

INDIVIDUAL INVENTORY FORM **RECEIVED**

NHDHR INVENTORY # FRE0004

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Name, Location, Ownership

- 1. Historic name Freedom Town Hall
- 2. District or area Freedom Village
- 3. Street and number 16 Elm Street
- 4. City or town Freedom
- 5. County Carroll
- 6. Current owner Town of Freedom

Function or Use

- 7. Current use(s) Civic, Meeting Hall, Auditorium
- 8. Historic use(s) Civic, Meeting Hall, Library, Auditorium
Town Hall (government)

- 9. Style Greek Revival
- 10. Architect/builder S. Kenison, J. Farnsworth, W. Bennett
- 11. Source Freedom Town Reports
- 12. Construction date 1889
- 13. Source Town reports, date on building
- 14. Alterations, with dates 1994, alterations made to comply
With ADA requirements; 2011 safety updates
- 15. Moved? no yes date: _____

Exterior Features

- 16. Foundation Granite slabs
- 17. Cladding clapboards
- 18. Roof material metal
- 19. Chimney material brick
- 20. Type of roof front gable
- 21. Chimney location rear wall

- 22. Number of stories two
- 23. Entry location façade, center-paired
- 24. Windows double hung-2/2
Replacement? no yes date: _____

Site Features

- 25. Setting Village Center
- 26. Outbuildings none
- 27. Landscape features mature trees, walkway, small
memorial, grass, shrubs, lamp-post, information
board, railings



35. Photo #1 Direction East 36. Date March, 2013
37. Reference #: # 3073

- 28. Acreage .15 acres 29. _____
Tax map/parcel # 52/22
- 30. UTM reference Zone 19 E336285 N4853083
- 31. USGS quadrangle and scale 430-G1-TF-024 1:24000

Form prepared by

- 32. Name Peg Scully, Gale Morris,
- 33. Organization Freedom Heritage Commission
- 34. Date of survey June, 2013

