

1. Survey No. CL-AS-010-017		2. Survey name: Mineral Water Resources of Excelsior Springs	
3. County: CL		4. Address (Street No.) 421	Street (name) E. Excelsior Street
5. City: Excelsior Springs	Vicinity: <input type="checkbox"/>	6. UTM: 15 S/394958.47E/4355512.32N	7. Township/Range/Section: T: 52N R: 30W S:1
8. Historic name (if known): The Jones Soda Well		9. Present/other name (if known):	
10. Ownership: <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public		11a. Historic use (if known): HEALTH CARE/resort	11b. Current use: VACANT/not in use

**HISTORICAL INFORMATION**

12. Construction date: Ca. 1910	15. Architect:	18. Previously surveyed? <input type="checkbox"/> Cite survey name in box 22 cont. (page 3)
13. Significant date/period: c. 1910-1936	16. Builder/contractor:	19. On National Register? <input type="checkbox"/> individual <input type="checkbox"/> district Cite nomination name in box 22 cont. (page 3)
14. Area(s) of significance: HEALTH/MEDICINE	17. Original or significant owner: Thomas Walker Jones	20. National Register eligible? <input type="checkbox"/> individually eligible <input type="checkbox"/> district potential ( <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> NC ) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not eligible <input type="checkbox"/> not determined
21. History and significance on continuation page. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		22. Sources of information on continuation page. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION**

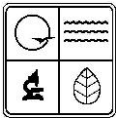
23. Category of property: <input type="checkbox"/> building(s) <input type="checkbox"/> site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> structure <input type="checkbox"/> object	30. Roof material: N/A	37. Windows: <input type="checkbox"/> historic <input type="checkbox"/> replacement Pane arrangement:
24. Vernacular or property type:	31. Chimney placement: N/A	38. Acreage (rural): Visible from public road? <input type="checkbox"/>
25. Architectural Style:	32. Structural system: masonry	39. Changes (describe in box 41 cont.): <input type="checkbox"/> Addition(s) Date(s): <input type="checkbox"/> Altered Date(s): <input type="checkbox"/> Moved Date(s): <input type="checkbox"/> Other Date(s): Endangered by: Neglect
26. Plan shape: Octagon	33. Exterior wall cladding: Masonry/limestone	
27. No. of stories: N/A	34. Foundation material: limestone	
28. No. of bays (1 <sup>st</sup> floor): N/A	35. Basement type: unknown	40. No. of outbuildings (describe in box 40 cont.): N/A
29. Roof type: N/A (no longer extant)	36. Front porch type/placement: N/A	41. Further description of building features and associated resources on continuation page. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**OTHER**

42. Current owner/address: City of Excelsior Springs 201 E. Broadway St. Excelsior Springs, MO 64024-2564	43. Form prepared by (name and org.): Deon Wolfenbarger Three Gables Preservation 320 Pine Glade Road, Nederland, CO Deon@threegables.net	44. Survey date: 2012
		45. Date of revisions:

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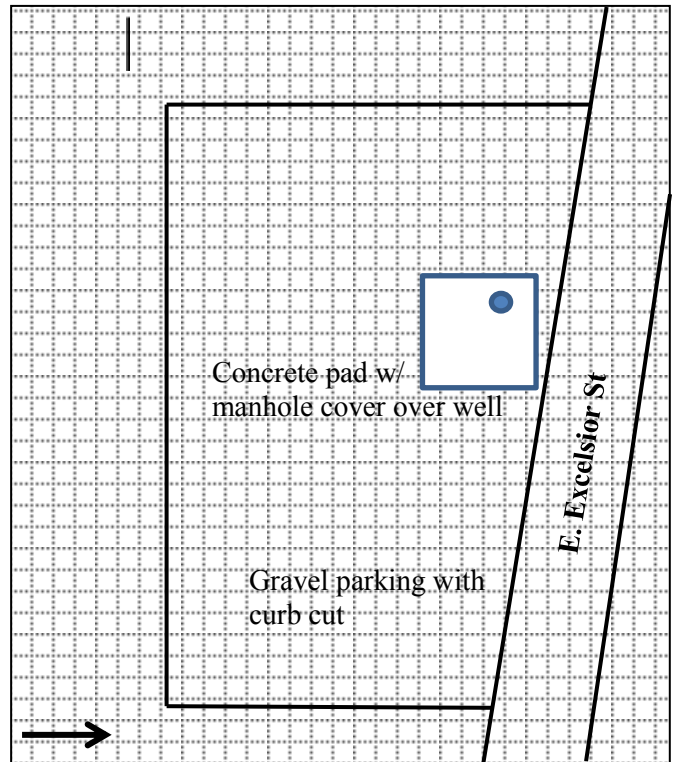
Date entered in inventory:	Level of survey <input type="checkbox"/> reconnaissance <input type="checkbox"/> intensive	Additional research needed? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no
National Register Status: <input type="checkbox"/> listed <input type="checkbox"/> in listed district Name: <input type="checkbox"/> pending listing <input type="checkbox"/> eligible (individually) <input type="checkbox"/> eligible (district) <input type="checkbox"/> not eligible <input type="checkbox"/> not determined	Other:	



