

Architectural Inventory Form

Official Eligibility Determination (for OAHP use only)

- Date _____ Initials _____
- Determined Eligible - National Register
 - Determined Not Eligible - National Register
 - Determined Eligible - State Register
 - Determined Not Eligible - State Register
 - Need Data
 - Contributes to eligible National Register District
 - Noncontributing to eligible NR District

I. Identification

1. Resource number: 5HN68.212
2. Temporary resource number: 207
3. County: Hinsdale
4. City: Lake City
5. Historic building name: Swank House
6. Current building name:
7. Building address: 231 Henson Street, Lake City, CO 81235
8. Owner name and address: Swank, et al, P.O. Box 114 , Lake City CO 81235

II. Geographic Information

County Property No.: R1256

9. P.M. 6th Township 44N Range 4W SW4 of SW4 of SE4 of SW4 of Section 27
10. UTM reference
Zone 13 296850 mE 4211260 mN
11. USGS quad name: Lake City Quad year: 1985 Map scale: X 7.5' ___ 15'
12. Block(s): 59 Lot(s): 1-7 Legal:
Addition: Year of Addition:
13. Boundary description and justification: Perimeter of parcel

III. Architectural Description

14. Building plan: Irregular
15. Dimensions: 925 square feet
16. Number of stories: 1
17. External wall material(s): Manufactured log
18. Roof configuration: Side gabled
19. Roof material: Metal
20. Special features: Porch, chimney, garage, fence
21. General architectural description:
One-story, side-gabled frame dwelling. Metal roof with pointed rafter ends; walls clad in manufactured log; lower walls faced in stone. North gable wall has stone fireplace chimney; wood shingles in the north and south gable ends. West elevation has gabled vestibule enclosed in 1-over-1 windows. Woodframe picture window in east elevation. Shed-roofed addition on south elevation. Concrete foundation.
22. Architectural style/Building type: Rustic
23. Landscaping or special setting:
Property is enclosed in log fence with sunburst pattern

24. Associated building, features or objects:

231B Henson, circa

Trailer with metal, side-gabled roof and walls clad in hardboard. Gabled vestibule on east elevation.

Garage, circa 1965

One-story gabled building of cinder block. Metal roof; gabled ends covered in asphalt singles. Shed-roofed additions on north and south have swing-out garage doors in east elevation. 6-lite window. West elevation has two garage openings; wall of stone-patterned cinder block.

Shed, circa 1945

One-story, shed-roofed woodframe building. Metal roof; walls clad in brick-patterned rolled asphalt. 4-lite window in each elevation. Off-center entrance in south elevation has paneled door.

Garage shelter, circa 1995

One-story metal-frame structure covered in horizontal wood siding.

IV. Architectural History

25. Date of construction Estimate: 1954 Actual: _____ Source of info: Conversation with Joel F. Swank, June, 1994, and March 29, 2003.
26. Architect: None Source of info:
27. Builder/contractor: Joel Swank Source of info: Conversation with Joel F. Swank, June, 1994, and March 29, 2003.
28. Original owner: Joel Swank Source of info: Conversation with Joel F. Swank, June, 1994, and March 29, 2003.
29. Construction history (major additions, alterations, demolitions):
30. Original location: Moved Date of move(s) _____

V. Historical Associations

31. Original use(s): Single dwelling
32. Intermediate use(s):
33. Current use(s): Single dwelling
34. Site type(s):
35. Historical background:

Local contractor Joel F. Swank built this frame home with manufactured log siding for his mother, Elizabeth M. Ray, in 1954. Swank was assisted in the building project by William C. Wright and Claire Bishop. The site of the Swank home was the former location of a two-story frame residence built by ex-slave-turned restaurateur W.W. Jones which was built in 1896 and burned in 1931. Mrs. Ray continued to live in the home until her death in 1974, after which it became the principal residence of Joel and Celia (Rawson) Swank. An adjacent, wood-sided mobile home with enclosed porch entry was originally one of Kenneth Ray's Old Mill Cottage rental trailers at the Youmans Planing Mill, 400 Henson.

Starting with Town Square Cabins, 219-231 Gunnison, in 1939, Joel Swank was the contractor on three distinct types of buildings which are represented within today's Lake City Historic District. As a sawmill owner, Swank was comfortable with the process of harvesting logs and sawing rough lumber which was used in the Town Square rental cabins. Swank next became familiar with cinder block construction, examples of this building form including the Lone Pine Apartments, 220 and 230 Gunnison, and Swank-Mackey House, 217 Gunnison. 231 Henson represents a third and final phase of Swank's building activity -- wood frame construction with manufactured materials -- illustrating a later era when building materials were more readily available.

36. Sources of information:
Conversation with Joel F. Swank, June, 1994, and March 29, 2003.

VI. Significance

37. Local landmark: Yes No Date of design.: _____ Design. authority: _____
Within Lake City Historic District (local historic district)
38. Applicable National Register Criteria:
- A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad pattern of our history;
 - B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
 - C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or that possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
 - D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in history or prehistory
 - Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G
 - Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria
39. Area(s) of significance: Social history, architecture
40. Period of significance: 1953 - 1954
41. Level of significance: National State Local
42. Statement of significance:
This residence is associated with the growth and development of Lake City from 1915 through the 1960s, following the local decline of hard rock mining. It is a well-preserved representative of the Rustic style reflected in its low pitched roof, log materials, stone fireplace chimney, and modest porch.
43. Assessment of historic physical integrity to significance:
The architectural integrity of this dwelling is intact, as evidenced by minimal alterations to its character-defining features.