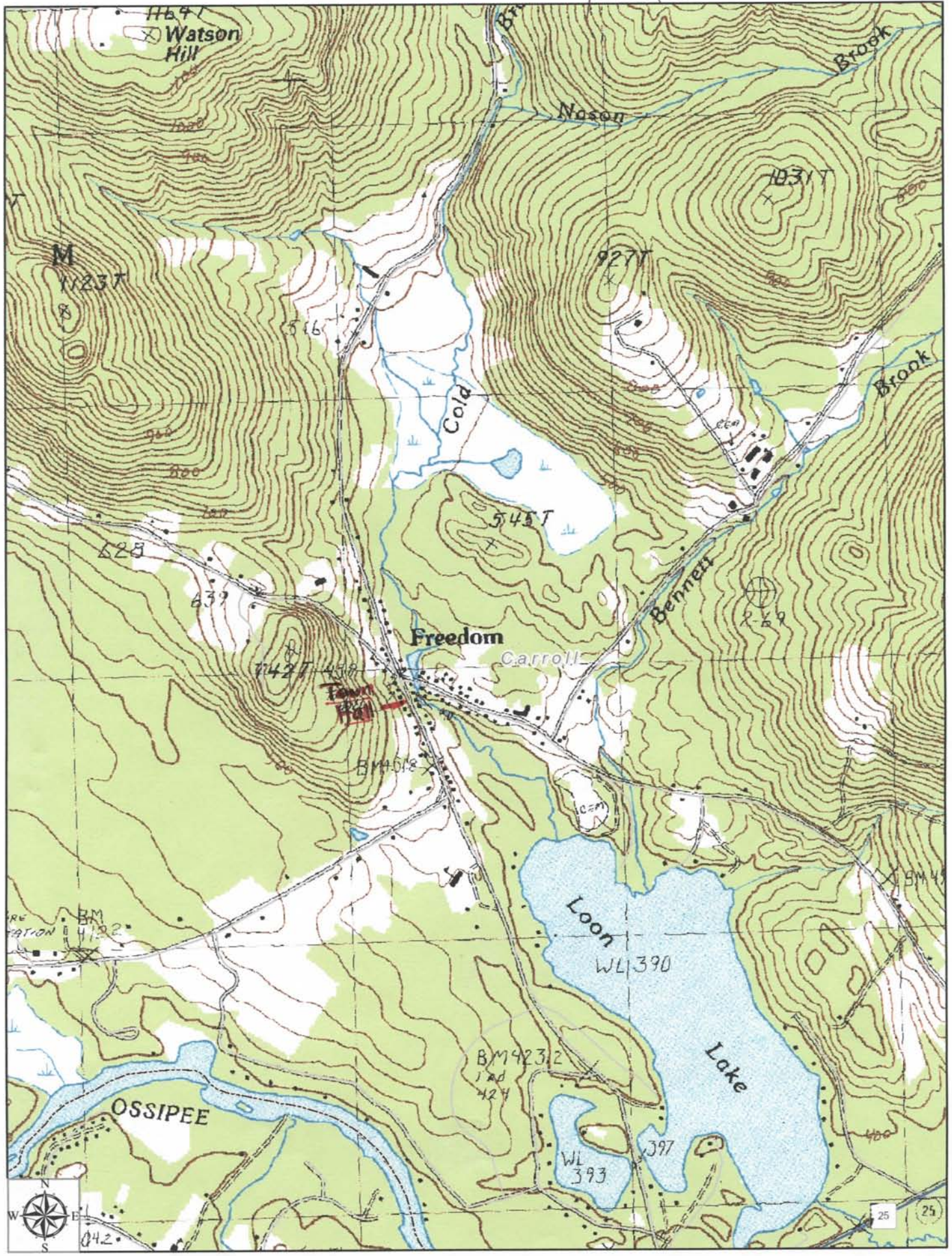
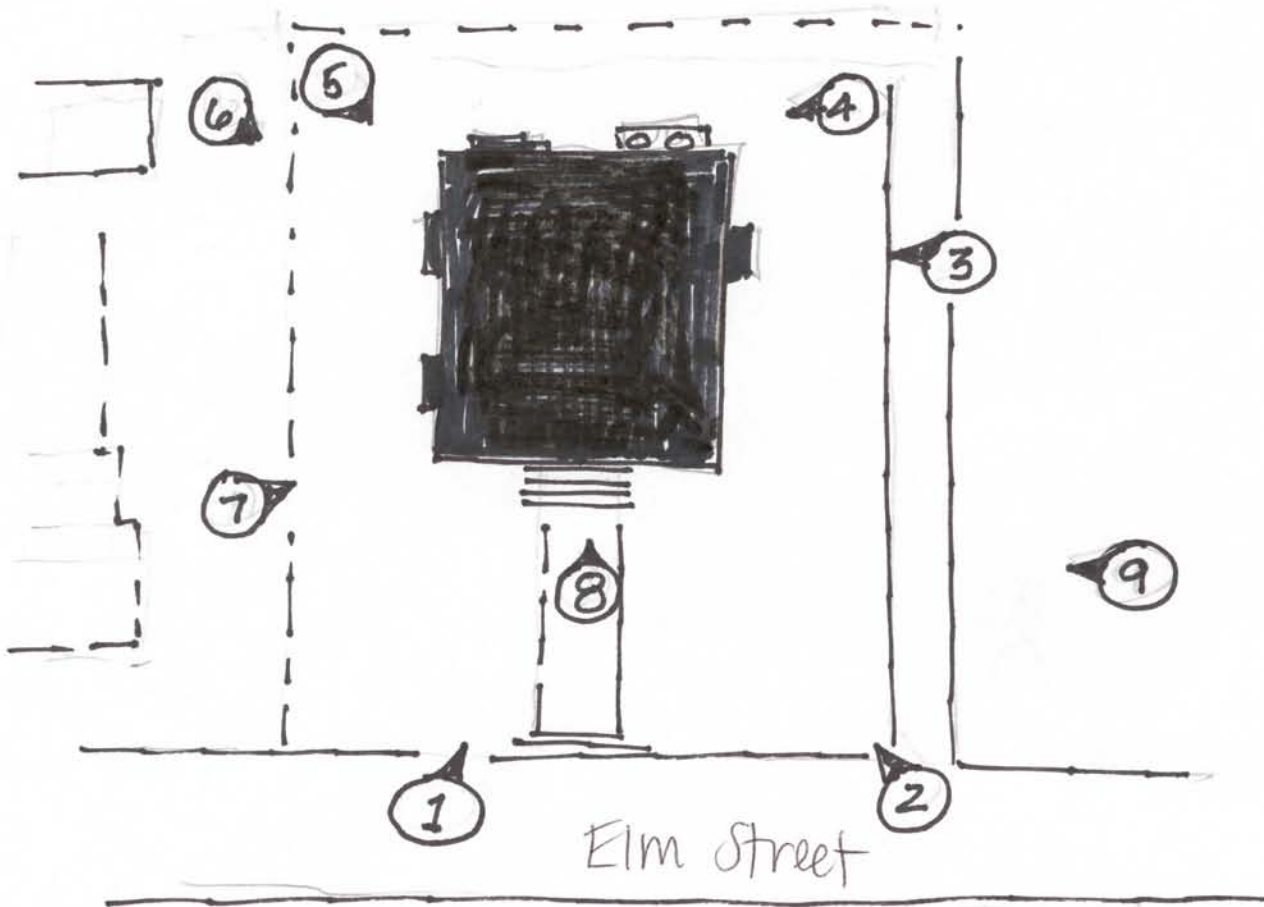
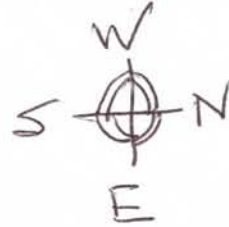


Photo Key



41. Historical Background and Role in the Town or City's Development:

Once part of Effingham, the portion of the town north of the Ossipee River was incorporated as the town of North Effingham in 1831. In 1832, North Effingham submitted a petition to the State legislature to change the name of the town to "Freedom". This petition was approved and a formal letter was sent to the town by Franklin Pierce, a future President.

Four important roads converge in the heart of Freedom, New Hampshire: Moulton Road, Cushing Corner Rd., (once Andrews Hill Road), Elm St., (once Main St.) and Old Portland Road (once Maple St., and also Porter Road). These are historic as well as modern conduits of traffic through the primarily rural residential village, but Route 25, the main artery west to Meredith and east to Portland, Maine, bypasses the town, so that unless Freedom is a destination, traffic goes around it. Just south of the town "square" on the west side of Elm Street, are situated two similar structures next to each other: the First Christian Church of Freedom, and the subject of this survey, the Freedom Town Hall

Before 1852, Freedom townspeople had conducted town business in private residences or in commercial buildings. In that year, the town appropriated \$3,000 for a new Town House. Land was purchased and a building was constructed on Moulton Road. The building was sold when the new Town Hall was built in 1889; it was later torn down (we don't know when). A private residence now stands on that property. As this story continues the terms "Town House" and "Town Hall" are used interchangeably; we hope the context makes the meaning clear.

