

CITY OF STILLWATER ARCHITECTURE- HISTORY INVENTORY FORM

Address: 704 South First St.

Inventory No: WA-SWC-1359

Historic Name: James and Minnie Hanson

County: Washington

Current Owner: Nicholas & Mary Susan Chaves (B & B)

City/Township: Stillwater

GEO CODE: 3303020110021

Township: T30N R20W, Section 33 (NE 1/4 of NE 1/4)

U.S.G.S. Quad Map: Stillwater, Minn-Wisc., 1967, photorevised 1993

U.T.M.: 15-515500 4988290

Architect/Contractor:

Style: Queen Anne

Date Built: 1895

Photo Number(s): 014587

Frame(s) 16

Survey Name: East 1/2 of Churchill, Nelson & Slaughter's Addition HPPA

Form prepared by: Donald Empson, Empson Archives

Date Surveyed: February-June, 2003

Physical Description: A fancy Queen Anne with fish scale shingles, Palladian window, open gingerbread porch, curved window.

Significance: This house is ____ is not__X_ preliminarily eligible to the National Register of Historic Places.

Statewide Historic Contexts: St. Croix Triangle Lumbering, 1843 -1914.

Local Historic Context: Development of Residential Neighborhoods in Stillwater, 1850s-1940s.

National Register Eligible (prelim.): ____ Yes __X__No

Date listed on the National Register:

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Present Use: Residential, single family

Zoning District: RB-2 family residential

Integrity:

☒ Excellent

☐ Good

☐ Fair

☐ Poor

Condition:

☒ Excellent

☐ Good

☐ Fair

☐ Poor

Stories: 2-1/2

Roof style or shape: Peaked

Structural System: Wood

Windows: 1x1

Foundation: Limestone

Wall Treatment: Wood siding

Alterations:

Legal Description: Churchill, Nelson & Slaughter's Addition

Block 02

Lot Lot 1 & 2 & N-1/2 Lot 3

Historic Information: Seward P. and Elizabeth Richardson purchased this property in April of 1881; they immediately took out a \$1000 mortgage with the Stillwater Building Association. But the loan was not used to build a house on this property, but perhaps elsewhere. By 1889, the mortgage had been satisfied, but within a couple of years, it appears the Richardsons had financial troubles, for they sold these lots and their home at 712 S. Third St. to Robert McGarry, a bookkeeper for the Hersey, Bean & Brown Lumber Co. In June of 1895, McGarry sold the two and one-half lots to James and Minnie Hanson who built a fine house which took the number, 704 S. First Street. A building permit taken out in October of 1895 records the building of a barn and wagon shed, 20 feet by 30 feet, one-and-a-half stories high at a cost of \$300. Madt Nelson from the North Hill was the builder.

Sources:

8 Deeds 120; P Mtgs 345; 8 Mtgs 133; 35-291; 40 Deeds 521; 1896-97
Stillwater City Directory; City of Stillwater Building Permit #867.

Open to the public: ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Limit