stylistic elements, most notably its porch with turned posts.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

The Amy Tingley House (ca. 1914) was likely constructed for Amy Tingley, granddaughter of Henry Tingley who lived next door at 2 Lee Street (TEW.16). In 1914, Amy acquired a portion of the land purchased by her grandfather from George Lee in 1865 (MNRD 43/66, 527/127,128). It is unclear if Amy ever lived in the house, but in 1914 she sold the land and buildings to Edward and Gertrude Bailey (528/61). Edward (1839–1922) was a poultry farmer and a Civil War veteran, who lived on Maple Street with his wife Gertrude (1867–1929) prior to purchasing the East Street property (U.S. Census 1910; Find A Grave 2011).

In 1952, the Baileys' daughter Martha sold the house to Bronslaw and Dorothy Kohanski (1204/13). Prior to purchasing the property, the Kohanskis lived in Dracut, where Bronslaw, a Polish immigrant, worked as a mechanic (U.S. Census 1940; ancestry.com 2011). The Kohanskis' son Robert, a Dracut fireman, sold the property in 1989 to Bradford Dee and Paula Doyle, who owned the property for a year before selling it to Gregory Davidson (MNRD 5059/110, 5325/320; *Lowell Sun* 1966). In 1998, Davidson gave joint ownership to Jenny M.E. Day, and the two remain the owners of the property to the present (MNRD 9202/2).

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PHOTOGRAPH



Photo 2. 139 East Street, looking southeast.