Beginning in February, 1886, a petition on the warrant asked "to see what action the Town would take in relation to the building of a Town Hall" but at the Town Meeting it was voted to pass over the Town Hall petition. Records show that there was discussion between two groups: the Old Meeting House Party and the New Meeting House Party. There must have been a debate over the issue of whether or not to build a new structure, but further research is needed. Faded records show that in 1887 a committee was appointed for a new Town House, and in October, 1888, a warrant article for the November 1888 town meeting read "to see what method the Town will take to raise money to build a new Town House." At that November, 1888, meeting money was approved to build a new Town House (\$1,000 per year until the building was paid for) and three men were selected to be on the building committee. Members Stephen Kennison, William A. Bennett, and Jonas Farnsworth were instructed to "draw specifications for a new Town House and submit it for bids and let it by the job it in their opinion it was best" (sic) Land belonging to Mary P. Hobbs and Adeline Swett was conveyed to the town for the new Town Hall for \$400. At the March, 1889, Town Meeting, townspeople decided to sell the old Town House and to rescind the vote to allow \$1,000 per year until the building was paid for. A town meeting in August of that year was held at the "Village School House" leading one to believe that the new building had not yet been completed. But by 1890, the Town Meeting warrant asked "to see what action the town will take in regards to renting the Town Hall and paying the running expenses of the same." In March, 1890, the Town voted to raise \$2500 to run the town and voted that the Town Hall should be "rented" by the Selectmen. (The term "rented" is not explained in the town reports. It may mean that the Selectmen would have the authority to charge a fee for events requested by outside organizations.)

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On Oct. 18, 1902 the Town records show a notice to meet on November 4 (Election Day) in order to elect the Governor and other officials. An article contained in that notice asks "to see if the Town will vote to enlarge the Town Hall and to appropriate \$250 for the same." At the November 4 meeting there was a motion "to build 20 feet on the back end of the Town Hall, and to raise the sum of \$250 to make such addition, also that the Selectmen constitute a committee to make such addition." The motion was approved 50 to 48. In 1903, the Town Hall lot was enlarged. Mary P. Hobbs deeded a piece of land 12 feet wide and about 63 feet long west "of the Town Hall for \$65. The Town was instructed to build a fence "from the Northwesterly corner of the lot to the Meeting House lot". Copies of both Hobbs deeds (1888 and 1903) are included on a continuation sheet. The current lot of 60 x 135 feet is a simple rectangle surrounded by the land and house of private owners so we can assume that the Hobbs piece was absorbed into this large piece at a later time. (A tax map is attached.)

Further research into town records several years after 1903 doesn't give any more information concerning the building addition and a cursory examination of the existing building by a local surveyor didn't give an indication that it indeed had occurred. No fence exists now. Though there are stone posts on the South side, there are none at the back (west side). Any barbed wire fence or wooden fence is long gone, and it even might be true that the Town never built the fence.

Until 1983, the Selectmen's office was on the first floor of the building in a small room to the right of the main door entrance hall. The Selectmen moved after that to the "new" Town Office Building (former Freedom Village Grammar School, FRE0004). Town business was conducted in the small Selectmen's office on Monday nights from 7 to 9 pm. The Town Treasurer and the Town Clerk had regular hours, but the Tax Collector did tax business at his home in the Village. Voting continues to take place in the Town Hall first floor as it has since 1889. The annual Town Meeting is held, on the second Tuesday of March on the second floor; this too has remained the same. (On a separate sheet, I have included the recollections of the present Town Clerk who has served since 1985 in that position.)

From 1892 until 1970, when it was relocated to a new building on Old Portland Road, the Freedom Public Library was housed in a similar room on the first floor on the left side of the main door entrance hall. The Town Hall was used and continues to be used by many social and civic groups. In March of 1889, the same year that the Town Hall was built, the Freedom Grange, No. 139, "the Patrons of Husbandry" was organized with 54 members and met there until 1926 when the charter lapsed. It was one of the largest Granges ever formed in New Hampshire. In the present day, The Freedom Club of New Hampshire, founded in 1900, held its annual summer meeting there. The Freedom Community Club has a large membership which meets for monthly dinners (prepared in the kitchen) and programs on current topics such as Milfoil Prevention or Water Quality. Members' dues go in part towards academic scholarships.

The Freedom Historical Society has regular programs on historical topics from May through October for large audiences. In addition, the space is used for painting classes, beading and basket-making workshops, exercise classes for a group of developmentally disabled residents, Candidates' Nights, Old Home Week Committee meetings, and meetings of the Forest Advisory, the Planning Board and in fact, all town committees. For the past 20 years The Freedom Christian Church has annually prepared a free Thanksgiving dinner at the Town Hall for community members and guests. On the second floor, there is an even larger space where local plays used to be performed and line dancers sashayed. There are yoga classes, Old Home Week performances and shows, and overflow Library programs such as "Books Alive" during Old Home Week. It's not unusual to have three organizations using the building on one day; Old Home Week planning at 10, and later the Conservation Commission at 7 downstairs and a Yoga class upstairs at the same time. A dry-erase board in the entrance hall lists the day's schedule. The building has been updated to comply with current ADA and safety regulations and of all the buildings in Freedom it has for 125 years become our most dependable and useful resource.

42. Applicable NHDHR Historic Contexts (please list names from appendix C):

106,107,119

43. Architectural Description and Comparative Evaluation:

The Freedom Town Hall stands on Elm Street in Freedom Village next door to the Freedom First Christian Church. The two buildings have a similar structure, and make an attractive pair, though the Church was constructed in 1867 and the Town Hall not until 1889, 22 years later. The two buildings are an important part of the heart of "downtown" Freedom Village. Across the street is the Freedom Village Store, a coffee/consignment/craft/gift shop operated by volunteers. Four other buildings in the immediate area, now private residences, were in the past, a post office-general store, a bank, and two inns. At the Town Square, where four roads intersect, there is a former watering trough which is now filled with flowers in the summer and where a lit Christmas tree shines during the season. At the Square, there is also a flag pole and a sign pole with signs pointing the way and the number of miles to neighboring towns including Boston (128 miles!)