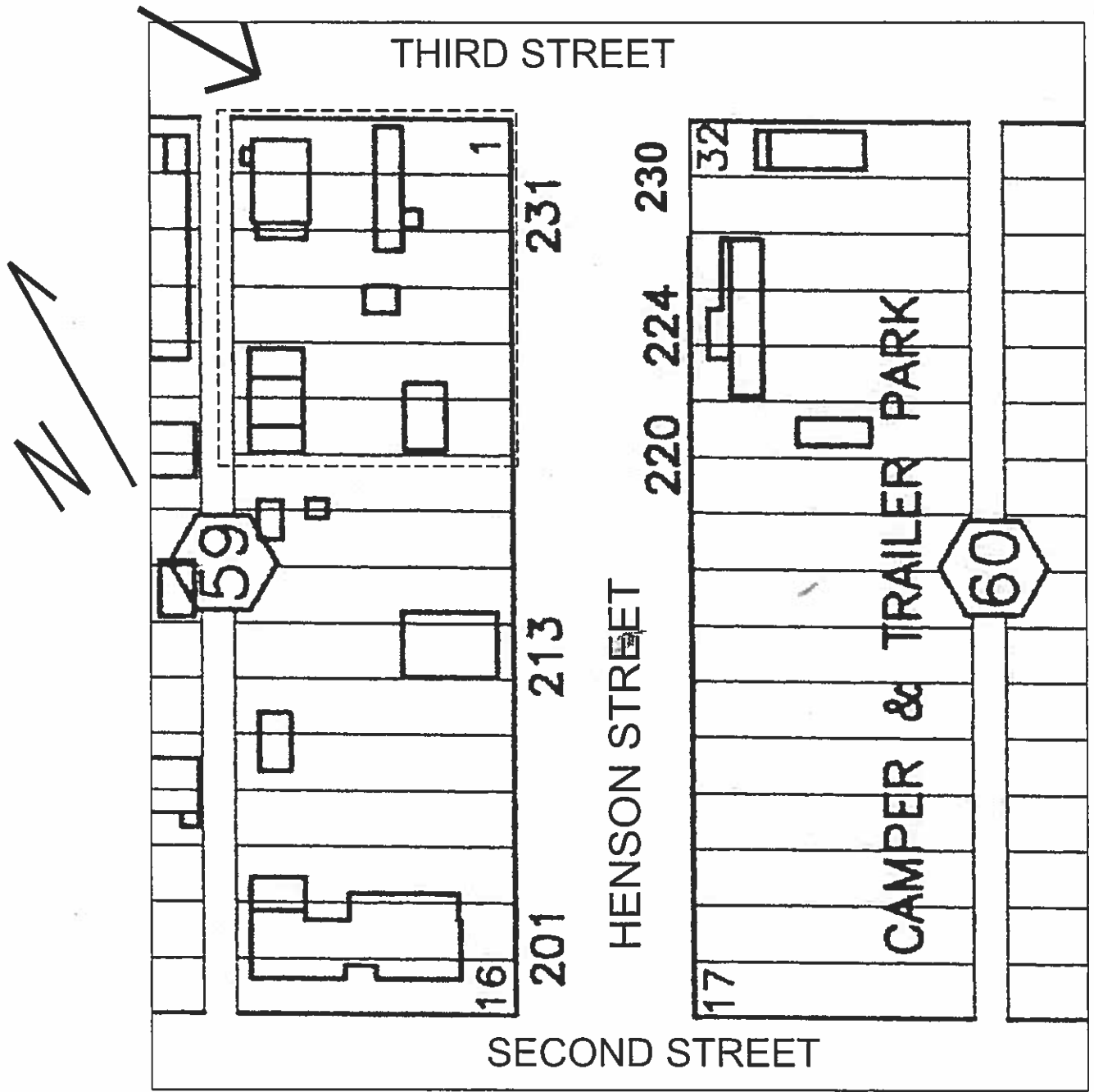
VII. National Register Eligibility Assessment

44. National Register eligibility field assessment: Eligible Not Eligible Need Data
45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes No
Discuss _____
- If there is National Register district potential, is this building Contributing Noncontributing
46. If the building is in an existing National Register district is it? Contributing Noncontributing
(Lake City National Historic District)

VIII. Recording Information

47. Photograph numbers: Roll 21, frames 10-15; roll 27, frames 7-9 Negatives filed at: Lake City Town Hall
48. Report title: 2003 Architectural Survey of Lake City, Colorado
49. Date(s): September 2002 - June 2003
50. Recorders Cathleen M. Norman and Grant E. Houston
51. Organization: Town of Lake City
52. Address: 230 Bluff Street, Lake City CO 81235 53. Phone no. (970) 944-2333

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