

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY - BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Please send completed form to: Stacey Vairo, National Register and State Register Coordinator,
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* Note: Please attach any additional or expanded information on a separate sheet.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Building Name (Common) 23 High Street
 Building Name (Historic) Edwin Flook House
 Street Address or Location 23 High Street
 Town/City Guilford Village _____ County New Haven
 Owner(s) Sean Libby and Margot Ebling Public Private

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Residential: single dwelling
 Historic Use: Residential: single dwelling

Accessibility to public: Exterior visible from public road? Yes No

Interior accessible? Yes No If yes, explain _____

Style of building Greek Revival Date of Construction 1874 (Helander)

Material(s) (Indicate use or location when appropriate):

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clapboard | <input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Siding | <input type="checkbox"/> Brick | <input type="checkbox"/> Wood Shingle | <input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt Siding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone | <input type="checkbox"/> Board & Batten | <input type="checkbox"/> Stucco | <input type="checkbox"/> Cobblestone | <input type="checkbox"/> Aluminum Siding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete (Type _____) | <input type="checkbox"/> Cut Stone (Type _____) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | |

Structural System

- Wood Frame Post & Beam Balloon Load bearing masonry Structural iron or steel
 Other _____

Roof (Type)

- Gable Flat Mansard Monitor Sawtooth
 Gambrel Shed Hip Round Other _____

(Material)

- Wood Shingle Roll Asphalt Tin Slate Asphalt Shingle
 Built up Tile Other _____

Number of Stories: 2 Approximate Dimensions 30' x 50'

Structural Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

Exterior Condition: Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated

Location Integrity: On original site Moved When? _____

Alterations? Yes No If yes, explain: _____

FOR OFFICE USE: Town # _____ Site # _____ UTM _____

District: S NR If NR, Specify: Actual Potential

PROPERTY INFORMATION (CONT'D)**Related outbuildings or landscape features:**

- Barn Shed Garage Carriage House Shop Garden
 Other landscape features or buildings: _____

Surrounding Environment:

- Open land Woodland Residential Commercial Industrial Rural
 High building density Scattered buildings visible from site

- Interrelationship of building and surroundings:

This property consists of 0.25 acres of land on the north side of High Street. A short driveway extends to the north off the road and terminates at a garage. The garage is just to the east of the house, and both the house and garage sit at the front (south end) of the parcel. The property is to the west of the intersection of High Street and Whitfield Street. Less than a mile to the north is the Guilford Green. (See continuation sheet)

- Other notable features of building or site (Interior and/or Exterior)

This is a two-story dwelling with a side-gable roof that has overhanging eaves. The house is Greek Revival in style and sheathed in clapboard siding. The roof is covered in asphalt shingles and the foundation is made of stone. The three-bay façade faces south, and the main entry is centered on this side. It is reached by stone steps and is protected from the elements by a gable-roof that is supported by decorative brackets. (See continuation sheet)

Architect Unknown Builder Unknown

- Historical or Architectural importance:

The original owner of this dwelling was Edwin Flook and it was built in 1874. Flook was born in England in 1817. He married Charlotte Stock in 1857 and came to the United States c. 1860. In the 1880 United States Federal Census records for Guilford, Connecticut, Flook was listed as a gardener living with his wife, Charlotte, on High Street. Flook died in 1900 at his sister and brother-in-law's home on Church Street where he moved after his wife had died c. 1888.

- Sources:

Guilford Tax Assessor property records accessed at <http://www.propertyrecordcards.com/PropertyResults.aspx?towncode=060&uniqueid=7940> on October 15, 2015. Helander, Joel Eliot. "A Treasury of Guilford Places." Guilford, Connecticut: Joel Helander, 2008. Shore Line Times. 1900. "Obituaries." March 1, pg. 5. Ancestry.com. 1880 United States Federal Census of Guilford, Connecticut.

Photographer Kristen Nietering Date 6/27/2015
View South view of the house, camera facing north. Negative on File _____
Name Kristen Nietering Date 10/15/2015
Organization Guilford Preservation Alliance
Address 199 PO Box Guilford, CT 06437

- Subsequent field evaluations:

Latitude & Longitude: 41.279379, -72.68062

Threats to the building or site:

- None known Highways Vandalism Developers Renewal Private
 Deterioration Zoning Other _____ Explanation _____

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CONTINUATION SHEET

23 High Street

Interrelationship of building and surroundings

Surrounding the property are nineteenth and early twentieth century single-family dwellings.

Other notable features of building or site

The Greek Revival features include the overhanging eaves, the symmetrical façade, the wide fascia board, molding on the corners and bottom of the house, and the slightly decorative features of the window trim as well as the door surround. Fenestration consists of paired, slender one-over-one double-hung sash windows. Additions are on the north and east elevations of the house.

