

FORM B – BUILDING

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

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

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Town Barnstable

Place (*neighborhood or village*) **Marstons Mills**

Photograph



Address 29 Hidden Valley Road

Historic Name Ellis Bigelow Lovell House

Uses: Present Residence

Original Residence

Date of Construction 1910

Source Osterville Historical Society
Files # 1992-1-243, 1992-1-244

Style/Form Craftsman bungalow

Architect/Builder Unknown

Exterior Material:

Foundation Concrete block

Wall/Trim Cedar shingle

Roof Composition

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures

Gabled shed to west; octagonal Chinese pagoda NW.

Major Alterations (*with dates*)

2-story addition added on S side

Condition Considerably altered

Moved No Yes **Date** Sept. 1983

Moved two miles north from corner of Main St. and Old Mill Rd. in Osterville

Acreage 1.60 acres

Setting Suburban development above wooded Sandy Valley

Sketch Map



Recorded by James W. Gould, Holly Hobart

Organization Marstons Mills Historical Society
Barnstable Historical Commission

Date (*month / year*) February, 2008

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29 Hidden Valley Road, Marstons Mills, Barnstable

BUILDING FORM

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

The original core of this building, a one story Craftsman style bungalow with some Prairie style features, faces eastward toward the street. The core of about 42 x 32 feet under a hip roof with overhanging eaves originally faced south, as shown on the old photo, attached. In the middle of the east facade is a bay window and a hipped dormer in the roof above. To the north is a sun-porch measuring 18 x 8 feet with four ranked windows separated by columns at the north end and an entrance facing east. This was probably the original bungalow entrance facing east onto Old Mill Road, Osterville, its original location before it was moved in 1998. The recent addition to the south mimics this with a two story sunroom on the south end. The two-story western side facing the oriental garden is entirely new, with a hip-roofed porch supported by two columns.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

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.

This house was built in 1910 by Ellis Bigelow Lovell (1863-1914) on the northwest corner of Osterville's Main Street and Old Mill Road. It replaced the home of his father, Asa Lovell, former Register of Deeds and state representative, a house which was torn down in 1888. On this site, to the north, Ellis first built a barn where he was found hanging, a suicide, in 1914. The barn was moved to the Byrnes estate in Seapuit. After Lovell's death, his widow Nellie Goodspeed sold the house on one acre to Norman Earl Williams (1893-1978), proprietor of the Star Theater, the fruit store in Osterville, and later a plumber. He was a grandson of the first Portuguese resident of the village who had come in 1833 from Pico in the Azores. In 1916, Williams sold the house to Everett F. Fuller (1875-1955), the village grocer. It remained in his hands for 40 years until his death, when it was sold by the Hyannis Trust, the administrator of Williams's estate, for \$14,500 to Osterville residents Ralph B. Arlington and his wife, Elinor. The Arlingtons owned it for 26 years, until 1982, when they sold the house on one acre to Richard and Joyce Jandle for \$60,000. In the meanwhile, Armstrong Park had been laid out to the west of the house. The Jandles subdivided the property and sold it to John Giatreliis who was to build a larger residence on the site.

Meanwhile, in 1983, Loring S. Hogan III, of Osterville, bought vacant lot #9 in the Hidden Valley development for \$16,000 from Robert and John Harmon. Hogan hired Robert Hayden of Cotuit to cut the house in half and move it about two miles to the present site for an estimated cost of \$28,000. In lieu of foreclosure of a mortgage in February, 1991, Hogan sold the house to Security Pacific Realty Corporation for \$53,380. Eight months later, Security sold it for \$95,000 to the present owners, Richard and Tracy Lindstrom. In 1998, they had architects Keenan and Kenry of Falmouth design the additions and hired contractor Greg Cauley of West Yarmouth to carry out the work for an estimated \$120,000. The work has been delayed by the illness of Mr. Lindstrom, and was still underway ten years later in 2008.

BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

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Barnstable Registry of Deeds, Deeds #: 177-171, 293-9, 338-452, 347-525, 950-364, 3491-28, 3554-192, 3941-28, 6322-211, 7440-229, 7716-259; Plan #: 371-192.

Town of Barnstable Building Department, Permits #: 83-2542, 86978 (098-008-009)

Osterville Historical Society, Photos #: 1992.1.243 and 1992.1.244.

Interviews with owners Tracy Lindstrom, Loring Hogan.

Paul Chesbro, Osterville: A History of the Village, 1989, pp. 285-7, 327, 355, 386.

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

INVENTORY FORM CONTINUATION SHEET

Town

Property Address

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**Ellis Bigelow Lovell House in Osterville, dates unknown.
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