

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) 424 South Union
 Building Name (Historic) Patrick J. O'Brien House
 Street Address or Location 424 South Union
 Town/City Guilford Village _____ County New Haven
 Owner(s) William Young and Ronald Finocchio Public Private

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Residence: Single Family Dwelling
 Historic Use: Residence: Single Family Dwelling

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

Interior accessible? Yes No If yes, explain _____

Style of building Vernacular Date of Construction 1889 (Helander)

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

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|--|---|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clapboard | <input checked="" 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 33' x 18'

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:

Located on a .72 acre parcel, this west facing house is on the east side of South Union Street at the intersection with Saw Pit Road coming from the southeast and Stone House Lane coming from the west. It is in a residential area although adjacent properties are a commercial garage and a community center. The parking area is off of Saw Pit Road to the southeast of the house.

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

Built in 1889, this Vernacular style house sits atop a stone brick foundation and is sheathed in gray asbestos shingles. The front gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles and has two chimneys. A small fixed rectangular window sits horizontally and recessed with three vertical panes near the thick rake of the roof peak. Two two over two windows are located on the second floor level while one is on the first floor next to the front door entry. (See Continuation Sheet)

Architect Unknown Builder John C. Norton (Helander)

- Historical or Architectural importance:

Patrick J. O'Brien was the first owner in 1889 when John C. Norton built the house. John C. Norton was a prolific builder in Guilford (17 surviving) and lived at 52 Pearl Street. He subcontracted his services along with contracting for his own clients. He was also the general manager of Fowler & Colburn fish oil works at Indian Cove for 18 years. Later owners of this house were Charlotte Martin in 1902, Albert Barrett, and Sophia and Herman W. Baskin in 1922.

- Sources:

Helander, Joel Eliot, "A Treasury of Guilford Places," Guilford, CT: Joel Helander, 2008; Property card obtained at <http://www.propertyrecordcards.com/PropertyResults.aspx?towncode=060&uniqueid=8480> on September 21, 2015.

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View West, camera facing east Negative on File _____
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- Subsequent field evaluations:

Latitude: 41.279238
Longitude: -72.666452

Threats to the building or site:

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

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CONTINUATION SHEET

424 South Union Street

Notable Features

The white door surround is simple and has a small entablature. A small stoop with metal railing leads up to the entry.

