

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS  
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

BOROUGH HALL OF THE BOROUGH OF WAYNESBORO

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET & NUMBER

57 EAST MAIN STREET

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

WAYNESBORO

VICINITY OF

9

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

PENNSYLVANIA

CODE

42

COUNTY

FRANKLIN

CODE

055

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

**CATEGORY**

- DISTRICT
- BUILDING(S)
- STRUCTURE
- SITE
- OBJECT

**OWNERSHIP**

- PUBLIC
- PRIVATE
- BOTH
- PUBLIC ACQUISITION**
- IN PROCESS
- BEING CONSIDERED

**STATUS**

- OCCUPIED
- UNOCCUPIED
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- ACCESSIBLE**
- YES: RESTRICTED
- YES: UNRESTRICTED
- NO

**PRESENT USE**

- AGRICULTURE
- MUSEUM
- COMMERCIAL
- PARK
- EDUCATIONAL
- PRIVATE RESIDENCE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- RELIGIOUS
- GOVERNMENT
- SCIENTIFIC
- INDUSTRIAL
- TRANSPORTATION
- MILITARY
- OTHER:

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

THE BOROUGH OF WAYNESBORO

STREET & NUMBER

57 EAST MAIN STREET

CITY, TOWN

WAYNESBORO

VICINITY OF

STATE

PA.

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

FRANKLIN COUNTY COURT HOUSE

STREET & NUMBER

1 NORTH MAIN STREET

CITY, TOWN

CHAMBERSBURG,

STATE

PA.

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

BOROUGH HALL COMPLEX SITE

DATE

11-08-73

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

MUNICIPAL BUILDING

CITY, TOWN

WAYNESBORO

STATE

PA.

# 7 DESCRIPTION

## CONDITION

EXCELLENT  
 GOOD  
 FAIR

DETERIORATED  
 RUINS  
 UNEXPOSED

## CHECK ONE

UNALTERED  
 ALTERED

## CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE  
 MOVED DATE \_\_\_\_\_

### DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The external facade of the building known as Borough Hall (formerly known as the Academy of Music) presents a classic example of the Second Empire Style. The building was constructed in 1881 and is made of brick.

The exterior features that place this building in the Second Empire Style include the following:

- mansard roof with straight sides
- central pavilion
- roof cresting on the pavilion
- arched double doors with glass panels
- tall first floor windows
- eyebrow - like window heads
- paneled frieze boards

The building is a three-story symmetrical square block with a projecting central pavilion that extends approximately two stories above the roof line. The building has brick end chimneys.

The ground floor has a three bay front with three sets of double arched doors. The doors are capped by pronounced eyebrow like window heads.

The first floor facade is dramatically highlighted by a three bay front consisting of arched windows, approximately 10 feet in height, with pronounced eyebrow like window heads. The presence of the windows is further emphasized by being outlined by about 16" of brickwork with the windows and brickwork being set back from the facade approximately six inches.

The first floor ends with a paneled and bracketed cornice.

The second story has a three bay (window) front set in the straight-sided mansard roof. The roof is highlighted by patterned slate ties.

The pattern slate roof continues up the central pavilion terminating just below the clock. A vent window identical in style to the arched second floor (roof) windows is centered in this section of the pavilion.

The top section of the pavilion contains a bracketed (inwood) clock which is capped by a molded cornice and a cast iron roof cresting.

The interior features of this building have, over the years, been extensively altered. The structure was saved from demolition in 1975 by The Borough of Waynesboro, Pa. when it was decided to incorporate it as part of the expanded Borough Offices. It now serves (along with the major addition) as the Borough Offices.

| PERIOD  | AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW |   |   |   |
|---|--|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC          | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC  | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING     | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499            | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC     | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION           | <input type="checkbox"/> LAW                    | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599            | <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE             | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS              | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE             | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION              | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY               | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799            | <input type="checkbox"/> ART                     | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING            | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> THEATER         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE                | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY             | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1900-                | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS          | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY               | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) |
|   |  | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION              |   |   |

SPECIFIC DATES 1881

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Borough Hall (formerly known as the Academy of Music) was commissioned to be built by the Town Council in 1881.

