

**Boothwyn Farms 1913** – Below is the entire plan for sub dividing ‘Boothwyn Farms’, which was the estate of the McCay property (about 350 acres). The planned sub-division started sometime around 1892 (see the full Upper Chichester map from 1892). The Pierce house (McCay house) is shown at the crossroads of what is now Chichester Avenue and Meetinghouse Roads. This area was once known as McCaysville and was the center for business and the community in Upper Chichester.

Thomas McMahan was the president of the National Real Estate Company that took charge of the sub-division and was also an in-law of the family. His signature can be found on many of the deeds from the area in the late 1800’s. Apparently he took some property for himself and built a stone house at the corners of Boothwyn Avenue and Central Avenue, a cross roads that was never improved (paved) and now only exists as an over grown footpath.

Look closely at the map and you will see that there are not too many structures at the time in 1913. The plan shows quite a few parcels available from 50 feet wide to well over 100 feet. Many of the parcels eventually had houses built on them but some could just not be built on, especially back by the railroad tracks. The houses in blue are made of stone, red are made of brick and yellow are wood structures.

See the other Boothwyn Farms links for a closer look at the area.

