Michigan SHPO Architectural Properties Identification Form

Property Overview and Location

Street Address	21 Clarkston Road				
City/Township, State, Zip Code	Clarkston, Michigan 48346				
County	Oakland				
Assessor's Parcel #	14-08-20-252-054				
Latitude/Longitude (to the 6th decimal point)	Lat: 42.740240	Long: -83.417800			
Ownership	Private ☒	Public-Local ☐	Public-State ☐	Public-Federal ☐	Multiple ☐

Property Type

(Insert primary photograph below.)

Building ☒ select sub-type below Commercial ☐ Residential ☒ Industrial ☐ Other ☐	Structure ☐ Object ☐



Architectural Information

Construction Date	c 1889	
Architectural Style	Queen Anne	
Building Form	Irregular	
Roof Form	Side Gable	
Roof Materials	Asphalt Shingles	
Exterior Wall Materials	Aluminum/Vinyl Siding	
Foundation Materials	Fieldstone/Concrete Blocks	
Window Materials	Aluminum /Wood	
Window Type	Double Hung	
Outbuildings	Yes ☒	No ☐
Number/Type:	1/Garage	

Eligibility

Individually Eligible	Criterion A ☐	Criterion B ☐	Criterion C ☐	Criterion D ☐
Criteria Considerations:	a. ☐ b. ☐ c. ☐ d. ☐ e. ☐ f. ☐ g. ☐			
Component of a Historic District	Contributing to a district ☒	Non-contributing to a district ☐	Historic District Name:	Clarkston Historic District
Not Eligible ☐				

Area(s) of Significance	Domestic Architecture and Physical Location						
Period(s) of Significance	1832 - 1970						
Integrity – Does the property possess integrity in all or some of the 7 aspects?							
Location ☒	Design ☒	Materials ☒	Workmanship ☒	Setting ☒	Feeling ☐	Association ☐	
General Integrity:	Intact ☒	Altered ☐	Moved ☐	Date(s):			
Historic Name	None						
Current/Common Name	Herbert Harthun Living Trust						
Historic/Original Owner	Crosby, A. J.						
Historic Building Use	Single Family						
Current Building Use	Single Family						
Architect/Engineer/Designer	Unknown						
Builder/Contractor	Unknown						

Survey Date	11/10/2021	Recorded By	Nancy Moon	Agency Report #	

For SHPO Use Only	SHPO Concurrence?: Y / N	Date:

Narrative Architectural Description

Provide a detailed description of the property, including all character defining features and any accessory resources.

This structure located at 21 Clarkston Road sits on the north side of the street and is the only house on Clarkston Road within the Clarkston Historic District. The house sits back from the street with three steps leading from the street level to the walkway to the house. At the bottom of the steps (street level) is a grist mill stone reclaimed from Clarkston Mills when it was demolished in January 1917.

There is a fieldstone retaining wall along the driveway on the east side of the house and in front of the house along the street (Clarkston Road – south elevation). A fieldstone pillar stands at the intersection of these retaining walls and is thought to be fieldstone similar to that used in the grist mill in the Village of Clarkston – Clarkston Mills built in 1839.





The house has a two-story portion on the west end that most likely is the original portion of the house. A tall

painted white brick chimney is visible at the peak of the side gable on the east elevation. The second floor has two double hung windows four over one each with black shutters, one on each side of the south elevation.



(south elevation)

The front entrance on the south elevation has a high-pitched gable roof with fish scale siding and two simple square columns one on each side of the porch with two steps to the landing. The front door has a storm door and then a wood door with three-by-three glass panel. On each side of the porch is a grouping of three windows six over six double hung each group with a black window box.

The east end of the south elevation is a one-story addition with a bay of four casement windows each with muntins to create eight panes.


(east elevation)

The east elevation on the south end has a low-pitched roof with a entrance and one window. Entrance to the door is from a semi-circle cement patio and single step to a storm door and an inside door with three by five panes. The window (six over six double hung) is next to the addition of a screened-in porch with aluminum panels for siding. The screened-in room has a flat roof and three pairs of sliding screen windows.