A bronze World War II Memorial, flanked by rhododendron bushes, is located on the small lawn at the right of the sidewalk leading to the Town Hall. On the left of the sidewalk is a wrought iron lamp post and nearby an enclosed information board for local announcements. There is a granite curb along the street. Both the Town Hall and the Church share the paved driveway (see Section 47, Boundary Discussion.)

In 1888, after several years of consideration of the matter, a committee was appointed to oversee the building of a new "Town House", sell the old Town House up the street, and buy the land for the new one on what is now known as Elm Street. The 1889 Town Report describes the new building as follows: *"The new Town House in process of erection is 36 x 60 feet in size; and, including the lot (\$400), costs \$3,000. On the first floor is a room for the selectmen's use, a room for cooking or other purposes, and the hall in which the town-meetings will be held. It is sheathed overhead and around the wall and four or five feet from the floor. On the second floor is a hall for special purposes, furnished with an "eleven foot" stage. The building is an ornament to the village.*

For the past 121 years, the Town Hall has indeed been an ornament to the village, and though we do not know exactly who built it, the 1888 Town Reports (p. 271) state that Stephen Kennison, Jonas Farnsworth, and William A. Bennett comprise the building committee and that "they draw plans for the Town House and submit them for bids.." Its square-ish, symmetrical shape, steeply pitched metal roof and simple lines are reminiscent of Greek Revival architecture, and the structure, a practical, inexpensive solution to the needs of the time, has proven more than adequate for various town activities. It's a wood, clapboard sided, front-gabled building painted white with dark green shutters. Classical embellishments decorate the overhang to the center double doors. Entering the carpeted center hall, before entering the first floor meeting area, one sees the original staircases on either side with curving banisters which lead to the second floor meeting room.

Town Hall Interior-

The first level, which has a plentiful supply of folding chairs and tables, has a linoleum floor and 6 supporting posts. A large supply closet on the left near the elevator contains supplies for Community Club suppers. Beyond the rear wall is a kitchen (the old "cooking room") designed with a serving window to allow for efficient service to large groups. The kitchen has its own outside entrance and a small additional ante-room for cleaning supplies. It was remodeled in 1994 and again in 2007 when new sinks and a new dishwasher were installed.

Upstairs is a second large meeting room with the original elevated stage, still used. The hard-wood floors on the second floor are in good repair. The ceiling is slightly pitched and the room is softly lit by six hanging brass chandeliers each having four globe lights. There are four ceiling fans.

The building has many features that have remained unchanged. There are original windows, wood siding, upstairs stage, upstairs wood floors, curved wood staircases, and upstairs bead-board paneling. The downstairs room has undergone the most change. In the early 20th century, paneling was added in the large meeting room on the upper half of the walls; the lower part retained the original horizontal boards. "New" ceiling, lights, and a linoleum tile floor replaced the old in the 1950s. It became clear in the late 80s and early 90s that something would have to be done to comply with regulations that allowed access to public buildings by disabled persons. When the Americans with Disabilities Act was passed in 1990, there was an effort to abandon the Town Hall and to erect another building which would be, some thought, a cheaper solution. Those who wished to study ways to improve the Town Hall prevailed and in 1992 a committee was formed, money was appropriated to hire an architect, and plans were drawn to make the required changes.

The small room where the Library was located was removed and a storage area created there. The old Selectmen's office was taken out. A rear staircase and side door exit were built; now people could exit from the south side of the building. An elevator and a handicapped accessible toilet were installed. These changes were accomplished without changing the footprint of the building. Safety concerns led to an update in 2011 of illuminated Exit signs, installation of push bars at the toilet doors, and repair to the steps outside the kitchen entrance. Sketches of the changes to the building completed in 1994 are attached in a continuation sheet.

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Town Hall Exterior-

We believe the building size remains unchanged since 1889, notwithstanding the 1902 warrant article which appropriated \$250 for the 20 foot addition in the back. (See Section 41) In 1994, a handicapped ramp was built along the front East side leading to a small deck from which one can enter through the double doors without stepping up. Wishing to preserve as much as possible the original elements of the building, the old granite steps were left and new wooden steps with a middle hand rail were constructed over them.

Town warrant articles to vinyl side the building have been twice defeated. Finally, after considerable discussion at the 2010 Town Meeting, it was voted to paint the building and the job was completed in the fall. At the March, 2012, Town Meeting \$21,000 was appropriated for energy improvements such as foam insulation under the building. Heat loss through the windows was also an issue, and there was discussion about replacing all 27. However, it was decided to preserve the original windows and the vinyl storm windows, and to repair some broken pulleys, seal air gaps, to insure proper opening and closing, and to apply film insulation each winter.

44. National or State Register Criteria Statement of Significance:

The Freedom Town Hall is an example of the New Hampshire tradition of participation in town government. From the beginnings of the town, its citizens were determined to find a central place to conduct town meetings and do town business. In addition, they thought of social activity and its importance in building a healthy and involved community, hence the kitchen and the stage, and later, the library. It is also significant as a classical piece of New England Greek Revival architecture similar to other New England public buildings: plain but imposing, useful, enduring, and easily adapted to modern uses and to modern needs.

45. Period of Significance:

1889-1963

46. Statement of Integrity:

The Freedom Town Hall, constructed in 1889, has never been moved, so retains its integrity of location. There have been changes, so integrity of design has been influenced by the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Steel interior doors, illuminated signs, "panic" bars replacing door knobs, a ramp, new steps, and an elevator have been added. However, the footprint remains the same, the original granite steps remain (although concealed by the new steps), the beautiful twin curved staircases remain, and vinyl siding has been avoided. Integrity of materials has probably been somewhat diminished, because current materials were used in adapting to the taste of the times or to comply with regulations. Integrity of workmanship can be seen in the simple design of the place and the fact that after 125 years the place is as sturdy and level as it was when first built. The craftsmanship of the builders of the 19th century is plainly seen in this structure. In addition, the Town Hall is in a historic rural setting associated with the development of the almost pure democracy of the New England town meeting. It is an example of New England Town government which continues unchanged in Freedom especially each year in March when that Town Meeting convenes. The sense of history the Town Hall evokes in all who go there for any event more than assure its integrity of feeling.

