Michigan SHPO Architectural Properties Identification Form

Property Overview and Location

Street Address	42 North Main Street				
City/Township, State, Zip Code	Clarkston, Michigan 48346				
County	Oakland				
Assessor's Parcel #	14-08-20-402-026				
Latitude/Longitude (to the 6th decimal point)	Lat 42.737090	Long: -83.418690			
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.1871
Architectural Style	Vernacular
Building Form	Irregular
Roof Form	Front Gable
Roof Materials	Asphalt Shingles
Exterior Wall Materials	Clapboard
Foundation Materials	Fieldstone
Window Materials	Wood
Window Type	Double Hung
Outbuildings	Yes ☒ No ☐
Number/Type:	2/Garage & "Chicken House"

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 Historic Community Connection						
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	Dr. Goodenough House						
Current/Common Name	Stricklin, Brad and Carey						
Historic/Original Owner	Goodenough, Josephus and Eleanor						
Historic Building Use	Single Family and Physician Office						
Current Building Use	Single Family						
Architect/Engineer/Designer	Unknown						
Builder/Contractor	Unknown						

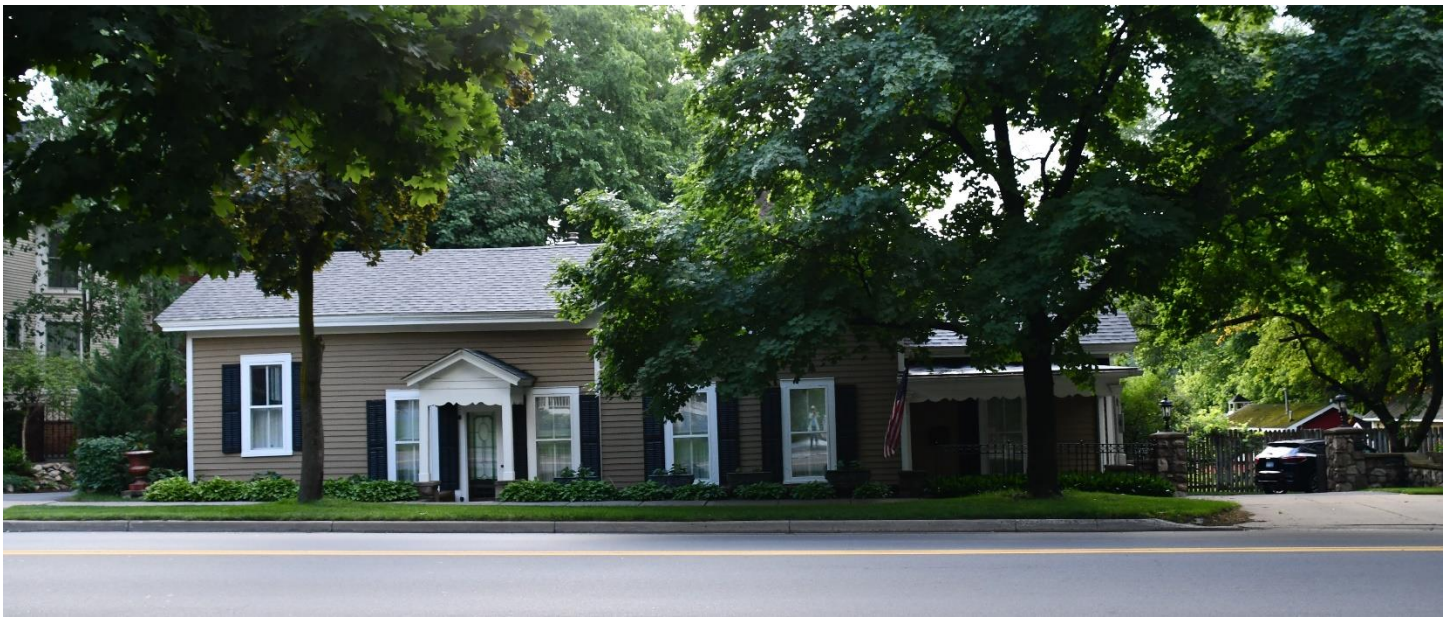
Survey Date	September 11, 2020	Recorded By	Nancy Moon	Agency Report #	

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.

The 1872 village map identifies a rectangular building parallel to the street. This structure was the beginning of the vernacular style house now sitting one foot off sidewalk and below the grade due to past road widenings and paving through the years. The one and one-half story house sits on the north side of the overflow from Clinton River Watershed Lower Mill Pond to Parke Lake.



(west elevarion)



(southwest elevation)



(west elevation window in gable peak)



(west elevation – front door)



(southwest elevation)

Within the front gable near the roofline is a false window with nine lites (three by three) with a hood mold covering an antique lantern light on the second floor. This window has dark colored shutters and sits on a base with decorative braces. There are two evenly spaced double hung two over two windows on the first floor both with black shutters. There are two single door porches – one opens directly on the front (west) elevation center of the front of the house) and the second on the west elevation opens from the south in a small, roofed insert porch. The front porch (west elevation) has square pillars sitting on a fieldstone wall along the sidewalk, connected to a scalloped wooden gabled roof with a step down to the wooden front door with clear and green leaded glass. The second porch has three wooden pillars, two connected to a fieldstone pillar on the west and the second connected to the porch landing on the south elevation. All three pillars have a decorative square capital connected to a scalloped wood trim on a low pitch roof enclosing a wooden door with twelve lites (three small across the top and bottom and two rows of two in the middle) on the south elevation and a double hung window with black shutters.

