

# 28/104/4FORM B – BUILDING

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MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING  
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD  
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

28/104/4

Westford

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## Photograph



## Locus Map



**Town/City:**

**Place:** *West Chelmsford*

**Address:** 146 Main Street

**Historic Name:** Cedric T. Smith House

**Uses:** Present: Home

Original: Home

**Date of Construction:** 1948

**Source:** Tax Records, Deeds

**Style/Form:** Craftsman/Bungalow

**Architect/Builder:** unknown

**Exterior Material:**

Foundation: Concrete

Wall/Trim: Vinyl siding

Roof: Asphalt shingles

**Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:**

None

**Major Alterations (with dates):** Unknown dates – side additions and closed front porch Ca. 2000, replacement siding, windows and doors

**Condition:** Fair

**Moved:** no  yes  **Date:**

**Acreage:** 2.5 acres

**Setting:** The building is located approximately 20' northeast of Main St. A wide drive is located in front of the wings. The lot is mostly flat and grassy in the rear and surrounded by mature trees. A picket fence is along the front of the parcel. The surrounding area is characterized by 19th and 20th c. residential development.

**Recorded by:** Corrected Linda V. Prescott

**Organization:** Chelmsford Historical Commission

**Date** 8/2024

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

Use as much space as necessary to complete the following entries, allowing text to flow onto additional continuation sheets.

## ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

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

The two-story building has a concrete foundation, walls clad in replacement vinyl siding with vinyl trim, and a steeply-pitched side gable roof covered with asphalt shingles. A brick chimney with a concrete cap is centrally located on the rear slope of the roof. Windows throughout the building are a mix of replacement, one-over-one, double-hung windows (some feature false muntins) and casement windows with false muntins. The main mass of the house is three bays wide. The primary (southwest) façade features a triple, one-over-one, double-hung window in the north bay that wraps around to the northwest wall, a replacement entry door in the center bay, and a triple set of casement windows in the south bay. A two-bay, shed roof dormer is centrally located on the second story of the primary façade and features a pair of double-hung windows in each bay. The southeast wall of the main mass of the house is three bays deep with single windows in each bay. There are two wings on the northwest wall. The first is two stories tall, but shorter than the main portion of the house, with a side gable roof, and clad in vertical replacement siding on the first story and replacement horizontal siding on the second. The wing features almost full-width shed dormers on the primary and rear walls. The dormers have one bay of triple windows with decorative shutters. The primary façade of the wing is two bays wide with an entry in the south bay and a bay window in the north. The other wing is one story tall with a side gable roof and is clad in horizontal replacement siding. Its primary façade is the northwest wall, which is three bays wide with single windows in the north and center bays and an entry door in the south bay. A two bay wide porch shelters the entry. The southwest wall is one bay deep and features a triple casement window with decorative shutters. The building is an altered example of an early twentieth century house that retains historic integrity of location, setting, feeling, and association

## 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 property was once part of the six-acre lot that included 148 Main Street. The two properties have the same ownership history through the most of the 1940's Main Street. Research of real estate tax records indicates the house was constructed in 1938 by Cedric T. Smith. aerial map of the area.

Between 1928 and 1946 Mary J. Coburn (born ca. 1869) owned the property.

The 1930 U.S. Population Census lists Coburn living on Main Street (the street number is not provided) with daughter Bertha M. Seymour (born ca. 1894), who was a clerk at a dry goods store. At this date Mary is listed as a widow and was not employed. In the 1930s Bertha was remarried to Norman Howard

. In 1948 the Howards sold the property to Cedric and Jeanette Smith. The 1950

city directory lists the Smiths at this address with Cedric as an assistant supervisor and Jeanette as a housewife. In 1955 the Smiths sold the property to Joseph C. Demers, who retains ownership of the property

## BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

Genealogical research, including U.S. and Massachusetts census records; birth, marriage, and death records; and city directory records from ancestry.com.

