

Certificate of Review
for 352 Ridge Road

HPC2007-08-21-02

A building permit application for a shed was submitted to the Town Office on August 13, 2007, by homeowner Aaron R. Chisholm, and was forwarded by the Planning Commission for review by the HPC at its monthly meeting on August 21. The homeowner was not present at the review.

General Description: An 8' x 10' garden shed is proposed. The original submission showed the shed to be constructed at the rear of the property, within the forestry conservation easement. On August 26, the applicant submitted a revised drawing showing the position of the proposed shed adjacent to the house.

Adequacy of the Documents Submitted: The documents submitted were adequate for the HPC's review. In addition to the permit application and plat, the applicant provided a brochure describing the prefabricated garden shed, which appears to be metal.

Visibility from public ways: The new construction will most likely not be visible from Ridge Road.

Contributing structure: The house, ca. 2005, is not a contributing structure.

Nearby Contributing structures: There are no contributing structures within close proximity to 352 Ridge Road.

Compatibility with the existing structure and/or the historic district: There are no negative compatibility issues noted.

HPC Recommendations: None.

Emilia A. Styles
for the Historic Preservation Commission

Date

Please note that the Historic Preservation Commission acts only in an advisory capacity to both applicants and the Planning Commission. The reviews undertaken are designed to assist homeowners in their projects, to provide input to deliberations of the Planning Commission and, more generally, to contribute to historic preservation in Washington Grove.

Further information regarding the scope, powers, duties, and structure of the Historic Preservation Commission may be found in Article XV of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Washington Grove. Section 5 (a) of Article XV describes the powers and duties of the Historic Preservation Commission in the building permit process. This section reads as follows:

The Commission shall review all applications for building permits filed with the Town Planning Commission which would involve any change to a structure or site visible from any public way for historical accuracy, integrity, or compatibility with the neighborhood and improvements therein. The Commission may recommend to an applicant alternative historical designs, materials and sources for the same which may be more historically compatible. The Commission shall forward its recommendations regarding the same, if any, in an advisory capacity, to the Planning Commission for consideration by the Planning Commission within thirty (30) days from the Commission's receipt of the application from the Planning Commission.

- cc: Applicant
- HPC members
- HPC Binder
- Web site, Bill Saar
- Planning Commission, John McClelland
- Mayor John Compton
- Town Clerk, Kathy Lehman