



# Maple-Leaf News

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In the Town of West Newbury, Massachusetts, the salt box-style buildings, then and now, at the corner of Main Street and Maple Street.

## Then and Now

**A**t the corner of Main Street and Maple Street in West Newbury, Massachusetts, a piece of abandoned history has been both salvaged and demolished in order to construct the new Haverhill Bank branch.

The bank is situated in the middle of the downtown historical district among several homes, including the Rev. John Tufts House (1714), Samuel Chase House (1715), Samuel March House (1695) and Timothy Morse House (1730). All of these homes are located on Main Street, just minutes away

from the new bank facility.

Before Maple Leaf Construction, as construction manager, could begin breaking ground for the new two-story 2,516-square-foot saltbox-style bank branch, the vacant historic house at 281

Main Street had to be razed. The house was deemed to be in a state of disrepair and could no longer be preserved, but it surely could be replicated.

Because of its historical significance, interior demolition started with some interior floor boards and trim being removed and saved for future use elsewhere. Tree removal on the site also began, with one particular tree that was found to be rotten two-to-three feet within the middle of the trunk.

Once the site was cleared, a portion of a rock retaining wall was built, and excavation got underway for a new septic system and leach field. After the



Haverhill Bank opened in the fall of 2016.

septic system was developed, a special grain-size sand was imported from the State of Maine in order to meet local codes and requirements. Underground utilities and waterline to the neighboring barbershop, located on the bank's

property, were installed and a Ticonderoga Cottage Wall was positioned around the perimeter of the bank's property. The weathered granite stone wall was made up of a palette of gray-blue, caramel, amber, blush, pale green and deep shades of brown

To blend in with the rural charm of the surrounding area, architects DRL Associates of Weymouth Massachusetts designed the new branch. The wood-framed building called for HardiePlank® Arctic White siding, and cool-weathered wood shingles for roofing, plus a false brick chimney rising above. Roof canopies also covered all bank entrances and an ornamental steel railing

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was installed at the granite staircase. Exterior wooden doors were painted antique red.

When parking lot paving, sidewalks and curbing were complete, bike racks were installed for customers' convenience. Other features included two drive-up lanes—one for a personal teller and another for ATM transactions, as well as a night deposit box. Inside, an on-site mortgage originator is available along with a three-station teller line to take care of all banking needs.

Town officials and residents of West Newbury were thanked by President and CEO Thomas Mortimer for "extending their welcoming hands to Haverhill Bank." The branch employs five staff members and opened in the fall of 2016.

*Right: Once approved to be removed by the town tree warden, ultimately the historic tree was found to be rotten two-to-three feet within the middle of its trunk.*



## Holiday Greetings from Maple Leaf Construction

At this joyous time of year, we are grateful for so many things: the opportunity to work with our team of professionals, our many business partners, and our valued clients who have made our success possible.

At Maple Leaf Construction, we hope you and all of your coworkers, family, and friends have a lovely holiday season filled with joy and meaning. We wish you an abundance of happiness and peace in a new year filled with hope.

Happy Holidays!

### **Planning A Project? Have Questions? Give Us A Call!**

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