

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
 EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PROPERTY NAME: Waverly Downtown Historic District

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: VIRGINIA, Sussex

DATE RECEIVED: 12/23/13      DATE OF PENDING LIST:  
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ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

**Additional Documentation Approved**

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept

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DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N

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entrance to the main floor at the southeast corner. The Vaughan Building is similar to the adjacent, one-story, brick **Waverly Garage (323-5019-0020)**, 330 West Main Street. The cream-colored, stretcher-bond, pressed-brick front wall is topped by a plain brick parapet. The streetfront, with an original pressed metal cornice, was reworked in recent years to include plate glass windows separated by slender fluted pilasters.

The **First National Bank of Waverly (323-5019-0021)**, at 336 Main Street West was given the town's most fully realized classical facades. The narrow, two-story, brick bank building was built in 1916. The stretcher-bond, wire-cut brick front wall takes a temple-front form similar to other banks built during the period. The lower section is divided into a single bay flanked by tall, shallow brick pilasters in the Ionic order with stone capitals and bases. An entablature inscribed with the name of the bank extends across the top of the facade. The front parapet features an applied classical pediment in the same order, with heavy modillion blocks and a central ornamental date stone in the brick tympanum. The axially located entry is surrounded by a smaller pedimented frontispiece with brick pilasters, idiosyncratic fleur-de-lis capitals, and a stepped stone flat arch. The second floor is spanned by a wide strip window filled with modern vinyl casement replacement units.

The one-story **Ellis Hardware Building (323-5019-0016)** at 310 Main Street West was built in 1919 to match the adjacent, earlier Fleetwood Building. The stretcher-bond, pressed-brick front wall is topped by a brick parapet with a coping clad with added metal flashing. The continuous parapet across the front is supported by a corbelled brick cornice above a row of closely spaced corbelled brackets. These end in narrow strip pilasters. The storefront was replaced in the 1930s with a plate glass storefront with an inset entry supported on a low paneled wood base. Slender metal columns behind the glass support the masonry wall above.

As time passed, builders sometimes emphasized the decorative use of brick for the pressed metal ornamental cornices and window heads. The two-story, **Central Garage Building (323-5019)** at 349 West Main Street, built in 1920, features a highly detailed, stretcher-bond, wire-cut brick front wall, topped by a plain brick parapet with a soldier-course brick coping. The original glazed storefront was flanked by brick piers with central panels surrounded by a border of soldier course bricks with cast stone corner blocks. The first and second floors are separated by two cast stone belt courses separated by a band of decorative paneled brickwork. The front wall is topped by a stylized entablature made up of four rows of soldier courses separated by a pressed metal architrave and topped by a pressed metal dentil cornice.

The **Coulbourn Building (323-5019-0018)** at 316 West Main Street, built ca. 1930, is a one-story, brick office building. The stretcher-bond, wire-cut brick front wall takes a temple-front form similar to banks built during the period. The lower section is divided into three bays by shallow brick pilasters. These support a pressed metal cornice with ornamental end blocks. The center bay contains a Colonial Revival doorway that includes a six-panel door with transom and deep splayed jambs with raised panels.

Some commercial buildings during this period received less attention to detail, either because of the nature of the building's function, or because they occupied a secondary position in the

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Primary Resource Information: Commercial Building, Stories 2, Style: Commercial Style, 1912

The Vaughan Building is a two-story, brick commercial resource with a cream-colored, pressed-brick front wall topped by a plain brick parapet supported by a corbelled brick cornice and a reworked plate-glass storefront.

Individual Resource Status: Commercial Building

Contributing Building

**329 Main Street, West 323-5019-0032**

**Other DHR Id #:**

Primary Resource Information: Commercial Building, Stories 1, Style: Commercial Style, 1970

The Dollar General Store is a one-story, concrete block commercial building with blue glazed brick veneer flanking the aluminum-framed storefront.

Individual Resource Status: Commercial Building

Non-Contributing Building

**330 Main Street, West 323-5019-0020**

**Other DHR Id #:**

Primary Resource Information: Garage, Stories 1, Style: Commercial Style, 1912

The Waverly Garage is a one-story, brick building with a cream-colored, stretcher-bond, pressed-brick front wall topped by a plain brick parapet.

Individual Resource Status: Garage

Contributing Building

**336 Main Street, West 323-5019-0021**

**Other DHR Id #:**

Primary Resource Information: Bank, Stories 2, Style: Classical Revival, 1916

The First National Bank of Waverly is a narrow one-story, brick bank building with a temple-front form and ornamental stone details.

Individual Resource Status: Bank

Contributing Building

**344 Main Street, West 323-5019-0022**

**Other DHR Id #:**

Primary Resource Information: Clinic, Stories 1, Style: Colonial Revival, 1966

The Waverly Medical Center is a large, one-story, rectangular, brick-clad medical building featuring Colonial Revival style details.

Individual Resource Status: Clinic

Non-Contributing Building

**349 Main Street, West 323-5019-0031**

**Other DHR Id #:**

Primary Resource Information: Automobile Showroom, Stories 1, Style: Commercial Style, 1920

The Central Garage is a two-story, brick commercial building with a highly detailed, stretcher-bond, wire-cut brick front wall and a brick-infilled storefront.

Individual Resource Status: Automobile Showroom

Contributing Building

**352 Main Street, West 323-5019-0023**

**Other DHR Id #:**

Primary Resource Information: Meeting/Fellowship Hall, Stories 1, Style: No Discernible Style, 1880

The small rectangular frame Municipal Hall is a gable-front, rectangular frame building. Small shed-roofed transepts were added at the rear of the side walls when the building was used as a church.

Individual Resource Status: Meeting/Fellowship Hall

Contributing Building

**361 Main Street, West 323-5019-0029**

**Other DHR Id #:**

Primary Resource Information: Office/Office Building, Stories 1, Style: No Discernible Style, 1980

This resource is a one-story, two-bay, residential-scale rectangular frame office building.

Individual Resource Status: Office/Office Building.

Non-Contributing Building

**363 Main Street, West 323-5019-0030**

**Other DHR Id #:**

Primary Resource Information: Office/Office Building, Stories 1, Style: No Discernible Style, 1990

This resource is a two-story, rectangular brick-clad apartment building containing six two-story units with paired front doors sheltered by three one-bay porches with square wood posts.

Individual Resource Status: Multiple Dwelling

Non-Contributing Building

**364 Main Street, West 323-5019-0024**

**Other DHR Id #:**

Primary Resource Information: Office/Office Building, Stories 1, Style: Colonial Revival, 1980

This resource is a one-story residential-scale rectangular brick-clad office building presenting the appearance of a traditional side-passage-plan dwelling.

Individual Resource Status: Office/Office Building.

Non-Contributing Building

**372 Main Street, West 323-5019-0025**

**Other DHR Id #:**