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47. Boundary Discussion:

We know that the town Hall lot was enlarged in 1903 as shown by the Hobbs deed of that year. However, the present lot is only .15 acre on the west side of Elm Street and is bordered on the North by the Freedom Christian Church. On the south are several tall pines, a private driveway and then a residence. Directly to the west arises a steep hill so access from that direction is not possible. On the east side is the road. We can assume that at some time the 12 x 60 foot piece of land was sold. An attached map shows the lot in relation to the surrounding properties. The Church owns the driveway between it and the Town Hall, but the Town has the right of way.

Surveyor's Evaluation:

NR listed: individual _____
within district _____

Integrity: yes _____
no _____

NR eligible: individual _____
within district _____
not eligible _____
more info needed _____

NR Criteria: A _____
B _____
C _____
D _____
E _____

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copies courtesy of Alan Fall)

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Date photos taken



Photo # 2 Description: Town Hall #3074
Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: Freedom Town Hall Exterior Direction: East



Photo # 3 Description: Town Hall exterior
Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: #3075.jpg Direction: North

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Date photos taken: March, 2013



Photo # 4 Description: West - Rear Oil tank + propane tanks
 Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: Town Hall exterior 3076 Direction: West



Photo # 5 Description: March Hill main building
 Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: Town Hall exterior # 3080 Direction: West

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Date photos taken March, 2013



Photo # 6 Description: South side entrance / exits
Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: Town Hall exterior 3082 Direction: South



Photo # 7 Description: Town Hall, church
Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: Town Hall exterior # 3072 Direction: East

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NHDHR INVENTORY # FRE004

Date photos taken: March 2013 and Oct. 2013



Photo # 8 Description: front double doors, wooden steps built over original granite steps
Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: Direction: East



Photo # 9 Description: facing south, HC ramp, adjacent homes
Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: Direction: buildings front East

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Date photos taken: Sept., 2013



Photo # 10 Description: double door entry, right staircase

Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name:

#3361



Photo # 11 Description: left staircase

Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: Town Hall interior

Direction: South

#3367

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Date photos taken: Sept., 2013



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Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name:

#3361



Photo # 11 Description: left staircase

Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: Town Hall interior

Direction: South

#3367

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NHDHR INVENTORY # PRE0004

Date photo Oct. 2013



Photo # 12 Description: 1st floor meeting room facing front
Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: Town Hall interior #13358 Direction: east



Photo # 13 Description: 1st floor meeting room, facing rear
Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: Town Hall interior #3359 Direction: west

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Date photo

Sent Oct 2012



Photo # 14 Description: 1st floor kitchen rear
Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: #3360 Townhall Interior Direction: West west



Photo # 15 Description: Second floor facing front
Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: #3366 Townhall Interior Direction: east

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Date photos taken: Oct., 2013



Photo # 16 Description: Second floor facing rear
Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: town hall interior Direction: west

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Photo # 17 Description: Second floor ceiling, north facing windows
Roll and Frame # OR Digital file name: Direction: northeast

3369 Town Hall Interior

Know All Men by These Presents,

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That We Adaline Swett^{and} Mary P. Hobbs both of Freedom
Carroll County, New Hampshire.

and
for and in consideration of the sum of Four Hundred Dollars,
to us in hand before the delivery hereof, well and truly paid by the Town of Freedom, in the
County of Carroll, State of New Hampshire

the receipt whereof We do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained and sold; and by these presents do give, grant, bargain, sell
alien, enfeoff, convey and confirm unto the said Town of Freedom
heirs and assigns forever. A certain lot or parcel of land, situated in
said Freedom, and bounded as follows, viz:
commencing at a stone set in the ground, on the West
side of the highway leading from Freedom Village to
Eppingham Falls, and being the southerly corner of the
Christian Society's Meeting House lot. Thence on the
southerly side line of said Meeting House lot: Westly about
one hundred and seven feet; to a stone set in the ground,
thence southerly, about sixty three feet to another stone set in
the ground. Thence Easterly about one hundred and seven
feet to another stone set in the ground, on said Highway,
thence Northerly on said highway to first mentioned bounds,
containing our sixths of an acre more or less.
Said Town of Freedom shall build and support a good
substantial fence on the south line of said lot, between said
lot and our land from the highway to the town house where
built-thirson. Also from the northwesterly corner of said
house to the Meeting house lot;

To Have and to Hold the said granted premises, with all the privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging, to the
said Town of Freedom and their heirs and assigns to them and their
only proper use and benefit forever. And we the said Adaline Swett^{and} Mary P. Hobbs and our heirs,
executors and administrators, do hereby covenant, grant and agree to and with the said Town of Freedom
and their heirs and assigns that until the delivery hereof we are the lawful owners of the said
premises, and are seized and possessed thereof in our own right in fee simple, and have full power and lawful authority to grant and
convey the same in manner aforesaid, that the premises are free and clear from all and every incumbrance whatsoever; and that we
and our heirs, executors and administrators, shall and will warrant and defend the same to the said
Town of Freedom and their heirs and assigns, against the lawful claims and demands of any person
or persons whatsoever.

