

The Rhode Island Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal & Review met at their headquarters located at 1 Regan Court, Varley Building #46, Cranston, RI on Tuesday, July 17, 2007 at 1:00 P.M. Present were Chairman Coutu, Vice Chairman Newbrook and Commissioners Preiss, Jackson, Jasparro, Blackburn, Filippi, Pearson and Walker. Also present were Executive Director Thomas Coffey and Assistant Administrative Officer Carol Marsella. The following cases were heard.

APPEAL # 050336 : Mr. Clinton Pearson, for the property located at 2538 East Main Road, Portsmouth. ADSFM Phil Simmons appeared for the Portsmouth Fire Marshal's office. It was determined that this facility needed to be re-inspected by the AHJ and would return before the Board on August 21, 2007. No further determination was made at this time.

APPEAL #050345: Mr. Michael Leber, for the property located at 2967 East Main Road, Portsmouth. ADSFM Phil Simmons appeared for the Portsmouth Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi, to grant the following relief for this facility which appears on the National Historic Register. The Applicant is granted a variance for the means of egress from each of the units as well as for the sliding exit doors, there being no objection by the AHJ. The Applicant is granted a time variance of one year in which to correct all remaining deficiencies. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #070281: Mr. Richard Santaniello, for the property located at 1872 Smith Street in North Providence. ADSFMs Wheeler and Unsworth appeared for the North Providence Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pearson, to grant the following relief. The Applicant is granted a variance from the provisions of section 31.1.2.3. The Applicant is further granted a time variance of 120 days from the date of the decision in which to bring this facility into compliance, and the North Providence Fire Marshal's office is granted the authority to extend the above deadline for good faith efforts shown. The North Providence Fire Marshal is also granted the authority to issue a temporary certificate of occupancy for this facility when it is deemed appropriate. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #050190A: Mr. Charles Samos, for the property located at 150 Waterman Street, Providence. DSFM Arthur DaCosta appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. It was determined that the Applicant shall return to the Board on August 28, 2007 with his plan of action for this facility. No further action was taken at this time.

APPEAL #070292: Mr. Turner C. Scott, for the property located at 50-52 Spring Street, Newport. ADSFM Brad Cronin appeared for the Newport Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Jaspardo made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Newbrook, to allow the Applicant to post the capacity of this Visitor Center at 49 persons. The motion

was unanimous.

APPEAL #070311: Mr. Robert W. Estman, Jr., for the property located at 198 Smith Street, Providence. ADSFM Michael Brown appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's office. Vice Chairman Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jasparro, to grant the following relief. The Applicant is granted a variance based upon structural hardship from the provisions of section 7.2.2.2.4.3 for the existing winders and a variance from the provisions of section 7.2.1.4.3 for the front door. The Applicant is granted a variance to allow him to develop a plan of action for alternative compliance for the two open exit stairs in this facility. The Applicant is further granted a time variance to correct the remainder of the deficiencies in this facility according to the following time line. The Applicant is granted 30 days in which to provide his plan for the sprinkler and fire alarm systems and a further 120 days from the initial 30 days in which to have these compliant systems installed. The Providence Fire Marshal's office is granted the authority to extend the above timeline for good faith shown. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #070363: Titan Roofing Inc., for the property located at 239 Westminster Street, Providence. ADSFM George Calise appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jackson to approve the Applicant's plan of action for setting up and running a hot tar kettle on the roof of the Peerless building for the purpose of roof repair.

This plan of action may include a firefighter detail if required by the Providence Fire Marshal's office for each instance of roof repair. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #070324: Brewster Thornton Group, for the property located at 341 South Main Street, Coventry. ADSFM Tucker appeared for the Coventry Fire District Fire Marshal's office. Vice Chairman Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Walker, to grant the Applicant's requested variance from the provisions of section 7.2.2.2.1 as to the existing staircase that leads to the existing choir loft. The motion was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

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