

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey, Oklahoma State University, 502 Math-Science Bldg., Stillwater, OK 74078

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

PORUM TOWN HALL

LOCATION: West Seminole and N. Second Streets, Porum, Oklahoma 040, Muskogee County 101

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--governmental

OWNER: The City of Porum, City Hall, Porum, OK 74455

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Muskogee County Courthouse, Muskogee, OK 74401

DESCRIPTION: good condition; altered; original site

This town hall is a single-story, rectangular (47' x 34') structure constructed of uncut native stone of auburn and buff colors. Lighter colored stones serve as quoins at the corners. The roof is both gabled and hipped with intersecting valleys. The front and rear entrances are single door and have stoops; only the front entrance is protected with a small lean-to like covering, and are protected. On the east front the wood sash windows are paired and rest cut stone sills. On both sides the window openings have cut stone sills below and flat arches above. These openings have been enclosed with wood inserts, as has a garage entrance on the front.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1940; builder/architect: unknown

This building is significant because it provided employment for destitute workers and enabled the infusion of wages of a large number of man-hours into Porum's economy. It is also unique architecturally in terms of type, style, materials, and workmanship. In addition the building enhanced and continues to enhance the operation of town government in Porum.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Less than one acre

Quadrangle: Porum, Okla.
1:24,000/7.5 min.

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Lots 9 and 10, Block 10, Porum original.

PICTURE REFERENCE: 64-a; 64-b