And I,
in consideration aforesaid, do hereby relinquish my right of Dower in the before mentioned premises.
And we and each of us do hereby release, discharge and waive all our rights of exemption from attachment and levy, or sale on execution, and such other rights
whichever in said premises, and in each and every part thereof, as our Family Homestead, as are reserved or reserved to us or either of us by the Statute of the State
of New Hampshire, passed JULY 4, 1831, entitled "AN ACT to exempt the homestead from attachment and levy or sale on execution," or by any other change or
statute of said state.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE have hereunto set our hand, and seal; this twenty eighth day of
November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and 1858.

Signed Sealed and Delivered in presence of us,
George J. Philbrick
A. M. Hobbs,

Adaline Swett,
Mary P. Hobbs.

Seal
Seal

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Know all Men by these Presents.

That I, Mary P. Hobbs of Freedom, County of Carroll,
State of New Hampshire,

and ~~my~~ ^{wife of the said}
for and in consideration of the sum of sixty five dollars.

to me in hand before the delivery hereof well and truly paid by the Town of Freedom
in the County of Carroll, State of New Hampshire.

the receipt whereof I do hereby acknowledge, have granted, bargained and sold, and by these presents
do give, grant, bargain, sell, alien, enfeoff, convey and confirm unto the said

Town of Freedom, its ~~heirs and assigns~~ forever,

A certain lot or parcel of land situated in said Freedom,
and bounded as follows, viz: Commencing at a stone set
in the ground on the North West corner of the Town House lot
on the West side of the highway leading from Freedom
Village to Eppingham Falls, and running a Westerly course twelve
feet from said stone to be a straight line with the Westerly
line of said Town House lot. Thence a Southerly course
about sixty three feet parallel with the West line of
said Town House lot. Thence an Easterly course to the
stone set in the ground as the South West corner of
said Town House lot. Meaning to convey a piece of land
twelve feet wide and about sixty three feet long
West of Town Hall lot, and same is intended to enlarge
said Town Hall lot, and said Town is to support a fence
from the North westerly corner of said lot to the Meeting
House lot.

To have and to hold the said granted premises, with all the privileges and appurtenances to the same
belonging ~~to them~~ the said Grantor and their heirs and assigns

~~to them~~ and their only proper use and benefit forever. And I the said Grantor

and my heirs, executors and administrators, do hereby covenant, grant and agree to and with the said
Grantor and their heirs and assigns that until the delivery hereof I am the

lawful owner of the said premises, and am seized and possessed thereof in my own right in fee simple
and have power and lawful authority to grant and convey the same in manner aforesaid, that the premises

are free and clear from all and every incumbrance whatsoever; and that I and my heirs, executors and
administrators, shall and will warrant and defend the same to the said Grantor

and their heirs and assigns, against the lawful claims and demands of any person or persons whomsoever.

And I, ~~my~~ ^{wife of the said}

~~in~~ consideration aforesaid, do hereby relinquish my right of Dower in the before mentioned premises.

And we and each of us do hereby release, discharge and waive all such rights of exemption from attachment and levy, or sale on
execution, and such other rights whatsoever in said premises, and in each and every part thereof, as our Family Homestead, as are reserved

- ① Take out all HOT AIR HEATING, BOILER AND SERVICES.
- ② REPLACE ALL LIGHTING IN CEILING.
- ③ PUT IN NEW CEILING.
- ④ PUT IN NEW PARTITION ON WALLS.
- ⑤ REMOVE EXISTING PLUMBING WITH YIELD.
- ⑥ Remove sofa from old SELECTION'S OFFICE TO BOTTOM OF NEW STAIR CASE ROOM.
- ⑦ TAKE DOWN PARTITION OF OLD SELECTION'S OFFICE, OLD PRIVATE ROOM & OLD TOILET CREEPY OFFICE & REMOVE LITERARY.
- ⑧ DISTRICT NEW RESTROOM AND PROVIDE STORAGE AREA UNDER NEW STAIRCASE TO 2ND FLOOR.
- ⑨ BUILD NEW FURNISH ROOM WITH NEW DISPOSITIONS HOT WATER SYSTEM.
- ⑩ REMOVE UNDERGROUND AIR TUNNEL AND BUILD A CONCRETE BASE FOR ABOVE MOUND TOP.
- ⑪ REMOVE NEW GUEST TO VISITOR CEILING IN OLD SELECTION'S OFFICE.
- ⑫ REMOVE FLOOR HOT AIR HEATING.
- ⑬ SHOOTLE NEW HANDICAP BATHROOM.
- ⑭ REMOVE OLD 2ND BATHROOM TO MAKE ROOM FOR THE STAIR CASE FROM 2ND FLOOR.
- ⑮ DISTRICT NEW BUILT UP BRIT AIRLINE THROUGHOUT THE BUILDING.
- ⑯ BUILD NEW RECEPTION AT BACK OF BLDG FROM 2ND FLOOR.
- ⑰ BUILD NEW SUIT ON LEFT SIDE OF THE BLDG FOR NEW STAIRCASE FROM 2ND FLOOR.
- ⑱ BUILD NEW HANDICAP WALKWAY AT FRONT SIDE TO PREVIOUSLY MADE OVER THE CONCRETE RIDGES TO THE OTHER.
- ⑲ INSTALL NEW HAND RAILS TO THE STREET IN FRONT OF TOWN HOUSE.
- ⑳ EXPAND HANDICAP WALKWAY TO THE STREET.
- ㉑ PUT LIGHTS ON 1st FLOOR ON ALL WALLS.
- ㉒ PURCHASE NEW ALUMINUM WIRE EQUIPMENT.
- ㉓ PURCHASE NEW SAFETY GEAR FOR THE BUILDING & FRONT OFFICE.
- ㉔ SHOOT ALL FIRE & SAFETY GEAR UNDER THE FLOORING IN FRONT OFFICE.
- ㉕ REPAIR THE STAIRS IN THE FRONT HALL AND REPAIR FLOOR.
- ㉖ REPAIR THE STAIRS OF THE TOWN HOUSE.
- ㉗ REMOVE NEW RAMP AND MAT IN FRONT OFFICE.
- ㉘ REMOVE NEW SUIT 107,000 VS 450,000 FOR SCHOOL GYM. THE GYM WAS OPERATED A COUPLE OF YEARS AFTER THIS PROJECT WAS COMPLETED.
- ㉙ THE FOLLOWING YEAR WE GOT APPROVED A LOAN FOR 20,000 TO FINISH UP THE JOB WHICH INCLUDES REPAIRING THE KITCHEN AND PAINTING THE INSIDE OF THE BUILDING. WE RECOMMENDED TRAIL WORKING FOR 20,000 BUT THE ARTIST OFFERED FOR PAINTING FOR 10,000, WE GAVE ANOTHER PRICE FOR THE BLDG 2 MORE YEARS, THE LAST YEAR COST OVER 20,000.

2ND FLOOR

- ① BUILD A ROOM TO STORE THE ELEVATOR AND THE NEW 2ND FLOOR STAIRS, IT WAS BUILT IN THE FRONT LEFT HAND CORNER OF THE 2ND FLOOR.
- ② PAINT THE CEILING AND WALLS AND REPAIR THE FLOOR, LAY THE MAIN FLOOR AND THE HANDICAP STAIRS IN FRONT OF BUILDING.
- ③ BEEN REPAIRED THE STAIRS TO ALLOW FOR NEW STAIRS AT THE BACK OF THE BLDG.
- ④ INSTALL AN INFLOR CANON IN ORDER TO ALLOW VIEWING THE BUILDING ON THE 1st FLOOR IF YOU HAVE AN ELEVATOR CANON.
- ⑤ REPAIR THE LOBBY SPEAKERS SYSTEM REPAIRS.
- ⑥ REMOVE THE FIRE ESCAPE ON THE BACK RIGHT SIDE OF BLDG. REPAIR THE FIRE ESCAPE AND ADD A WINDOW.

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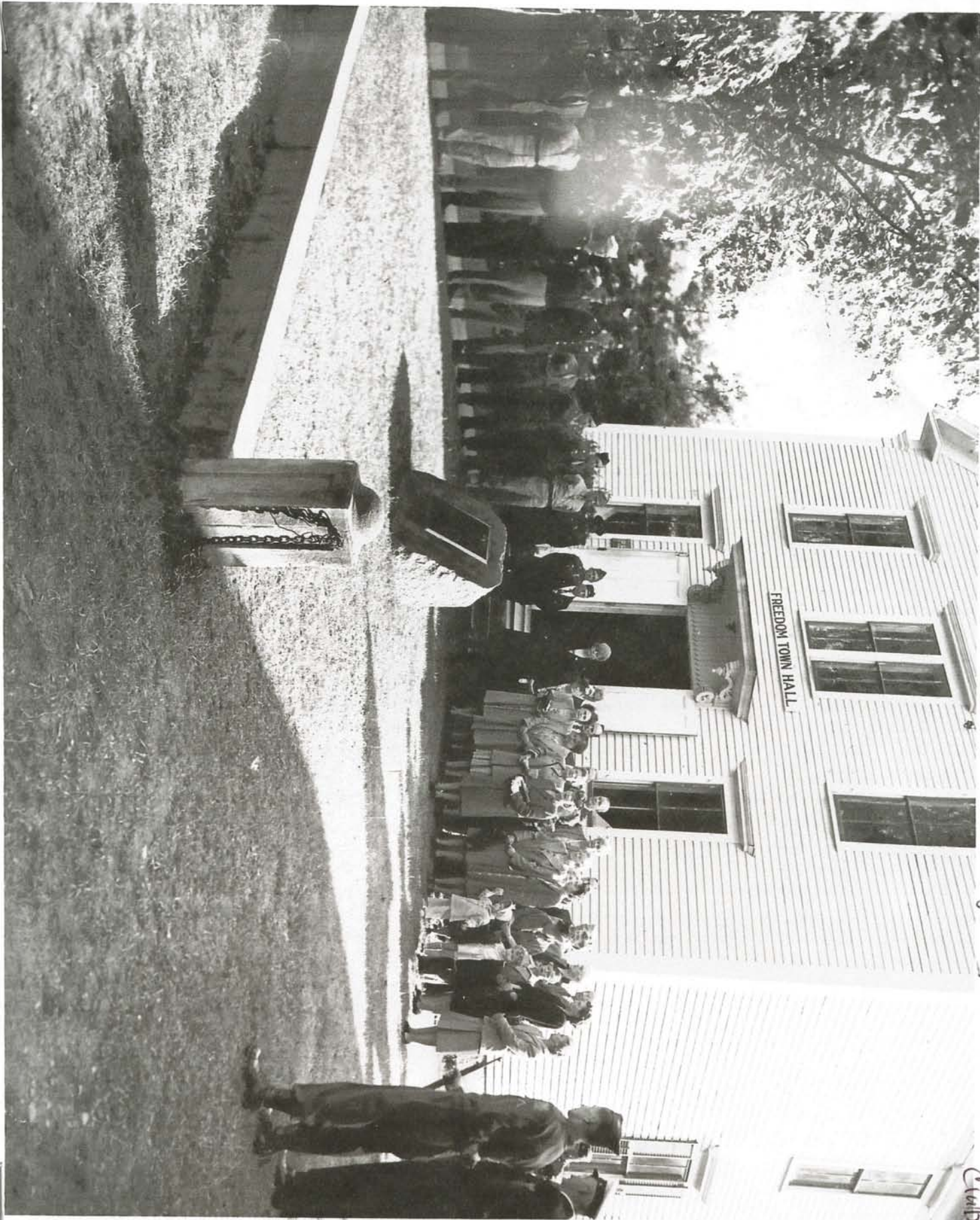
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Freedom Town Hall, May 31, 1947 - Dedication of WWII memorial plaque by Freedom Community Club



Town Hall Circa late 1930s

- Note sign "Public Library"
- Library was located in small room left of entrance until 1970.