On the east elevation on the north side of the original house the side gable has fish scale siding and one double hung window (four over four). The multi-story painted white brick chimney is visible. There are no windows in the east elevation of the two-story addition to the north elevation.

The north elevation of the original house has a two-story addition with a side gable. There are two windows (one over one double hung) on the second floor each with black shutters with similar windows directly below on the first floor. At the intersection of this two-story addition and the screened-in room is a slanted roof connecting the two additions with an entrance. There is a single step to a concrete landing leading to a door and storm door with a small black canopy.

On the north elevation, the screened-in room (aluminum exterior) has two pairs of tall slender screened windows on each side of the door.


(north elevation)

The west elevation of the original house side gable has fish scale siding and a pair of one over one double hung windows on the second level. The first floor has two windows four over four double hung with a fish scale kick plate. The addition at the north has a one over one double hung window on each floor with a buildout at the corner of the west and north elevations.



(west elevation)


(west elevation - window)

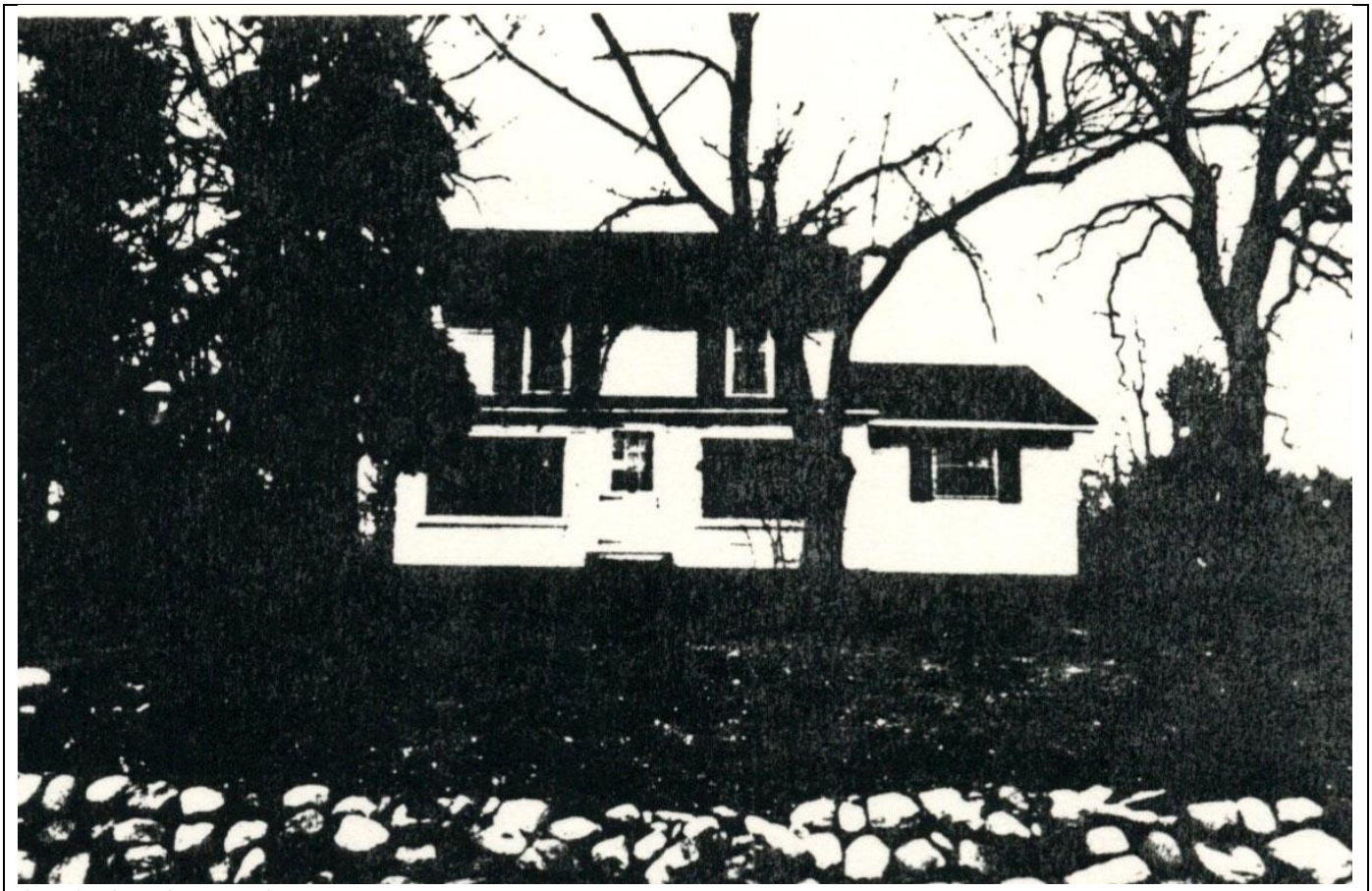
History of the Resource

Provide information on previous owners, land use, construction and alteration dates in a narrative format. <u>This is required for all intensive level surveys and designation and recommended for other identification efforts</u>.

The Village of Clarkston 1872 map does not indicate a building on this property. However, by 1889 the property tax records indicate a significantly higher tax rate indicating a structure was built. A. J. Crosby owned the property at the time. The 1906 Village of Clarkston map indicates the property was owned by Edwin Jefferson. In 1917 the structure was owned by Alton B. Wompole, one of Clarkston's residents that registered the King-Wompole Plat as an addition to the existing areas of the Village of Clarkston in the 1920s. Mr. Wompole was known for planting a persimmon tree in his yard in 1929.The Egyptian persimmon tree bloomed for many years.