On the north end of the west elevation there is a slightly larger two over two double hung window on the first floor.



(northwest elevation)

The side gable on the north elevation has two, two over two double hung windows on the first floor. The extension toward the east elevation has two windows; both windows are two over two double hung with the window toward the middle smaller in size.



(southwest elevation)

The vernacular style structure has a distinctive fieldstone chimney on the south elevation with a double hung window (two over two) with black shutters just west of the chimney. The addition on the east elevation (south end) has one double hung window (one over one) with black shutters.

Flower box topped fieldstone wall along the street (west) enclosing the semicircle drive adds to the serenity of the property.



(west elevation – looking north)



(south elevation driveway with garage in background)



(back yard – east elevation)

An aged Camperdown Elm stands between the house and Parke Lake.



(north elevation - chicken house – southeast corner of the property)

The “Chicken House” stands along the Clinton River Watershed Lower Mill Race (the stream that connects the overflow from Clinton River Watershed Lower Mill Pond to Parke Lake) on the south section of the property and behind the garage. It was restored by the Weiss family into an office; now it is used as a guesthouse. It has been referred to as the “Chicken House” for many years; this have been the original usage.

History of the Resource

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



(c 1880 – northwest elevation)
Photo Left to Right Dr. Goodenough, Mrs. Goodenough, Eleanor Goodenough (wife of Henry Garter). Henry Garter and family lived in the house in 1880.

The 1872 map of the Village of Clarkston notes three buildings outlined on the north bank of the Mill Race. A rectangular building parallel to the street labelled N. B. Smith most likely became the residence/office of Josephus and Eleanor Goodenough. Dr. Goodenough was listed in the tax records as of 1877. He built a charming one-story house to accommodate his family and medical practice. The rooms at the north end of the house served as his office. Dr. Goodenough spent four years of "reading medicine" with Dr. Bostick of Armada, Michigan and then spent two years studying at Eclectic Medical College in Cincinnati. In the fall of 1871, he moved to Clarkston. Dr. Goodenough was apparently a sympathetic physician and accepted payment in the form of chickens, produce, and firewood. In 1902, Dr. Goodenough published a book entitled "Favorite Receipt Book and Home Doctor" published by Dickerson Publishing Company of Detroit. When Dr. Goodenough died in 1935 the house passed to his son-in-law Henry Garter. Mr. Garter was successful in real estate and sold the house to Robert W. Dick via a land contract.



(date unknown – northwest elevation)

Two rectangular buildings south of the house in the 1872 map were labelled Cooper Shop J. Millard. Jesse Millard was one of two-barrel makers in the Village. By the1896 map, the outbuildings were labeled Lewis & Bower. The tax records of 1908 listed Jasper Linabury who operated a livery stable. He carried the first rural mail and had a coach route from the Clarkston Depot to the Village. He died on February 26, 1946, as one of the oldest residents of Clarkston. He was born in Independence Township and spent his entire life in Clarkston. There are two stone posts along the Mill Race that are believed to be constructed from portions of these buildings.



(1989 southwest elevation)

In August 1964, Lyle Richard and Marilyn Weiss purchased the property at 42 North Main Street from Robert W. Dick, by land contract, and Grace E. Bryant (formerly Grace E. Garter, the deed holder). At the time the property included the house and a garage and shed along the Mill Race. The shed (known as the “Chicken House”) was rebuilt in 1965. In the 1980s additions, a family room was added at the back of the house (east elevation); the kitchen was enlarged by converting a screened in porch. Mr. Weiss built a bar in the family room from two upright pianos with a mural behind the bar painted by the artist Robert Dick (prior owner of the house).



Photo c. 1964 Dick Weiss - the Chicken House/business office of Weiss Haven Associates.

Brad and Carey Stricklin took ownership of the property in 1999 from her grandparents Richard and Marilyn Weiss.



(2017 – west elevation)

The above photo clearly shows that the house sits below the level of Main Street.

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.

Overall, the house retains its historic architectural details and holds sufficient integrity to remain as a contributing resource to the Clarkston Historic District. The structure has a historic connection to supporting the health of the community and family support during times of need. The property along the overflow from Mill Pond to Parke Lake historically provided significant commercial support to the village.

References

List references used to research and evaluate the individual property.

(1) Independence Township Tax Assessment book of 1871;
(2) 1872 map of Clarkston, *Atlas of Oakland County;*
(3) *Clarkston News* April 20, 1967 article "Another Day;"
(4) Research done using the grant funding obtained by Mollie Lynch, Library Director 1991 – 2005 and researched by Susan K. Basinger;
(5) *Clarkston News* March 1, 1946 obituary for Jasper Linabury;
(6) Detailed research notes from Jennifer Radcliff dated April 30, 1973;
(7) *History of Oakland County 1817-1877* Philadelphia 1877;
(8) Images of America Clarkston, Cara Catallo for the Clarkston Community Historical Society 2015;
(9) *Home Tour Clarkston Scamp Celebrating Silver Anniversary Edition 1983-2007;*
(10) Documents and a photo from Eric and Nancy (Weiss) Haven;
(11) Photos from homeowners - Brad and Carey Stricklin;
(12) BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM, Michigan History Division, completed April 1973, updated October 1975 by Jennifer Radcliff;
(13) *Clarkston News* September 13, 1962 article "Another Day" by Connie Lektzian.