1ST FLOOR AFTER RENOV. - S (1997) 25 of 25
FREEDY PA 927

NEED HOT WATER
OIL FURNACE
ADDITION

COACASTE
OIL TANK
CONDENSER

REAR STAIR
CASE EXIT
FIRST 2ND FLOOR

CLIPSET
Pipes
600
600
600

1ST
& 2ND
FLOOR
EXIT

BATH
ROOM

HANDICAP
BATH
ROOM

CLOSET

KITCHEN

Windows

1ST
FLOOR
EXIT

VOIDING
BEHIND

STAIRS
TO 2ND
FLOOR

UP STAIRS
EXIT

LARGE
SAFETY
ELEVATOR
TO 2ND FL

STORAGE
AREA

CHIMNEY

CHAIR STORAGE
AREA

STORAGE

STAIRS
DOWN
TO 2ND FLOOR

EXIT

HANDICAP RAMP TO DRIVEWAY

STAIRS
TO 2ND
FLOOR

THIS POST WAS
MISSING - HAD TO
GO TO A SAW MILL &
MATCH THE OTHER
POSTS.

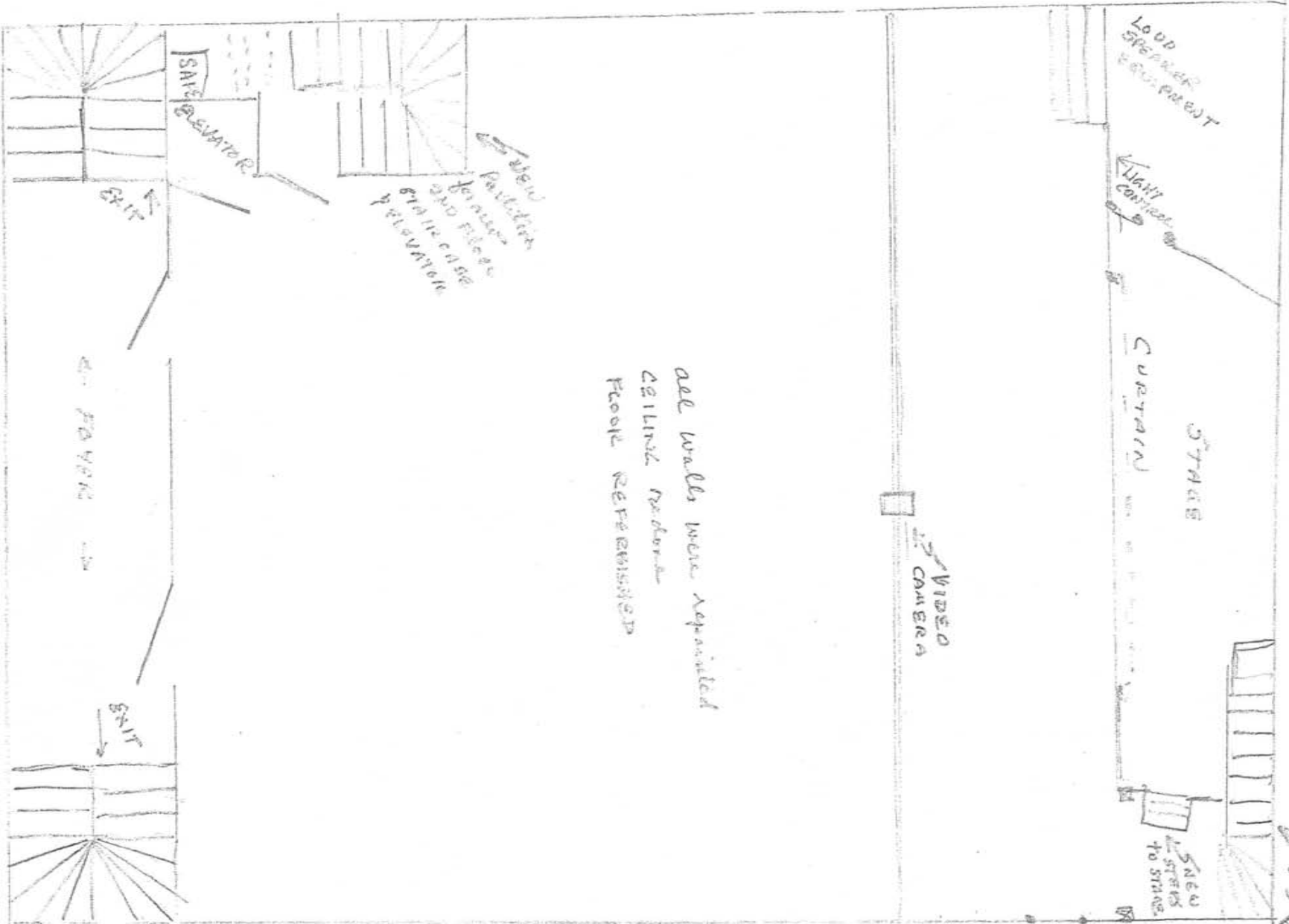
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3RD FLOOR RECONSTRUCTION

25A 4/25
PASS

NEW STAIRS FROM 2ND FLOOR



ALL WALLS WERE REPAINTED
CEILING REPAIRED
FLOOR REFINISHED

OLD BENCHES TO BE REMOVED IN PLACE OF CHAIR
FIRE CHAIR

ADD TO SCALE

END STAIRS