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Middlesex North Registry of Deeds. [www.lowelldeeds.com](http://www.lowelldeeds.com)

Town of Chelmsford Real Estate Records, Resident Lists, GIS maps. [www.chelmsford ma.gov](http://www.chelmsford.ma.gov)

146 Main Street  
Deed Summary

DATE	BK/PG	NAMES	DESCRIPTION
Mar 11 2004	16970/34	Termination	Termination of 146 Main Street Realty Trust.
Mar 11 2004	16970/32	Demers Trustees to Demers Trustees	Joseph C. and Theresa H. Demers, Trustees of 146 Main st Realty Trust dated Sept. 20,1999, recorded in Middlesex Regisrty Book 10420/144 to Joseph C. and Theresa H. Demers Trustees of 146 Main St. Realty Trust to be recorded herewith. The land in West Chelmsford on the <b>Easterly side</b> of Main St. with the buildings described as: Beginning at a stone bound in the <b>Easterly line</b> of Main St. at the <b>Northwesterly</b> corner of the premisis and at land formerly of Bridget Keenan, now Walter C. Shea et ux.; thence <b>Northeasterly</b> at an angle of 98' 28' 10' for 160.37' to a stone bound; thence still <b>Northeasterly</b> at an interior angle of 164' 10' 45' along a stone wall and by the last named land (Walter C. Shea ) 353.53' to a drill hole in a rock at still other land of Shea; thence <b>Southeasterly</b> at an angle of 124' 25' 25" along wall of Shea land 191.32' to a drill in a wall at land of Norman T. and Bertha M. Howard, now or formerly; thence <b>Southwesterly</b> in a straight line along last named land 596.28' to a stone bound in the easterly line of Main St.; thence <b>Northwesterly</b> along Main St. 186.74' to point of beginning. Containing 2.492 acres.
Mar 11 2004	16970/31	Trustee Certificate	Joseph C. and Theresa H. Demers as Trustees
Mar 11 2004	16970/25	Declaration of Trust	Joseph C and Theresa H. Demers, married couple, as Trustees of 146 Main St. Realty Trust II.
Mar 11 2004	16970/23	Demers to 146 Main St. Trust	Joseph C. and Theresa H. Demers, a married couple, of 146 Main st., Chelmsford to Joesph C. and Theresa H. Demers, Trustees, 146 Main St. Realty Trust the land in West Chelmsford on the <b>Easterly</b> side of Main St, with buldings described as; Beginning at a stone bound in the <b>Easterly</b> line of Main St. at the <b>Northwesterly</b> corner of the premises and at land formerly of Bridget Keenan, now Walter C. Shea et ux.; thence <b>Northeasterly</b> at an angle of 98' 28' 10' for 160.37' to a stone bound; thence still <b>Northeasterly</b> at an interior angle of 164' 10' 45' along a stone wall and by the last named land (Walter C. Shea ) 353.53' to a drill hole in a rock at still other land of Shea; thence <b>Southeasterly</b> at an angle of 124' 25' 25" along wall of Shea land 191.32' to a drill in a wall at land of Norman T. and Bertha M. Howard, now or formerly; thence <b>Southwesterly</b> in a straight line along last named land 596.28' to a stone bound in the easterly line of Main St.; thence <b>Northwesterly</b> along Main St. 186.74' to point of beginning. Containing 2.492 acres.

