

Timeline of Events Regarding Ownership of Kimball Property

- 2009 The Lawrence and Wilhelmina Kimball Trust designates the Bedford Historical Society as recipient, if it chooses, of the Kimball property on the east side of North Road.
- Sept. 8, 2010 Bedford Historical Society Board of Directors votes to take ownership of the Kimball property on North Road, including the 18th Century historic Farley-Hutchinson-Kimball House and its 20th Century barn and to retain legal counsel for the purpose of resolving provisions in the Lawrence and Wilhelmina Kimball Trust that prevented the property from being sold by the Society. The Society concluded that the best use of the property was as a private home, and also began efforts to preserve the historic property.
- July 6, 2011 Society submits application to the Massachusetts Historical Commission to list the property on the National Register of Historic Places.
- July, 2011 to Aug, 2012 Society's Chairman of the Board begins work on a Historic Preservation Agreement to protect the house in perpetuity, and also as required by the office of the Massachusetts Attorney General before they would recommend changes to the Kimball Trust in Probate Court that would allow the property to be sold. Negotiations on this Agreement continued over a 13-month period between the Society and the Massachusetts Historical Commission.
- Dec. 14, 2011 Massachusetts Historical Commission approves the application for National Register status and submits it to the National Park Service.
- March 27, 2012 National Park Service approves the property's listing on the National Register of Historic Places.
- August, 2012 Massachusetts Historical Commission approves the Historic Preservation Restriction Agreement, enabling the office of the Attorney General to review and approve the proposed changes to the Kimball Trust.
- August 20, 2012 Bedford Selectmen votes to approve and accept the Historic Preservation Restriction Agreement and authorizes the Town's Historic Preservation Commission to manage and enforce the agreement.
- March 7, 2013 Probate Court grants relief to permit the sale of the Kimball property by the Bedford Historical Society.
- April 8, 2013 The transfer of the Kimball property from the Bedford Historical Society to Nathan and Paul Kimball is recorded in the Massachusetts Registry of Deeds, completing the sale.