It was initially designed for dual use as a fire station and general community hall or theatre. It has always functioned as a public building.

It was the town's first "modern" theatre and continued to operate as a theatre through the first part of the 20th Century.

The first public lecture was given by Robert Burdette, the "Burlington Hawkeye". His topic was "The Rise and Fall of the Moustache". Band concerts, recitals, graduations and vaudeville acts provided cultural entertainment for the entire community. In 1906, the first motion picture shown in Waynesboro was viewed at the theatre.

In 1922 the second floor was remodeled as the Waynesboro Library and in 1929, the eastern half of the first floor became a public market.

It served other public functions until 1976 when it was given over to functioning solely as Borough Offices.

The building deserves nomination to the Register of Historic Places because:

- it is a classic example of the Second Empire Style and is the only remaining example of this style on Main Street in Waynesboro.
- it played a significant dual role in the cultural and civic life of Waynesboro serving as a fire station and community theatre. It continues to function as a public building being used as Borough Offices.

# 94 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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 Harrisburg, PA. Harrisburg Publishing Company, 1900,  
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## 10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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UTM REFERENCES

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|---|------|---------|-------|----------|--------------|---|------|---------|----------|
| A | 1, 8 | 27, 9   | 2, 60 | 44       | 10, 35, 4, 0 | B |      |         |          |
|   | ZONE | EASTING |       | NORTHING |              |   | ZONE | EASTING | NORTHING |
| C |      |         |       |          |              | D |      |         |          |

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION Beginning at a point, the corner of lands of the Waynesboro American Legion and Borough of Waynesboro, said point being 16.25 feet north of the north curb of East Main St.; thence with East Main St. north 54 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds west 105.52 feet to a rivet; north 35 degrees 48 minutes 53 seconds east 267.20 feet to an iron pin on the south side of a 12 foot wide public alley; thence south 54 degrees 17 minutes 15 seconds east 106.35 feet to a railroad spike; thence with the lands of the Waynesboro American Legion south 35 degrees 59 minutes 32 seconds west 267.76 feet to the place of beginning.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

| STATE | CODE | COUNTY | CODE |
|-------|------|--------|------|
| STATE | CODE | COUNTY | CODE |

## 11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

RICHARD A. MILLER, BOROUGH MANAGER

5-15-79

ORGANIZATION

THE BOROUGH OF WAYNESBORO

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

57 EAST MAIN STREET, WAYNESBORO

(717) 762-2101

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

PENNSYLVANIA

STATE

## 12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

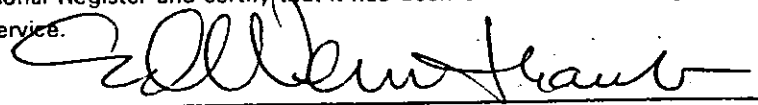
NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE



TITLE

OFFICE OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION  
 ED WEINTRAUB, DIRECTOR

