

SITE NUMBER: WA-IV-143
ADDRESS: 22 North Main Street, Smithsburg, MD
OWNER/LOT NUMBER/ACCESS: Smithsburg Volunteer Fire Company,
337/748, public
BUILDING DATE: 1930s

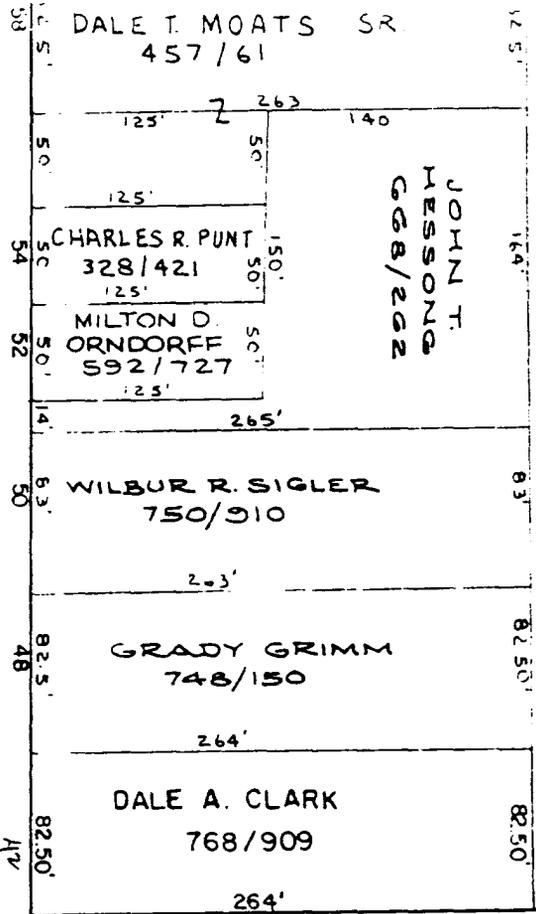
This one-story, horizontally massed, brick building houses the local fire company. The structure appears to have been altered over the years with the bricking in and glazing of garage doors and windows. The building has a flat roof with a permanent awning that slopes down across the front facade of the building. The awning is supported by wooden brackets. Parapet and party walls at the ends and center of the building are topped with tile copping. The principal building entrance is a modern, glazed, double door set in an aluminum frame.

The building is set on original lot 52, a vacant lot that has no owner listed on the 1814 plat of the town. A building owned by Dr. J.A. Riddlemoser stood on the site by 1875, according to the map of the town of that date. This may be the one-and-one-half-story log dwelling that is noted on the 1916 and 1923 Sanborn maps. According to the Smithsburg Historical Society, the extant structure was built in three parts with the southern end being the original section, the northern part added in the 1950s, and a large addition to the rear of the structure was built in the 1980s.

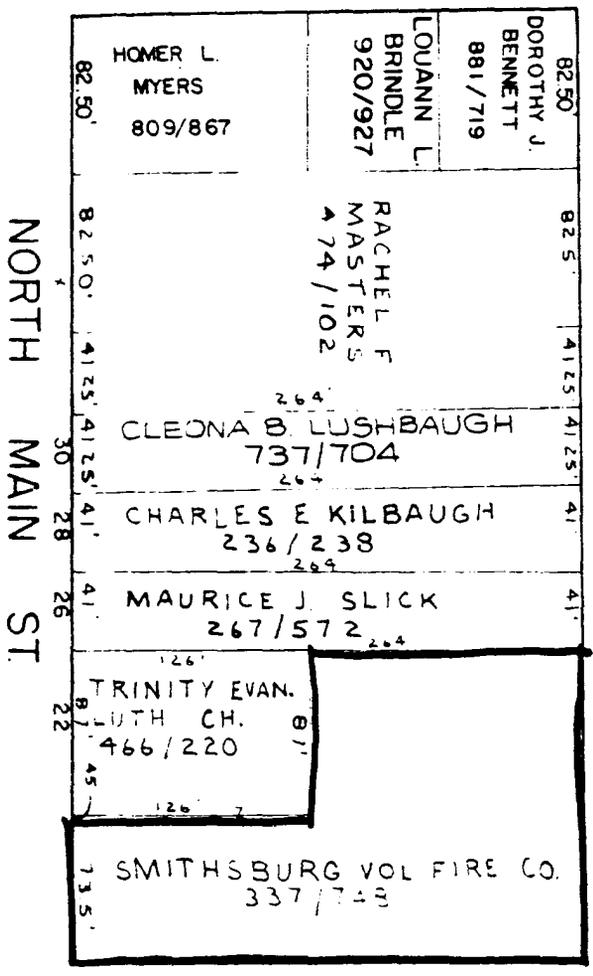
The building is within the Western Maryland Geographic Organization, the Modern Development Period, and falls within the Historic Period Theme of Government/Law if it was built as a firehouse (or Economic Period if it was built as a garage).

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