

HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY - BUILDING AND STRUCTURES

Please send completed form to: National Register and State Register Coordinator,
State Historic Preservation Office, Department of Economic and Community Development,
450 Columbus Blvd., Suite 5, Hartford CT 06103

* Note: Please attach any additional or expanded information on a separate sheet.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Building Name (Common) 114 Sharp Hill Road
Building Name (Historic) _____
Street Address or Location 114 Sharp Hill Road
Town/City Wilton Village _____ County Fairfield
Owner(s) Crimmins, Thomas H. & Laura S. ☐ Public ☒ Private

PROPERTY INFORMATION

Present Use: Single-family residence
Historic Use: Single-family residence

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

Interior accessible? ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, explain _____

Style of building Colonial Revival Date of Construction ca. 1925

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

☒ Clapboard ☐ Asbestos Siding ☐ Brick ☐ Wood Shingle ☐ Asphalt Siding
☐ Fieldstone ☐ Board & Batten ☐ Stucco ☐ Cobblestone ☐ Aluminum Siding
☐ Concrete (Type _____) ☐ Cut Stone (Type _____) ☐ 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 36' x 24', 22'x21', 13'x6'

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: Later addition

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:

See continuation sheet.

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

See continuation sheet.

Architect N/A Builder N/A

- Historical or Architectural importance:

See continuation sheet.

- Sources:

See continuation sheet.

Photographer Stacey Vairo & Lucas Karmazinas Date September 2017

View See continuation sheet Negative on File CTSHPO

Name Stacey Vairo & Lucas Karmazinas Date October 2017

Organization Stacey Vairo, LLC & FuturePast Preservation

Address 17 Hard Hill Rd., Woodbury, CT 06798 & 940 West Blvd., Hartford, CT 06105

- Subsequent field evaluations:

MBLU# 44/16 PID# 2225

Threats to the building or site:

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

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Photograph of 114 Sharp Hill Road, view facing northwest.

Interrelationship of Building and Surroundings:

This house is located on the west side of Sharp Hill Road, approximately 650' south of Sharp Hill Road's intersection with Old Highway. The house is set back roughly 75' from Sharp Hill Road and a horseshoe-shaped asphalt driveway loops from two points on Sharp Hill Road past the east (façade) side of the house. The northern portion of the driveway also extends west past the horseshoe and runs along the north side of the house to a one-story, two-bay, wood-frame garage with a side-gabled roof. The house is surrounded by a moderately-sized lawn and plantings and numerous mature trees frame the parcel. A stone wall lines the boundary of the property flanking the road.

Other Notable Features of Building or Site:

The house at 114 Sharp Hill Road is a two-story, wood-frame, Colonial Revival-style residence built ca. 1925. It has a side-gabled roof and is oriented with its ridgeline set roughly north-south parallel to the street. A modern one-story ell with a side-gabled roof adjoins the south (side) elevation of the main block. The

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house is clad in aluminum siding and rests on a concrete foundation. There are moderate overhangs of the asphalt-shingled roof at the eaves and rakes and a rubblestone masonry gable-wall chimney rising from the south (side) elevation of the main block. The primary entrance to the house is centered within the three-bay east (façade) elevation. It consists of a paneled wood entry door set in a plain wood frame and flanked by multipane sidelights with diamond-shaped glazing. The entry is sheltered by a one-story porch with Tuscan columns, a front-facing gable roof, and a flat-arched underside. Paired six-over-one double-hung windows are located in each of the flanking bays, while a single six-over-one double-hung window can be found in each of the three bays above. Fenestration throughout the remainder of the house likewise consists of six-over-one double-hung windows. A secondary entrance to the residence is located on the north (side) elevation.

Historical and Architectural Importance:

A historic map from the late 1920s identifies this house as the residence of an “E. Lawson,” this being Edward G. Lawson, a carpenter. The 1930 Federal Census indicates that the 43-year old Lawson resided with his 38-year old wife, Inez, one-year old son, Kenneth, nine-year old niece, Muriel Brown, and 20-year old brother-in-law, Karl Lindstrom, who was an automobile accessory salesman. Both Edward and Inez Lawson were born in Sweden and they emigrated to the United States in 1903 and 1900, respectively. Inez Lawson served as Wilton’s postmaster during the 1930s and 1940s. It appears that the Lawsons vacated the house on Sharp Hill Road at some point during the late 1930s and Edward Lawson died in 1940. The next resident appears to have been Joseph A. Voth, who the 1940 Federal Census identifies as a 56-year old engineer residing with his 58-year old wife, Florence. By 1950, the house was occupied by Sherwood O. Chichester, a lawyer, and his wife, Helen, while by the mid-1950s the resident had passed to Henry H. Newell, a corporate vice president, and his wife, Marjorie. Despite the addition of the modern ell adjoining the south side of the house, the residence at 114 Sharp Hill Road is a reasonably well-preserved example of an early 20th century Colonial Revival-style residence. As such, it is significant as an example of Wilton’s stock of early-20th century houses, particularly those of Colonial Revival styling.

Sources:

Wilton Assessor’s Records on Vision Appraisal; U.S. Federal Census Records, 1900-1940; “Map of the Town of Wilton, Conn., 1909,” C.C. Wood, C.E.; “Map of the Town of Wilton, Conn., 1922,” Robt. F. Thorley; “Map of the Town of Wilton, Conn., 1929,” W.E. Godfrey, Surveyor; “Atlas of Fairfield County, Conn., 1931,” Dolph & Stewart, Publishers, New York: NY; “Residents of Wilton, Conn. (As of July 1, 1937), 1937,” Town of Wilton, CT; “Atlas of Fairfield County, Conn., 1942,” Dolph & Stewart, Publishers, New York: NY; “Wilton, Connecticut, Directory Map, 1950,” Town Planning Committee, Wilton: CT; Westport, Saugatuck, Greens, Weston, Wilton Directory, The Price & Lee Co., New Haven, CT, 1933-1963.