

**AGENDA**  
**Amherst Historical Commission**  
**Wednesday, February 10, 2021**  
**6:30 PM**

**Zoom:** <https://amherstma.zoom.us/j/84537652521>

**Attendance:** Jane Wald, Patricia Auth, Janet Marquardt, Robin Fordham, Jane Sheffler, Hetty Startup, and Benjamin Breger (Town Staff), Nathaniel Malloy (Town Staff)

**Guests:** Hilda Greenbaum, Kate Troast

**Documents and Handouts:** Agenda, Demolition Application for 99 Dana Street, Photos x 3 of 99 Dana Street, Current draft of the Bylaw for the Preservation of Historically Significant Buildings, Demo Delay by Municipality Spreadsheet, Demo Delay Lengths for MA

**Call to Order:** 18:33

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **1. 99 Dana Street (14A-134)**

1. *Janet Marquardt moves that we grant a demolition permit for the removal of the garage at 99 Dana Street. Pat Auth seconds the motion.* Roll Call: Pat Auth, Robin Fordham, Janet Marquardt, Hetty Startup, and Jane Wald were all in favor of granting the demolition request.

## **PUBLIC MEETING**

### **1. Announcements**

1. Writers walk: The signs are being fabricated. Final review of the signs has been completed.

### **2. Civil War Tablets Update**

1. Needed to switch companies to transport the tablets from storage to the Bangs Center. In the process of finding a company that can crate and transport the tablets safely. Plan is to have the tablets moved in early March. Still looking into long-term options for displaying the tablets. Also looking into having replicas made to increase accessibility.

### **3. MHC Preservation Projects Grant**

1. Preservation Projects Fund Grant. Must have 75% of the project costs allocated before one can apply for the grant. Additionally, will not reimburse for architect costs or soft costs. Nathaniel recommends that if we want to encourage applications for this funding, we start the process now for next year.

### **4. Demolition Delay Bylaw**

1. Review of Definitions section of Bylaw.

*Note taker had to leave the meeting early at 20:15.*

### **5. Next Meeting Date** March 17, 2021