

Certificate of Review
for 203 Washington Grove Lane

HPC2007-09-18-01

A building permit application to add a shed was submitted to the Town Office on September 5, 2007, by homeowner Marilynn Frey, and was forwarded for review by the HPC at its monthly meeting on September 18. The homeowner was present at the review.

General Description: An 8' x 12' garden shed (8'9" at the roof peak) is proposed to be constructed at the rear of the applicant's property (near Hickory Road). The applicant described the proposed shed as being "typical of the Amish builders." It will be constructed of wood/wood composite, with a double door and two windows on the south side of the building.

Adequacy of the Documents Submitted: The documents submitted were adequate for the HPC's review. In addition to the permit application and house location survey, the applicant provided a 2-page specification from the builder.

Visibility from public ways: The new construction will be visible from Hickory Road and from Oak Street.

Contributing structure: The house (ca. 1942, per the "House Histories") is not a contributing structure.

Nearby Contributing Structures: Nearby contributing structures include 128, 202 and 206 Chestnut Avenue as well as 204 and 206 Washington Grove Lane.

Compatibility with the existing structure and/or the historic district: No negative compatibility issues have been 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