

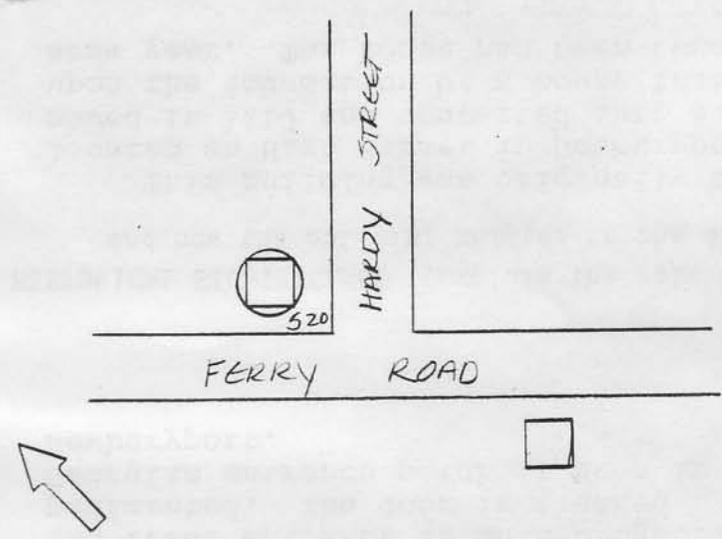
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MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
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Newburyport
Address 36 Ferry Road
Historic Name Quaker Meeting House
Original Meeting House
Present Residence
 Ownership: Private individual
 Private organization _____
 Public _____
Original owner Society of Friends

Draw map showing property's location in relation to nearest cross streets and other buildings or geographical features. Indicate north.



DESCRIPTION:
Date 1743
Source Currier, "History of Newbury"
Style Georgian
Architect Unknown
Exterior wall fabric Shingles, Clapboards
Outbuildings
Major alterations (with dates) addition at rear (1978), endwalls shingled, (date unknown)
Moved From High Street Date 1857
Approx. acreage 15,600 sq. ft.
Setting in residential area of nineteenth and twentieth century dwellings in Newburyport's North End.

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ARCHITECTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (describe important architectural features and evaluate in terms of other buildings within community)

This building originally a meeting house is Georgian in style. It is two stories in height with pitched roof and symmetrical, five bay facade. The front entrance is in a projecting central bay. This entrance porch is pedimented. The door is flanked by classical pilasters. This type of Georgian entrance porch is seen in many eighteenth century homes in Newburyport.

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (explain the role owners played in local or state history and how the building relates to the development of the community)

This building was originally built as a Quaker Meeting House and was located on High Street in Newburyport's North End. The building was moved in 1857 and converted into a dwelling. The building was placed upon the foundation of a house that had been destroyed by fire in that same year. The house had been owned by Charles Bartlet.

Later owners of the house included George A. Menut who owned the property in the 1940's. The building housed a private school in the early nineteenth century and before it was removed to Ferry Road it served as the vestry for the Fourth Parish church in Newbury, now the Belleville Congregational Church.

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