Physical description of property and statement of historical significance:

The Tucker Cottages are five identical one-story buildings which have rectangular floor plans and gables that parallel the street. Horizontal siding covers the walls above the concrete foundation. The roofs have verge boards, exposed eaves, and interior brick chimneys at the ridges.

The typical front elevation has a garage with a sliding wood door on the right and on the left there is a multi-light front door flanked by four/eight, double-hung windows. Both ends of the houses contain a four/eight, double-hung window located toward the front. There are head height metal pipes spanning between houses at the front and back which are used for hanging laundry. On the north end of the northernmost house there is a gable roof utility shed with a six light door on the east. The standard rear elevation contains a multi-light door in the center, a four/eight, double-hung window at the left of the door and three/eight, double-hung windows on the right and in each corner.

The northernmost house, at 263 North Main Street, has been stuccoed. The garage door and corner window have been replaced with one/eight, double hung windows. The house at 275 North Main has a new front door and a hinged garage door. The house at 289 North Main has vertical grooved plywood siding below the gable ends. House number 301 has a new solid front door and a sliding garage door that runs on the old tracks.

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Sources consulted:

1. Interview with Lavel Tucker, May 14, 1984.
2. Interview with Frank Grove, May 12, 1984.
History

Vern Tucker built these cottages for rental purposes and moved into one of them with his wife Cora. He had assistance from his son Leland who was in high school at that point and Vern was employed at the Lebanon Paper Mill, so the construction was drawn out over an extended period of time.