DATE 12-10-79

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

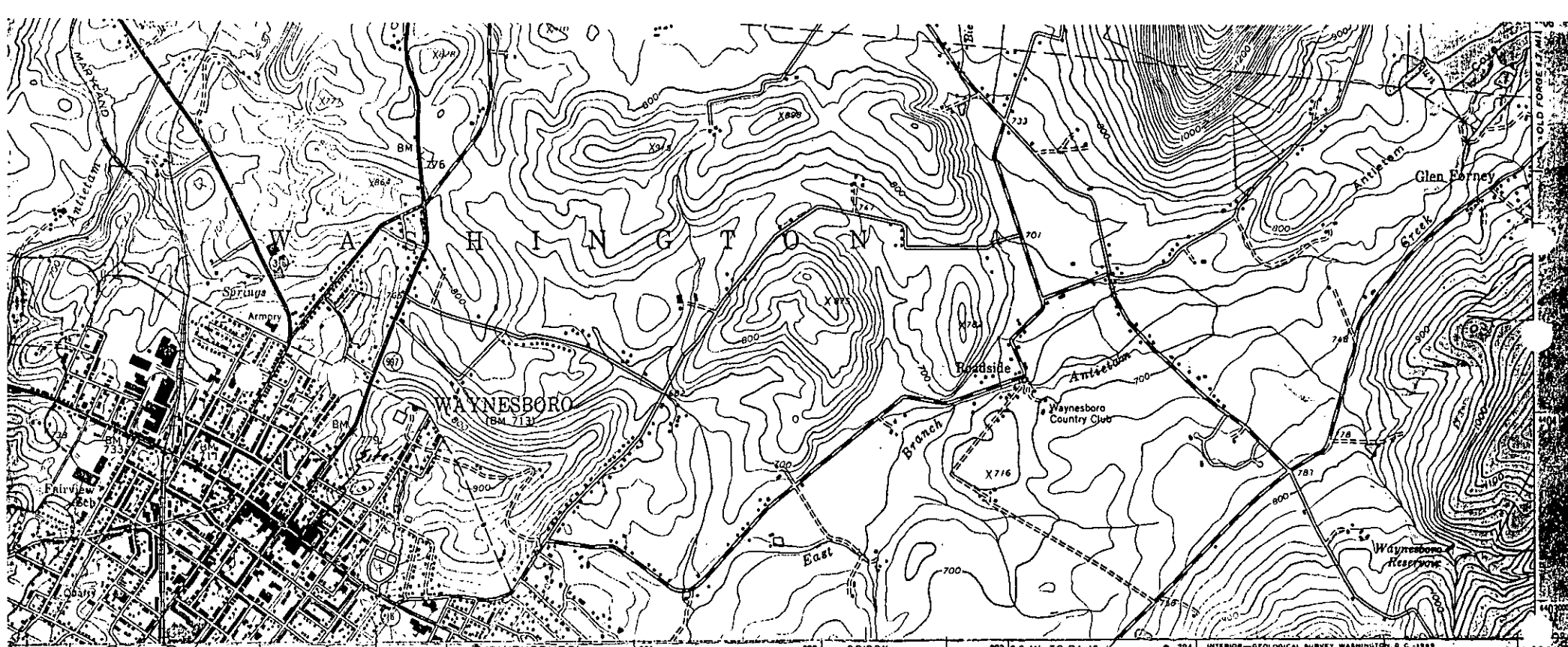
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DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

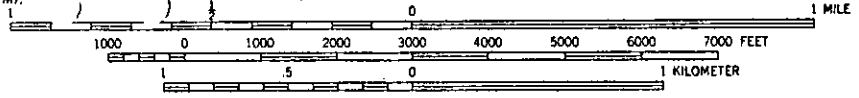
ATTEST:

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER



CHAMBERSBURG 4.8 MI. (115) RINGGOLD 3.1 MI. SMITHSBURG 7.3 MI. WAYNE HEIGHTS 1 MI. (SMITHSBURG) 5463 II NE MONTEREY 5.5 MI. SCALE 1:24 000



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QUADRANGLE LOCATION

ROAD CLASSIFICATION

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|-------------|-------|-----------------|-----------|
| Heavy-duty  | ————— | Light-duty      | —————     |
| Medium-duty | ————— | Unimproved dirt | - - - - - |
|             | ○     | State Route     |           |

WAYNESBORO, PA.  
SE/4 CHAMBERSBURG 15' QUADRANGLE  
N3945-W7730/7.5  
1944  
PHOTOREVISED 1968  
AMS 5463 I SE-SERIES V831

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CLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET