

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property Name: 40 - 42 North Main Street Inventory Number: WA-II-843

Address: 40 - 42 North Main Street, Boonsboro, Maryland

Owner: 40 (P420) = Arnold & Barbara Griffith ; 42 (P419)= Erma Phillips

Tax Parcel Number: 420 & 419 Tax Map Number: 601

Project: Boonsboro Streetscape - WA960A21 Agency: Maryland State Highway Administration

Site visit by: John Milner Associates, Inc. Staff: no yes

Name: Kerri Culhane and Rachel Mancini Date: June 1999

Eligibility recommended Eligibility **not** recommended

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None

Is property located within a historic district? no yes Name of district: Town of Boonsboro

Is district listed? no yes

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Boonsboro Streetscape, Alternate US 40: MD 68 to East of Mousetown Road, Washington County, Maryland, SHA Report 215 (JMA 1999) and Final Report: Architectural and Cultural Survey of Boonsboro and Clear Spring, MD (Mueller 1992).

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

40 and 42 North Main were surveyed as a double house in the 1992 survey. The houses are currently connected by a breezeway over which one brick bay (belonging to No. 40 N. Main) abuts 42 North Main. Evidence suggests that these are actually two buildings built separately and only later attached. Number 40 North Main is an attached, two-story, three-bay log dwelling with a veneer of brick laid in a five-course American bond. The house has an asymmetrical facade with a single-leaf multipaned door paired with a three-part 1/1 wood sash window, both apparently early twentieth-century alterations. The second floor includes three 2/2 wood sash windows and a blind bay which extends over the breezeway between 40 and 42 North Main. There is an interior end chimney on the south end of the side-gabled roof. The roof has been clad in asphalt shingles. The building may date to the early nineteenth century with late-nineteenth and early-twentieth-century alterations.

Number 42 North Main is also a log building, and according to the owner, this was one of the original log buildings in late-eighteenth-century Boonsboro. The diminutive two-story, three-bay log house has been sided in coved novelty siding, or German siding, and the windows are 2/2 wood sashes with segmentally-arched upper panes, all late-nineteenth century alterations. The single-leaf half-glass door is surmounted by a transom. The house has an interior end chimney on the north side. The roof is clad in corrugated metal. A truncated brick interior chimney is located between the two buildings (40 and 42). This house was build over the historic town spring which still bubbles up into a cistern in the basement, before being channeled to a small creek which flows through several back yards before emptying into Shafer Park.

Both buildings have similar one-story, one-bay gabled porticos. At the rear of the lot is a grouping of late-nineteenth-century barns which belong to 40 and 42 North Main Street.

Both building are contributing resources to the Town of Boonsboro Historic District.

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Eligibility recommended

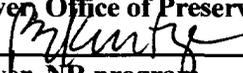
Eligibility not recommended

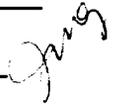
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Comments: _____


Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

12/1/99
Date


Reviewer, NR program

10/12/00
Date 

**PRESERVATION VISION 2000; THE MARYLAND PLAN
STATEWIDE HISTORIC CONTEXTS**

I. Geographic Region:

- Eastern Shore (all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil)
 Western Shore (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's)
 Piedmont (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)
 Western Maryland (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)

II. Chronological/Developmental Periods:

- Rural Agrarian Intensification A.D. 1680-1815
 Agricultural-Industrial Transition A.D. 1815-1870
 Industrial/Urban Dominance A.D. 1870-1930
 Modern Period A.D. 1930-Present
 Unknown Period (prehistoric historic)

III. Historic Period Themes:

- Agriculture
 Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning
 Economic (Commercial and Industrial)
 Government/Law
 Military
 Religion
 Social/Educational/Cultural
 Transportation

IV. Resource Type:

Category: Building
Historic Environment: Village
Historic Function(s) and Use(s): DOMESTIC/multiple dwelling; COMMERCE/TRADE/specialty store;
AGRICULTURAL/SUBSISTENCE/storage (spring)
Known Design Source: none



WPA 11-843

40 N Main St

Ebensboro, Washington Co., MD

Terri Cuthane

6/1992

neg: MD SHPO

looking NW, main house



WA-11-843

42 N. Main St.

Boonsboro Washington Co., MD

Terri Culhane

6/1999

reg: MD SHPD

east elevation main house



JFA 11-243

42 H. Main St

Boonsboro, Washington Co, MD

Terri Culhane

6/1999

neg: MD 5-PO

looking thru main house



WH-11-843

42 N. Main St

Boonsboro Washington Co, MD

Kerri Colhane

6/1999

neg: MD EPD

west elevation main house



WR-11-843

40 N. Main St.

Baltimore Washington Co. MD

Terri Cuthone

6/1/00

neg: MD SHPO

looking SE, main house



WA-11-843

40-42 N. Main St.

