Hightstown Historic Preservation Commission



Opinion 2011-4



J. Brent Barlow & Richard Zimmer 202 Stockton Street Hightstown, NJ 08520

Dear Mr. Barlow and Mr. Zimmer,

Thank you for contacting the Hightstown Historic Preservation Commission, (HHPC) about your plans to replace your roof shingles. As per your email, the following work will take place:

"As an active participant in the rejuvenation of the Stockton Street Historic District, we are the proud proprietors of the Barlow & Zimmer Funeral Home at 202 Stockton Street.

It is our intent to begin the installation of a new roof on our entire building starting end-June 2011. The current slate roof is well over its functional life expectancy, and has deteriorated to problematic conditions. Various parts of the roof have been replaced over the years with asphalt, tin, tar patches, tar paper and other attempts to prevent leakage. This patchwork is both unsightly and failing to keep out the elements on our historic building.

Similar to the previous HPC Opinion 2010-1 (194 Stockton), we intend to utilize the DaVinci Slate roofing product, installed by LGC Roofing Contractors. We will be utilizing a standard slate gray pattern, consistent with the original application of a gray slate roof at 202 Stockton Street, circa 1890. Further information regarding the roofing product can be viewed at www.davinciroofscapes.com.

Many thanks for your assistance to schedule your review at the next HPC meeting, June 16, 2011 to accommodate our construction schedule. Please feel free to contact us directly should you have any questions."

Your application was discussed at our June 16, 2011 meeting with the following commissioners: Buriak, Carney, Cox, Keith, and Pratt. Our opinion is that this work will be a welcome addition to the Stockton Street Historic District.

Sincerely,

Richard Harlan Pratt, AIA Chairman - HHPC

cc:

HHPC

George Chin – Hightstown Building Department