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Sep 20 1999	10420/150	Demers to Demers	Joseph C. and Theresa H. Demers, married couple, 146 Main St, Chelmsford to Joseph C and Theresa H. Demers, Trustees of the 146 Main Street Reality Trust, September 20, 1999. Described as: Land in West Chelmsford, on <b>Easterly</b> side of Main St, with buildings: Beginning at a stone bound in the <b>Easterly line</b> of Main St. at the <b>Northwesterly corner</b> the premises and at land now or formerly of Bridget Keenan and now of Walter C. Shea et aux; thence <b>Northeasterly</b> at an angle of 98' 28' 10' for 160.37' to a stone bound; thence still <b>Northeasterly</b> at an interior angle of 164' 10' 45' along a stone wall and by the last named land (Walter C. Shea ) 353.53' to a drill hole in a rock at still other land of Shea; thence <b>Southeasterly</b> at an angle of 124' 25' 25" along wall of Shea land 191.32' to a drill in a wall at land of Norman T. and Bertha M. Howard, now or formerly; thence <b>Southwesterly</b> in a straight line along last named land 596.28' to a stone bound in the <b>easterly</b> line of Main St.; thence <b>Northwesterly</b> along Main St. 186.74' to point of beginning. Containing 2,492 acres.
June 21 1955	1297/575	Smith to Demers	Cannot find Deed. Cedric Smith to Joseph C.L. Demers
May 7 1948	1091/112	Howard to Smith Bk 1043/ pg.129 corrected deed	Norman T. and Bertha M. Howard, husband and wife of Chelmsford to Cedric T. and Jeannette S. Smith, husband and wife, tenants of the entirety of Billerica the land with buildings on the <b>Easterly</b> side of Main St., West Chelmsford described as: Beginning at a stone bound in the <b>Easterly line</b> of Main St. at the <b>Northwesterly corner</b> the premises and at land now or formerly of Bridget Keenan and now of Walter C. Shea et aux; thence <b>Northeasterly</b> at an angle of 98' 28' 10' for 160.37' to a stone bound; thence still <b>Northeasterly</b> at an interior angle of 164' 10' 45' along a stone wall and by the last named land (Walter C. Shea ) 353.53' to a drill hole in a rock at still other land of Shea; thence <b>Southeasterly</b> at an angle of 124' 25' 25" along wall of Shea land 191.32' to a drill in a wall at land of Norman T. and Bertha M. Howard, now or formerly; thence <b>Southwesterly</b> in a straight line along last named land 596.28' to a stone bound in the easterly line of Main St.; thence <b>Northwesterly</b> along Main St. 186.74' to point of beginning. Containing 2.5 Acres, more or less. Being a portion of the premises, as tenants of the entirety, by Mary J. Coburn deed 1043/129 PB 72/73

146 Main Street  
Deed Summary

May 2 1946

1043/129


Coburn to Howard

Mary J. Coburn, unmarried, of Chelmsford to Bertha M. and Norman T. Howard, husband and wife, tenants of the entirety, both of Chelmsford the land in West Chelmsford on the **Easterly side** of Main St. described as: On the **West** by Main St.; **North** by land, now or formerly, of John Farrar; on the South by land, now or formerly of Roby, and of Perry and of Quessy. Being the same premises conveyed by Bertha M. Seymour, deed Oct. 3, 1928, 770/371.

# 146 Main Street



Property Information	
Property ID	28-104-4
Location	146 MAIN ST
Owner	MULLEN BRIAN W &



**MAP FOR REFERENCE ONLY  
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Geometry updated 06/06/2023  
Data updated Daily

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PLAN OF LAND  
IN  
CHELMSFORD MASS.

COMPILED FOR  
**ARTHUR C. SULLIVAN**  
SCALE: 1"=50' FEB 29, 1965  
DANA F. PERKINS & SONS INC.  
CIVIL ENGINEERS & SURVEYORS  
LOWELL, MASS.

