



**York Historical Architectural Review Board
Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2020**

Members in attendance included: Craig Zumbrun (Chair), Dennis Kunkle (Vice-Chair), Joe Downing, Mark Skehan, Mark Shermeyer, Ruth Robbins

Absent: Robyn Pottorff,

Consultant: Christine Leggio, JMT Senior Architectural Historian/ HARB Consultant

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION/RESULT
Welcome and call to order	The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. The agenda was prepared by the HARB Consultant.	
Changes to the Agenda	--	--
Minutes of October 8, 2020	--	Motion to approve was made by Mr. Kunkle and seconded by Mr. Skehan. The minutes were approved with all in favor.
Cases	The following case was presented.	The following application was approved as described below.

Case #1 -122 S Pine Street: A request by Wayne Freed for the replacement as needed of existing slate shingles on the roof of the bay window on the property.

Discussion: The applicants, Mr. and Mrs. Freed, and the contractor performing the work, Scott Matthews, were present at the meeting. Mr. Matthews described that the proposed work would involve repairing the existing slate roof on the front bay window as needed. This will include replacing slate tiles and flashing in-kind where appropriate. Mr. Matthews noted that until the work begins, it will not be possible to know the extent of the replacement needed.

The Board noted that there is concern regarding failed flashings on the roof. The Board is concerned that the condition of the flashing may require near-total removal of the historic roofing slates, which could pose difficulty in achieving a uniform appearance if many of the slates require replacement as a result. Board members noted that uniformity would be the priority, and that replacement of historic slate roofs

with new architectural shingles is frequently approved by HARB. Mr. Zumbrun noted that in-kind replacement as needed, and total replacement of the slate roofing tiles with new, architectural shingles were both appropriate approaches. Mr. Skehan noted that the repair to the roof should provide a consistent appearance and either consist entirely of slate roofing shingles or entirely of new architectural shingles – the materials should not be mixed.

The applicant noted that both approaches are feasible.

Motion: Mr. Skehan motioned to approve the application with the following amendment: if existing roofing conditions are such that a sound roof can be provided by replacing the slate shingles and existing flashing in-kind, as needed, that approach shall be utilized. If the roof conditions are such that total replacement is warranted, an architectural shingle, similar in appearance to the existing slate roof, shall be utilized for both the bay window roof and the adjoining mansard wall. Mr. Kunkle seconded.

Additional Discussion: N/A

Vote: 6-0; the motion is approved with all in favor.

Other Business: Mr. Zumbrun noted that he participated in a hearing regarding the placement of gas meters at the fronts of properties within the historic district at the request of homeowner Brian Tate. Columbia Gas has stated that they will attempt to avoid placing the meters in front of historic properties to the greatest extent possible.

Mr. Kunkle noted that new vinyl windows are being installed on the property at 428 E Philadelphia Street without prior HARB approval. Mr. Buffington has issued a stop work order and ordered that HARB approval be obtained before work may proceed.

The HARB consultant noted that a homeowner reached out to notify the HARB that the west face of the property at 243 E Market Street has been painted without prior approval. The wall that was painted was a previously unpainted brick wall that is visible from Market Street. The Board noted that the property is one of the older extant historic buildings within York and is in a very prominent location, and that its historic appearance should be protected. The Board agrees that historically unpainted masonry should remain unpainted both to maintain the historic appearance as well as to prevent damage to the historic brick. Mr. Buffington has been made aware of the violation and the concerned homeowner would like to ensure that the front of the building will not be painted as well.

Adjourning and next meeting **The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm the next scheduled meeting is set for Thursday December 10, 2020.**

Minutes recorded by Christine Leggio, JMT Senior Architectural Historian/HARB Consultant.