

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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UNIQUE SITE NO. 10305.000745
QUAD _____
SERIES _____
NEG. NO. _____

YOUR NAME: Town of Islip/SPLIA DATE: February 1990

Town Hall, 655 Main St.

YOUR ADDRESS: Islip, LI, NY 11751 TELEPHONE: 516.224.5450

ORGANIZATION (if any): Dept. of Planning, Housing, and Development

IDENTIFICATION

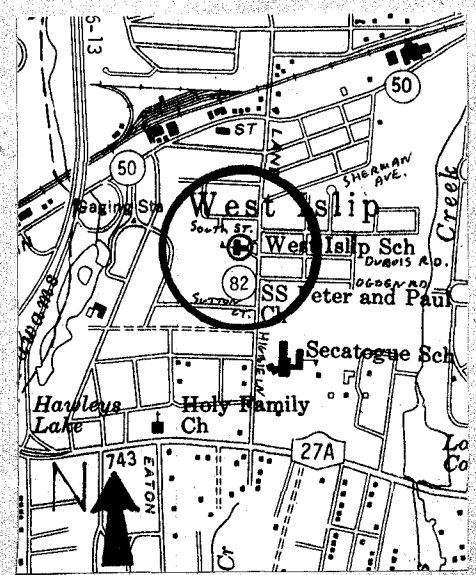
- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): former Higbie lane School/West Islip Community Center
- 2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: West Islip
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 90 Higbie Ln.
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: _____ ADDRESS: _____
- 6. USE: Original: school Present: community center
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain yes

DESCRIPTION

- 8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: a. wood frame with interlocking joints
(if known) b. wood frame with light members
(?) c. masonry load bearing walls
d. metal (explain) _____
e. other _____
- 10. CONDITION: a. excellent b. good c. fair d. deteriorated
- 11. INTEGRITY: a. original site b. moved if so, when? _____
c. list major alterations and dates (if known): _____

12. PHOTO: Neg. KK X-12, fm. E/SE

13. MAP: NYS DOT Bay Shore West Quad



14. THREATS TO BUILDING: a. none known b. zoning c. roads
 d. developers e. deterioration
 f. other: _____
15. RELATED OUTBUILDINGS AND PROPERTY:
 a. barn b. carriage house c. garage
 d. privy e. shed f. greenhouse
 g. shop h. gardens
 i. landscape features: _____
 j. other: large paved parking field
16. SURROUNDINGS OF THE BUILDING (check more than one if necessary):
 a. open land b. woodland
 c. scattered buildings
 d. densely built-up e. commercial
 f. industrial g. residential
 h. other: _____

17. INTERRELATIONSHIP OF BUILDING AND SURROUNDINGS:

(Indicate if building or structure is in an historic district)

90 Higbie Lane is located on the west side of this historic road among a mix of commercial and residential buildings of varying age. Set back from the road, the building is fronted by a large paved parking field and is one of the largest and most architecturally prominent buildings on the street.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):
 90 Higbie Ln. is a large, two story, parapet roof, T-shaped brick building. Projecting entrance wing has six giant columns in antis. The tripartied recessed entrance has a round arch door with scrolled pediment flanked by additional round arch doors with oculus above. Original 8/8 windows with voussoirs remain.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: 1912

ARCHITECT: _____

BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:

The integrity of this handsome building is excellent. Its adaptive re-use for community purposes supports a senior citizen center, a youth enrichment services, a recreation center, and a community museum. (1977)

21. SOURCES:
Wilcox, Gerald and Judith. First History of West Islip, 1976.
A Children's Guide to History of West Islip, 1976-88.

22. THEME:

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