

July 23, 2015
Historical Commission Meeting

The Upton Historical Commission met at 11:10 am on July 23, 2015 at 3 Centennial Court. In attendance were Chairperson, Cathy Taylor; Vice-chair, Joyce Heywood; plus members Donna Desjardin, Howie Glassman, and George Patterson. Absent members were Jim Brochu and Russ Wood. With us at the meeting was Matt Connell, owner of the property.

Tour of barn at 3 Centennial Court: The Commission met with Matt Connell, property owner of 3 Centennial Court, for a site visit of the barn, which dates back to the 1870s. Mr. Connell had applied for a demolition permit of the barn. Joyce agreed to write a summary report.

The visit was completed and the meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

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Mr. Connell bought the post and beam barn as part of the property at 3 Centennial Court in 1999. At this point, he has not had a structural assessment done by a professional. He would like to take the building down and put up garage and office units. That is only an idea at this point and he is open to other options.

Buckling and sagging was noticed on one end of the barn. The roof and windows are not in good shape, and there are spaces in the walls where the outside can be seen, but the building does not seem in imminent danger of collapse.

This historic building/barn was once used to store hats for the Upton hat factory and was also used for car repair.

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