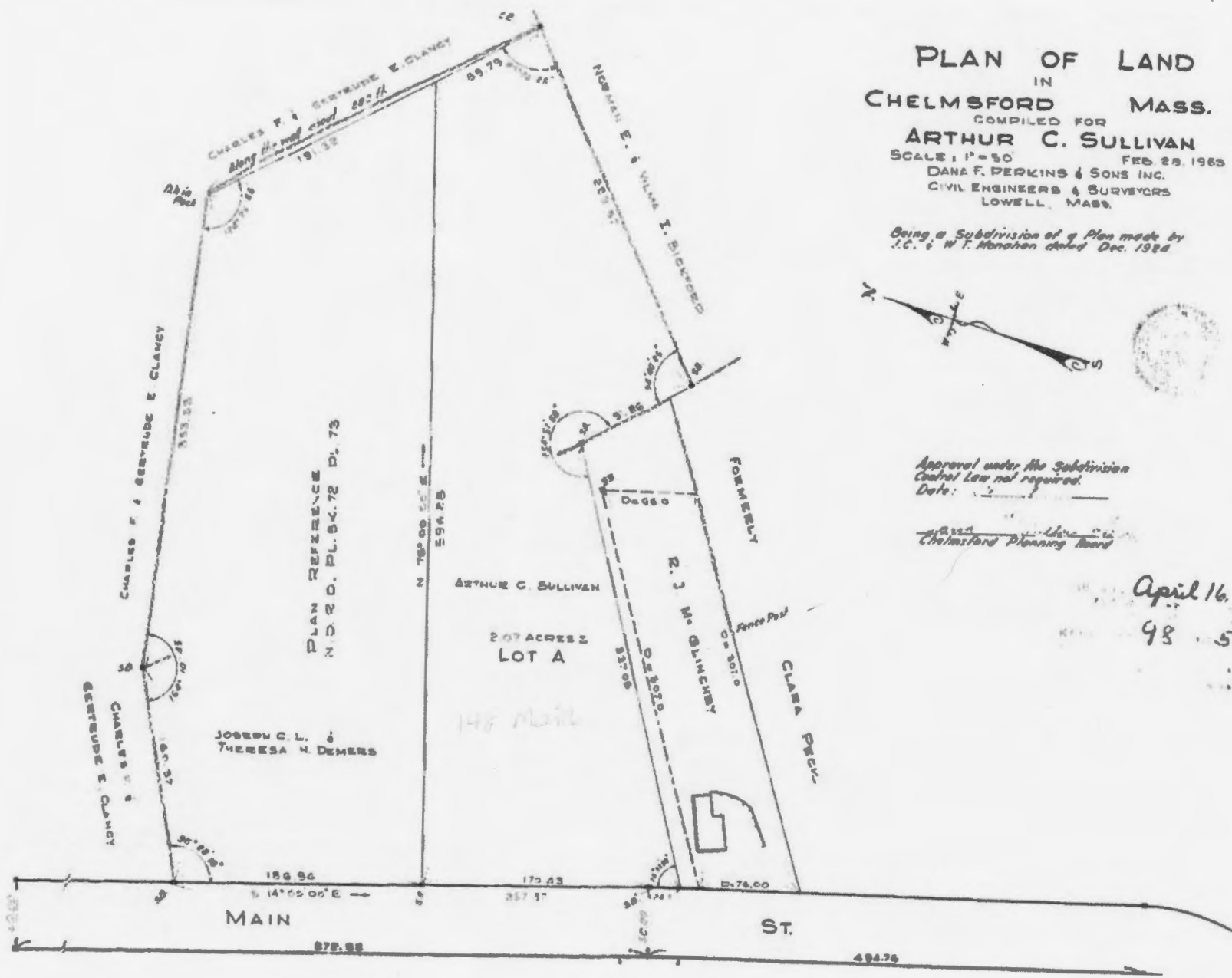
Being a Subdivision of a Plan made by  
J.C. & W.T. Monahan dated Dec. 1964



Approval under the Subdivision  
Control Law not required.  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*[Signature]*  
Chelmsford Planning Board

April 16,  
1965



PLAN REFERENCE  
N.D.R.O. PL. 84-72 P. 73





Plan 72 of 73  
 DATE  
 "For Approval of Original"  
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PLAN OF LAND IN CHELMSFORD, MASS  
 BELONGING TO  
**CEDRIC T. SMITH**  
 PREPARED FROM EXISTING PLANS  
 BY  
 J.C. & W.T. MONAHAN  
 CIVIL ENGINEERS & SURVEYORS  
 SCALE 1" = 50'

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