



**Town of Amherst
Historic District Commission
October 15, 2009
Meeting Minutes**

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2 Called to order @ 7:32pm

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4 In attendance: David Clapp, Shannon Galinson (voting for Jim), Tracy
5 Veillette, Helen Rowe (Chair), Neil Benner, and Tom Grella.

6 Review of the minutes of Sept. 17

7 Motion to accept the minutes as submitted made by Helen, seconded
8 by Tom, 5 approve, 1 abstention. Minutes from the special meeting
9 held on October 5, 2009, motion to approve made by Helen Rowe,
10 seconded by Neil, 5 approve, 1 abstention.

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12 There were two requests for tree removal before the committee for the
13 month on October; both were reviewed by Perry Day, tree warden.

14 One request was at 3 Belden Mills, these trees were damaged by
15 power lines and were burnt. The second request was at 2 Sunset.

16 Both were observed by tree warden Perry Day and he recommends
17 removal. Shannon moves to approve the removal, seconded by Tom,
18 all in favor.

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20 **Jim Sickler: 166 Amherst St.**

21 Mr. Sickler would like to build a 3 bay garage 24X36, set well back
22 from the road, owner would like to use vinyl siding. Mr. Sickler has
23 been looking at houses with detached garages and has found that
24 most are sided with the same material as the house. The garage will
25 have the same type of windows as the house, with fixed grids.

26 Technically this should not be before the HDC until all the other
27 variances are approved. Neil makes a motion to approve, contingent
28 on all variances being approved, as submitted seconded by Shannon
29 all in favor.

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31 **Findings:**

32 Set 300' back from the road

33 Non-contributing property

34 Vinyl will match the house making it less conspicuous.

35 Right elevation can be seen from the road

36 House was built in 1996.

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TOWN OF AMHERST

Amherst Historic District

Certificate of Approval

Date of Approval: October 15, 2009

Owners: James I. Sickler

Map & Lot for which Approval Applies: Map 18 Lot 47

Street Address: 166 Amherst St.

Description of work: Construct 24' X 36', 3 bay garage, vinyl sided

Approval Expiration date: October 15, 2011

Construction must be completed by: October 15, 2011

Chairperson

Commencement of work: The applicant shall wait 20 calendar days after the date the Certificate of Approval is filed with Zoning Office before commencing work to allow sufficient time for any aggrieved parties to appeal the decision. Upon commencement of work, the Certificate of Approval holder shall promptly and diligently pursue completion of the work approved. Work done under a Certificate of Approval shall commence within one year of issuance of the certificate thereof unless otherwise authorized by the Commission.

Completion of Work: Work done under a Certificate of Approval shall be completed within two years of the Approval date unless otherwise authorized by the Commission. Where a Certificate of Approval holder submits a new application prior to completion of an outstanding Certificate of Approval, the Commission, prior to considering the new application, may require a showing of good cause for any unreasonable delay found by the Commission to have occurred concerning the outstanding Certificate of Approval.