**LOCATION MAP (include north arrow)**



**SITE MAP/PLAN (include north arrow)**

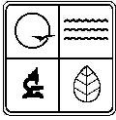


**PHOTOGRAPH**

Photographer: Deon Wolfenbarger	Date: 11/09/2011	Description: Looking south a concrete pad with manhole cover
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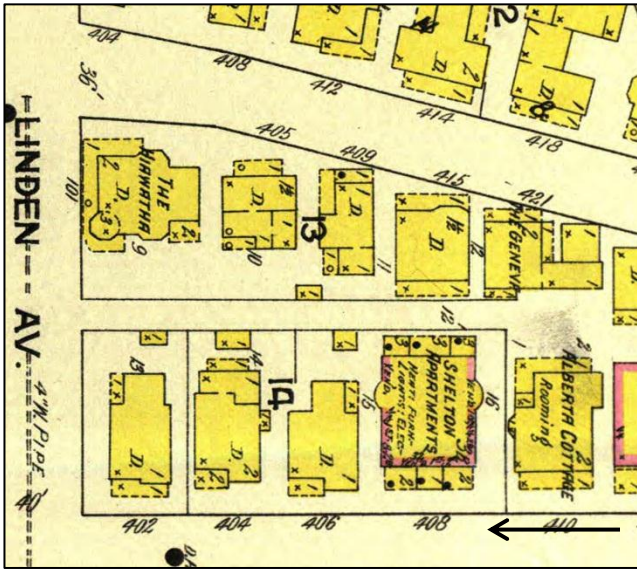




**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

21. (cont.) History and significance. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages.

The lot on which the Jones Soda Well and pavilion was located is vacant in the 1900 Sanborn map, but by 1905, a rooming house – The Geneva – was constructed. By 1913, there was a one-story addition location on the east front of the property (the sales pavilion). The 1908 city directories do not list Jones Soda Well, but it is in the 1917 directory, leading to a construction estimate for the well & pavilion of ca. 1910. The proprietor, Thomas W. Jones, formerly worked as the pump man at Siloam Spring for several years. Mr. & Mrs. Jones lived behind the pavilion in the one-story wing of the main building, while renting out rooms in the two-story building. The water belonged to the *soda bicarbonate* group, and was purportedly the strongest soda water in town, as well as one of the more popular. However, there are three different mineral analyses listed for the water: one on file at the Excelsior Springs Museum & Archives; another in *The Waters of Excelsior Springs*, and a third in an advertisement in the 1917 City Directory. The Jones Soda Well was still listed in the 1922 directory, although the Jones were not noted as residents. Alex Shepherd purchased the springs and the apartment building in 1924 from F. G. Taggart. It was one of the ten wells purchased by the city and piped into the Hall of Waters in 1935. By 1942, the pavilion and boarding house were demolished.



1913 Sanborn map showing 1-story addition on east front



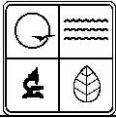
Historic photograph



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22. (cont.) Sources of information. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages.

Clay County Assessor's Office

*The Waters of Excelsior Springs: Valley of Vitality*

Sanborn Fire Insurance Maps

*The Waters of Excelsior Springs* poster

Excelsior Springs Museum & Archives; file V1.200.240. "Jones Soda"

"Jones Soda Well," Excelsior Springs Museum & Archives, accessed 21 February 2012

<http://www.exsmo.com/museum/springs/jones/jones.html>

40. (cont.) Description of environment and outbuildings. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages.

A level lot, with gravel parking and a curb cut on the east side, and the concrete well pad on the west. Grass lawn surrounds the parking and concrete pad. The property is currently addressed 000 E. Excelsior Street by the county assessor's office, and is in Craver & Bates Addition, part of lots 1 & 2, block 2, Clay County parcel ID: 12-312-00-16-014.00

41. (cont.) Further description of important architectural features. Expand box as necessary, or add continuation pages.

A concrete pad with metal manhole cover marks the location of the Jones Soda Well pavilion.