In 1964 the ownership went from G. A. Chamberlain to R.E. Cooper. H. L. Schroeder sold the house to Herbert and Alma Harthun, in 1967. Herbert served in the Pacific as a bomber mechanic Sergeant US Army Air Forces during World War II. Herbert worked for C&I Auto Parts for many years and retired in 1988. Alma served on the Board of Directors for the Independence Center started in 1972 as a non-profit organization to serve the needs of the people in Independence Township. Alma worked for Oakland County for many years and retired in 1996.

The structure has been modified several times. A kitchen was added in 1891. In 1905 a bedroom was added, a bathroom in 1916, and the front porch in 1917. The kitchen was rebuilt in 1962. The east elevation was remodeled in the 1990s when the windows were replaced on the first story and the front entrance (south elevation) gable roof and supporting columns were added. During the same time the aluminum screened in room was added to the northeast corner



(south elevation 1979)



(south elevation c 1990)

Statement of Significance/Recommendation of Eligibility

Provide a detailed explanation of the property's eligibility for the National Register, including an evaluation under at least one of the four criteria, discussion of the seven aspects of integrity, and recommendations about eligibility. This is required for all properties.

The structure was the home of A.B. Wompole who was one of the residents to annex the King-Wompole plat o to the Village of Clarkston. The house represents the King-Wompole plat in the Clarkston Historic District. The structure still retains many of its original features and continues to contribute to the historic district.

References

List references used to research and evaluate the individual property.

(1) Village of Clarkston Maps – 1872 and 1906;
(2) Research done using the grant funding obtained by Mollie Lynch, Library Director 1991 – 2005 and researched by Susan K. Basinger;
(3) *Clarkston News 1973 October 4 article* "Food Co-op ready to go";
(4) *Clarkston News 1937 July 2 article* "A Persimmon Tree Grows in Clarkston";
(5) *Clarkston News 2014 July 9 article* "Honoring their service";
(6) *Clarkston News 1973 January 18 community news;*
(7) Survey report dated March 15, 1979;
(8) Information from the current owner Alma Harthun.