
**CITY OF MIDDLETOWN
DESIGN REVIEW & PRESERVATION BOARD**

MINUTES

*October-6-2004
Special Meeting*

Present

J. BIANCO, CHAIRMAN
P. EVANS
B. SHOEMAKER
J. FORTUNA
N. STAMLER
J. FRAZER
D. BROWN
B. PLUMLEY

Absent

B. KRONENBERGER

Also Present

M. WACKERS
P. PROKOP
T. GOMES

The meeting commenced at 6:00 PM.

J. Bianco moved the review of minutes until the regularly scheduled Design Review and Preservation Board meeting.

J. Bianco moved to the only new business for this special meeting.

Phyllis Prokop, the City of Middletown's purchasing agent, Tina Gomes of the Mayors office, the Deputy Chief of the Middletown Police Department and the hire architect for the project presented a proposal for a new roof for the Middletown Police Station at 222 Main Street. The roof of the Middletown Police Station that was install less than five years ago has been found to be defective and in need of replacement. The problem stems from the type of shingle that was used. The shingle that was used was untested over long periods of time and has been found to have been installed incorrectly. Now cracked and lose shingles have come undine and are literally falling from the building, as well as waters leaking into the building.

The architect hired for the project has narrowed the new type of shingling to standard architectural shingles that can be found on any home and a product called Ecostar, which looks like slate, but is a recycled material from rubber tires.

The Board feelings are that the current look of the building should be maintained or improved. This is perhaps the first public building to done correctly from a design aspect in a generation and it would be a dramatic step backwards if a new product is used on the roof that is not in keeping with the design scheme. This building is also become and recognized as a prominent landmark on Main Street and move to

The City Purchasing department and the City police Department see urgency in doing this quickly and at a reasonable cost.

The Board decided that any discussion about costs versus design could not be done in an informed manner with out knowing the cost of the project. The Board decided to table the issue until the City had received bids from contractors.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michiel Wackers, Community Development Specialist