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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Porter Meeting House is on an unnumbered road adjacent to Mill Brook at Porter. It is on the east side of the road 1.8 miles north of the intersection with State Route #25.

The Meeting House is a frame, clapboarded building, 44'6" wide and 36'5" long. It has two tiers on windows, a gable roof and a door on each end of the front of the building. The interior is open with a three sided gallery and original box pews. The building is set on a granite foundation. The interior walls have been repaired where the roof leaked and loosened some of the plaster. Most of the walls still show the original trowel marks. The roof is made of a modern corrugated sheet metal. The chimney has been removed for safety, the roof has been painted and the whole building has been painted at least twice.

In 1969, the old pulpit was restored using such parts of the original as were available. This was done according to a blueprint made by Washington and the work was done by Mr. Nils Nelson of the Maplewood section of Parsonsfield. He is an ingenious designer and expert cabinet maker and has restored several churches. He was educated in the trade schools of his native country of Sweden. This is an excellent piece of workmanship of which we are very proud.



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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Porter Old Meeting House is a fine example of New England architecture of the early nineteenth century. It was built in 1818-1819, though it was not completed until 1824. The church was used by a sect called the "Bullockites" who were followers of Elder Jeremiah Bullock, a Baptist clergyman. It has also been used as a town meeting house.

Some twenty years ago the Parsonsfield-Porter Historical Society of Kezar Falls took over the care of the building. At the time of the observance of the 125th anniversary of the Meeting House on September 6, the Parsonsfield-Porter Historical Society placed a bronze plaque on the front of the building which reads:

> PORTER OLD MEETING HOUSE 1818 1953 To the Glory of God and In memory of our pioneer ancestors Who erected this building.

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