Boonsboro, Washington Co., MD

Kerri Culhane

6/1999

neg: MD SHPo

looking E. barn



WA-11-843

42 N. Main St.

Boonsboro, Washington Co, MD

Kerri Culhane

6/1999

neg: MD SHPO

looking N, outbuilding (behind fence)



WA-11-843

40-42 N. Main St
Boonsboro, Washington Co, MD
Terri Colano

6/1999

neg: MD SHPO

looking SW. barn (40)

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OWNER/LOT NUMBER/ACCESS: private
BUILDING DATE: 19th century, pre-1877

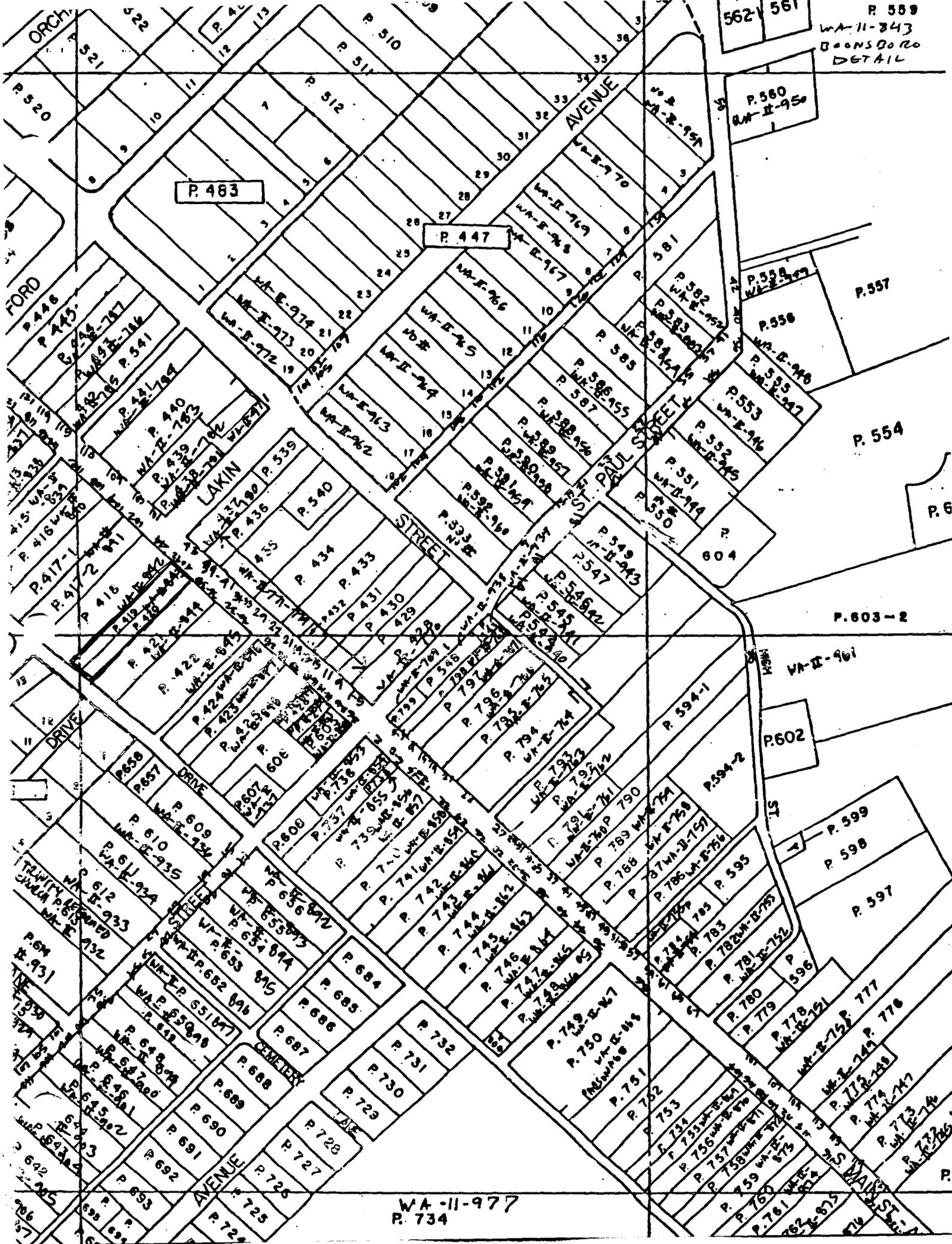
40-42 North Main Street is an east-facing, horizontally massed, two-and-a-half-story, six-bay, frame, attached, double house. The building, which is set directly at the public-right-of-way, has been partially veneered in brick (40 North Main). The structure has a side-gable, artificial shingle roof with two chimneys. There are two matching pedimented porticos at the center bays protecting the entrances to each house. The portico supports on 42 have been replaced. Those on 40 appear to be the original single doric columns. The door on 42 is comprised of a glazed pane above two panels and is topped by a two-light transom. The door on 40 is a four-panel one with a doorbell in the center. It is topped by a three-light transom. Windows on 42 are double-hung, two-over-two sash with the upper panes being rounded. The window positions on 40 Main have been extensively altered and no longer match those on 42.

Although buildings are indicated at this location on the 1877 map of the town, it is not possible to ascertain if they are the extant structures. The 1897-1910 Sanborns show the two buildings as 322 and 323 Main and indicate that they are both frame, although the southern one (40) has a brick veneer and was occupied by a confectionery. The 1924 and 1940 Sanborns seem to indicate that the two structures had been joined under a single roof. They were still two units, both being used as residences, and the southern half was still brick veneered. The porticos are not indicated on any of the maps.

The building is within the Western Maryland Geographic Organization, the probable Development Period of Agricultural-Industrial Transition, and falls within the Historic Period Theme of Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community Planning.

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40 NORTH MAIN STREET, BOONSBORO, WASHINGTON CO.

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JULIE MUELLER

LOOKING S.W.



WA - II - 843

42 NORTH MAIN STREET, BOONSBORO, WASHINGTON CO.

12/91

JULIE MUELLER

LOOKING S.W.