

Fire Safety Code

Board of Appeal & Review

Minutes of 11-01-05 meeting

The Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal & Review met in the Conference Room located adjacent to 55 Cedar Street, Providence, RI on Tuesday, November 1, 2005 at 1:00 PM. Present were Vice Chairman Coutu and Commissioners Blackburn, Newbrook, Preiss, Richards, Filippi and Burlingame. Also present were Executive Director Thomas Coffey, Esq. and Assistant Administrative Officer Carol Marsella. The following appeals were considered.

Appeal #050844: The Armory Revival Co., for the property located at 1266 Westminster Street in Providence. Lt. Richard Silva appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn, to give the Providence Fire Marshal the authority to issue a temporary certificate of occupancy for one of the units in this facility, providing it meets all the fire safety criteria deemed necessary by the Providence Fire Marshal's office. The motion was unanimous.

Appeal #050809: Rev. Billy Ojopi, for the property located at 161 Cross Street in Central Falls. Deputy State Fire Marshals Christine Kent and James Moore appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Vice Chairman Coutu recused himself from consideration of this

case, and Commissioner Burlingame became acting Chairman for case number 050809. Commissioner Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard, to grant the following relief. The Applicant was granted relief from the provisions of section 13.2.2.3 on the basis of structural hardship. The Board granted the Applicant a time variance of thirty days from the date of this hearing to correct deficiency #10 and 120 days from the date of this decision to correct all remaining deficiencies outstanding from the Fire Marshal's report. The Board also granted the State Fire Marshal's office the ability to issue a temporary certificate of occupancy for this facility when the State Fire Marshal's office determines that it is appropriate. The motion was unanimous.

Appeal #040304: William Lynch Esq., for the property located at 286 Main Street in Pawtucket. Deputy State Fire Marshal Vincent Quintero appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Newbrook recused himself from consideration of this case. Commissioner Burlingame made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Preiss, to grant the Applicant a variance from the provisions of sections 39.2.2.2 and 39.2.2.3 on the basis of structural hardship. The motion was unanimous.

Appeal #040308: Mr. Russell Williams and Ms. Marcia Meade, for the property located at 280 Pequot Avenue in Warwick. Chief of Inspections William Howe appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Burlingame made a motion, seconded by

Commissioner Filippi, to grant the Applicant thirty (30) days in which to obtain estimates for the sprinkler system for this facility, and an additional 120 days in which to have the compliant system installed and tested. This file is to remain open. The motion was unanimous.

Appeal #040316: Executive Director Clark Lamboy, for the property located at 548 Providence Street in Woonsocket. DSFM Joseph Spizzirri and Chief William Howe appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. A motion was made by Commissioner Newbrook, seconded by Commissioner Burlingame, to grant the Applicant relief from the provisions of section 4.1.1 of NFPA 96 to allow the residential stove to remain in place. The motion was unanimous.

Appeal #050631: Mr. John Restivo, Jr., for the property located at 295 Scituate Avenue in Johnston. ADSFM Carlo Jacavone appeared for the Johnston Fire Marshal's office. A motion was made by Commissioner Preiss, seconded by Commissioner Newbrook, to approve the Applicant's plan of action for the second floor of this facility to include the requested door and the new stair. A variance was granted for the existing stair dimensions on the basis of structural hardship. The motion was unanimous.

Appeal #050566: Mr. Ed Pontarelli, (Delta Auto Body and Sales), for the property located at 42 Starr Street in Johnston. Commissioner Burlingame made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Newbrook, to grant the Applicant a time variance of 120 days to correct all cited

deficiencies in this facility. The motion was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Marsella