

BUILDING-STRUCTURE INVENTORY FORM

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YOUR NAME: Town of Islip Town Hall DATE: 7/2/79

YOUR ADDRESS: 655 Main Street
Islip, N.Y. TELEPHONE: (516) 224-5450

ORGANIZATION (if any): Department of Planning and Development

IDENTIFICATION

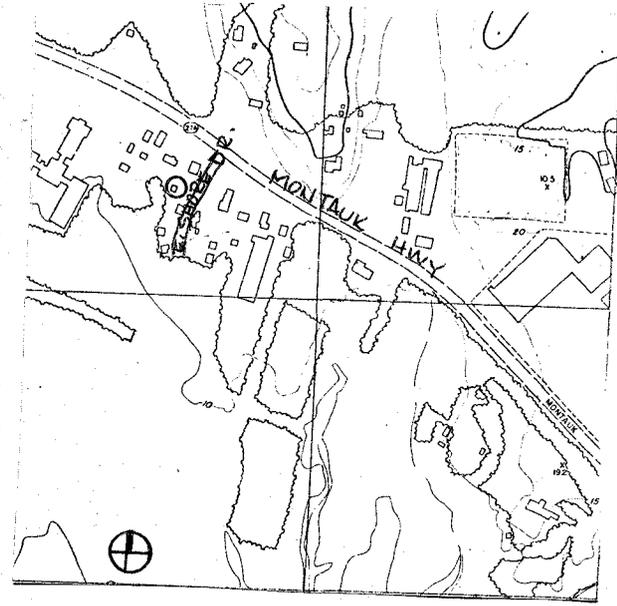
- 1. BUILDING NAME(S): ~~Van Essendelph, formerly~~ Josua Benjamin House
- 2. COUNTY: Suffolk TOWN/CITY: Islip VILLAGE: Oakdale
- 3. STREET LOCATION: 4 East Shore Drive
- 4. OWNERSHIP: a. public b. private
- 5. PRESENT OWNER: Van Essendelph ADDRESS: see # 3
- 6. USE: Original: residence Present: residence
- 7. ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC: Exterior visible from public road: Yes No
Interior accessible: Explain _____

DESCRIPTION

- 8. BUILDING MATERIAL: a. clapboard b. stone c. brick d. board and batten
e. cobblestone f. shingles g. stucco other: _____
- 9. STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: (if known) a. wood frame with interlocking joints
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 14a, NJM-4

13. MAP: Bowe-Anderson



HP-1 front (east) facade

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: _____
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)
The Van Essendelph House is on the west side of East Shore Drive, just south of Montauk Highway.

18. OTHER NOTABLE FEATURES OF BUILDING AND SITE (including interior features if known):
1½ story, 4 bay wood frame house, with gable roof and 6/6 windows.

SIGNIFICANCE

19. DATE OF INITIAL CONSTRUCTION: _____
 ARCHITECT: _____
 BUILDER: _____

20. HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL IMPORTANCE:
The Van Essendelph House is the Oldest surviving house in Oakdale, and was formerly owned by Joshua Benjamin.

21. SOURCES:
William K. Vanderbilt Historical Society

22. THEME:
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