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Shelburne Schoolhouse No. 1

About: A collection of photographs was provided to the Shelburne Historical Society by the homeowners Michael & Lois Lynch. After scanning the photographs, David printed them out and spoke with Mr. Lynch about the renovations that he completed in the 1980's. Additional information about the schoolhouse can be found in "Shelburne – Pieces of History", Truman M. Webster, 1994, Pages 90-93.

1. On the right side of the building, the window to the left, was reused and relocated to the center of the street, East side of the building.
2. Michael recalls carved names on the front door which is the original to the building.
3. This picture taken in 1972 before the first renovation by the owners previous to the Lynch's. Note the rubble/stone foundation. The walls had lumber 18" on center and the rood was 2x8's with collar ties.
4. The back of the schoolhouse before any Lynch renovations.
5. Michael Lynch during renovations. The door to the right is the East side before being moved.
6. A breezeway was added between the house and the garage.
7. Following a design in Yankee Magazine, a two-bay garage was added with a room, workshop, above.
8. The interior of the schoolhouse roof showing the 2x8 rafters. The roof was further supporting during the renovations which allowed the addition of second story rooms.
9. During construction showing the relocated center window. The original windows were kept when they could.
10. The renovated front entry with the original door which was reversed in swing and is very heavy hardwood.
11. Construction of the breezeway in 1989.
12. A view of the West side of the building showing the new second floor windows and the new sunroom addition with awning.
13. The new sunroom addition on the left with the completed breezeway.
14. Additional view of the new sunroom addition on the left with the completed breezeway.
15. The completed renovations, view from Falls Road.
16. Additional view of the new sunroom addition on the left with the completed breezeway with additional deck.
17. This picture taken in 1972 before the first renovation by the owners previous to the Lynch's. Michael related that the building was on town property until the 1930's on farmland owned by Mr. Posey which was the original farmhouse in the neighborhood. Because of the many property changes, at one point, the Lynch's and their neighbors agreed to hire a surveyor, come to an agreement on where their respective property lines lay, and making a few payments, recorded the new property lines in the Shelburne town records.