

OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

BOY SCOUT PARK

LOCATION: Pesotum and Main Streets, Shawnee, Oklahoma 040, Pottawatomie County 125

CLASSIFICATION: structures; public; public acquisition--N/A; unoccupied; unrestricted; present use--recreational

OWNER: The City of Shawnee, Shawnee, OK 74801

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Pottawatomie County Courthouse, Shawnee, OK 74801

DESCRIPTION: good condition; altered; original site

WPA work in Boy Scout Park consists of a wading pool and bathhouse, four regulation tennis courts, and three picnic tables. The Bathhouse is a single-story, rectangular shaped (33' x 17') building constructed of untooled and uncoarsed native sandstone. It has a hipped roof and central dogtrot. Windows have been blocked in with cinder block and have stone sills. The wading pool, 48 feet in diameter, and the surrounding apron are constructed of poured concrete. Two tennis courts are located to the north and two to the south of the bathhouse.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936; builder/architect: unknown

The WPA work at Boy Scout Park had a twofold purpose: to provide the city of Shawnee with more recreational facilities and to create jobs for unemployed men of the area. The bathhouse is unique to Shawnee because of its materials, type, style, and the nature of the workmen who built it.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: Ten acres

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

UTM: undetermined

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Beginning at a point 700 feet north of the SW corner of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 20, T 10 N, R 4 E, thence north 620 feet, thence east 702.5 feet, thence south 620 feet, thence west 702.5 feet to the place of beginning

PICTURE REFERENCE: none