

Certificate of Review
for 207 Maple Ave

Application for Building Permit
HPC2004031602

An application to construct a new residence was submitted to the WG Town Office on March 16, 2004 by David and Brenda Gumula and forwarded by the Planning Commission for review by HPC at its March 16, 2004 monthly meeting. This document is an addendum to the original review following changes made by the applicants to their plans after HPC made recommendations during the March 16th meeting.

General Description: See March 21st Review.

Adequacy of the Documents Submitted: The revised and final plans for construction were quite adequate.

Visibility from public ways: See March 21st Review.

Contributing structure: See March 21st Review

Nearby Contributing Structures: See March 21st Review.

Compatibility: The applicants’ revised plan reflects a roof line significantly lower than the original plan and it conforms with the new height requirements of the town zoning ordinance which took effect April 8th, 2004. HPC commends the applicants who reacted to the spirit of preservation guidance given by HPC. There were other minor changes made to window glass patterns and size. The HPC supports the design efforts made by the applicants as the lower building height will conform to the scale of surrounding structures.

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.

Edward J Mrocza, Member
Historic Preservation Commission

April 23, 2004
Date