

Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System

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Inventory No:	SBR.337
Historic Name:	
Common Name:	
Address:	217 Cordaville Rd
City/Town:	Southborough
Village/Neighborhood:	
Local No:	14-3
Year Constructed:	c 1920
Architect(s):	
Architectural Style(s):	Colonial Revival; Four-square
Use(s):	Single Family Dwelling House
Significance:	Architecture
Area(s):	
Designation(s):	
Building Materials(s):	Roof: Asphalt Shingle Wall: Vinyl Siding; Wood; Glass Foundation: Concrete Cinderblock



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FORM B – BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

14-3 Marlboro 337

Town SOUTHBOROUGH

Place (neighborhood or village)



Address 217 Cordaville Road

Common Name unknown

Present residential

Original residential

Construction ca. 1920

Visual

Form Four Square

Architect/Builder unknown

Primary Material:

Foundation concrete block

Wall/Trim vinyl siding/some wood trim

Roof asphalt

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures attached 2-car garage

Major Alterations (with dates) Side ell with porch connecting house and garage, vinyl siding - mid to late 1900s.

Condition fair

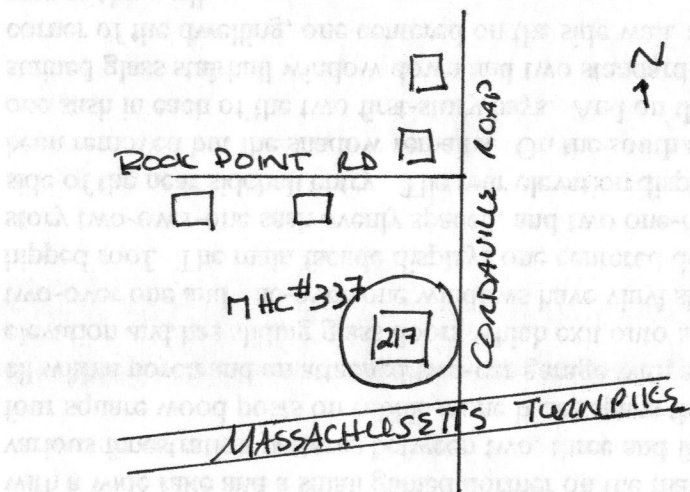
Moved ☒ no ☐ yes Date n/a

Acreage one acre

Setting - Main north-south route connecting Cordaville and Southborough Center. Next to turnpike and next to 1960s split level houses and 1960s cape and ranch subdivision. Flat lot with tall coniferous at sides and rear to screen turnpike.

Sketch Map

Draw a map showing the building's location in relation to the nearest cross streets and/or major natural features. Show all buildings between inventoried building and nearest intersection or natural feature. Label streets including route numbers, if any. Circle and number the inventoried building. Indicate north.



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Organization Southborough Historical Commission

Date (month/year) 2/00

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Follow Massachusetts Historical Commission Survey Manual instructions for completing this form.

BUILDING FORM**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION**☐ see continuation sheet*Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.*

Two stories high set on a rough faced concrete block foundation this square house has a shallow hipped roof with a wide rake and a small gabled dormer on the main facade. The house is two bays wide and two deep with various fenestration patterns between two, three and four bays. A full width hipped roof porch supported by four square wood posts on rubble stone bases spans the main facade. On the north side there is a one-story side ell with a porch and an attached two-car garage with a single overhead door. This side ell wraps to the rear elevation and has sliding glass doors which exit onto a deck. The house has been covered with vinyl siding and two-over one and one-over-one windows have vinyl shutters. One chimney extends behind the apex of the hipped roof. The main facade displays one centered dormer with two small four-light windows, two second-story two-over-one sash evenly spaced, and two one-over-one sashed windows set close together on the south side of the near sidehall entry. The rear elevation displays three evenly spaced second-story windows, one having been removed but the shadow remains. On the south side there are two single windows up and paired two-over-one sash in each of the two first-story bays. And on the north side, first story windows are limited to the square stained glass stairhall window down and two standard second-story windows, one nearly against the northeast corner of the dwelling, one centered on the side wall, and a third small modern one-over-one window near the rear of this wall.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE☐ see continuation sheet*Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.*

From the mid 1800s there were scattered farmsteads along Cordaville Road, the major north-south corridor connecting the Southborough Center with Cordaville, once that village expanded in the 1840s. This dwelling is one of a few early twentieth century dwellings constructed along the then rural route as part of the expansion beyond the villages. The house is commodious but not elaborate. It is an example of 1920s middle class expansion common in most surrounding towns. Several houses of similar form are found in and around Cordaville.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES☐ see continuation sheetGowan, Alan. The Comfortable House. 1986.Stevenson, Katherine Cole. Houses By Mail. 1986.

☐ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. *If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*