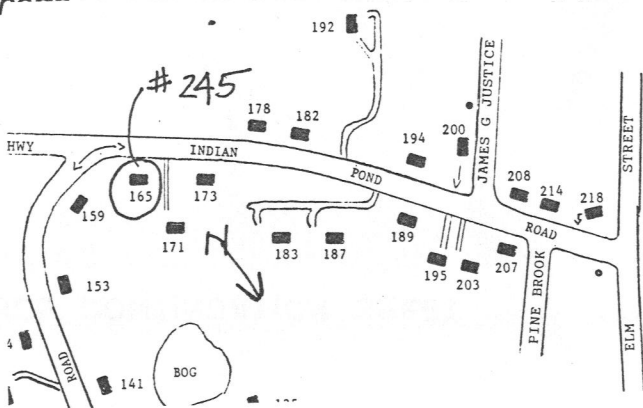




#### Sketch Map

Draw a map showing the building's location in relation to the nearest cross streets and/or major natural features. Show all buildings between inventoried building and nearest intersection or natural feature. Label streets including route numbers, if any. Circle and number the inventoried building. Indicate north



Recorded by Deirdre Brotherson

Organization Kingston Historical Commission

Date (month/year) May 1998

or's number

USGS Quad

Area(s)

Form Number

245

Town Kingston

Place (neighborhood or village)

Address 165 Indian Pond Road

Historic Name

Uses: Present residence

Original residence

Date of Construction c.1912

Source maps

Style/Form no style

Architect/Builder

Exterior Material:

Foundation stone

Wall/Trim wood shingles

Roof asphalt shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures  
garage

Major Alterations (with dates)

rebuilt on existing foundation

Porch enclosed

Condition good

Moved ☒ no ☐ yes

Date

Acreage .5 acres

Setting

outside of any village on linear road

**RECEIVED**

AUG 25 1998

MASS. HIST. COMM

## BUILDING FORM

## ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

☒ *see continuation sheet*

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

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET

## HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

☒ *see continuation sheet*

*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.*

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET

## BIBLIOGRAPHY and/or REFERENCES

SEE CONTINUATION SHEET



☐ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.  
*a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.*

*If checked, you must attach*

Massachusetts Historical Commission  
220 Morrissey Blvd.  
Boston, Massachusetts 02125

Area(s) FormNo.

245

**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:**

The residence at 165 Indian Pond Road was built c.1912 on an existing cellar hole. This 5x3 bay, wood frame, 2 story building sits on a stone foundation. The building is clad with wood shingles. The side gable roof is covered with asphalt shingles. A brick chimney is located on the exterior of the south elevation, a second brick chimney is located on the exterior of the rear elevation. The center entrance is located on a one story, shed roof porch which extends across the facade. The porch roof is supported by stone piers. The windows contain 1/1 vinyl replacement windows on the facade and 6/6 wood sash on the elevations. A three bay stone garage is also located on the property.

**HISTORICAL NARRATIVE:**

According to Helen Foster in 1984: This site was just a cellar hole when I first knew it. the house lot was sold to Halvor Torgerson Sr. around 1910. The present house with all the stonework on the piazza was built in 1912. Mr. and Mrs. Torgerson, owners of the Hotel Columbia next to Pilgrim Hall in Plymouth, expected to live in Kingston when they retired and run the cranberry bogs they had built in the early 1900's. Neither of them lived to do that. Their son, Halvor, lived there for a while with a caretaker family but it was vacant for many years until his death when the whole estate was sold. the original house, I am told, was a typical Cape Cod and was occupied by John Holmes and his family who finally moved downtown. A family by the name of Smith were living there when it burned to the ground.

**BIBLIOGRAPHY:**

Foster, Helen. Kingston Reporter. various articles recording a walking tour of Kingston, MA, 1984.

Then & Now - from Kingston Reporter - 1984 various dates

Melville, Doris Johnson. Major Bradford's Town: A History of Kingston: 1726-1976. Kingston, MA., 1976. [KPL]

**MAPS:**

1726 Kingston. John Gray [MHC]

1795 A Plan of the Town of Kingston. John Gray. [MHC]

1820-30 Five School Districts [KPL]

1876 Town of Kingston. Boyden (w/directory). [KPL]

1876 Town of Kingston, Enlargement of Village. Boyden. [KPL]

1879 Atlas of Plymouth County. George E. Walker. [MHC]

1896 Bird's Eye View of Kingston [KPL & MSL]

1903 Atlas of Plymouth County. George E. Walker. [KPL]