

**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, October 30, 2007 at 1:00 P.M. Present were Chairman Coutu, Vice Chairman Newbrook and Commissioners O'Connell, Pearson, Preiss, Walker, Jackson, Jasparro, Richard, Filippi and Blackburn. Also present were Executive Director Thomas Coffey and Assistant Administrative Officer Carol Marsella. The following cases were heard.**

**APPEAL # 050051 : Director Peter Lee, for the property located at 81 Parade Street, Providence. DSFM David Cionfola appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Jackson made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Newbrook, to allow the facility to maintain its current operation with the installation of battery operated smoke detection in the bedrooms and common rooms. DSFM Cionfola will inspect the companion facility located at Higgins Street in Providence and will compile an inspection report that will encompass both facilities. The Applicant will return before the Board on or before April 30, 2008 to report on the status of, and plan of action for, both facilities. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #050349: Mr. Alan Brunelle, for the property located at 81 Broad Street in Cumberland. ADSFM James Conway appeared for the Valley Falls Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn, to address the void under the stairway, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the**

**Valley Falls Fire Marshal's office. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #060159: Anne Ramsey Cuvelier, for the property located at 72 Washington Street, Newport. ADSFM Brad Cronin appeared for the Newport Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Richard made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Newbrook and Commissioner Filippi, to authorize the AHJ to re-inspect this facility as a Bed and Breakfast occupancy with sixteen (16) rooms, pursuant to the Applicant's agreement to reduce the availability of rooms for rent to sixteen (16) or fewer. The Applicant will install detection in all vacant rooms. The Applicant is granted a time variance until May 31, 2008 to first submit her plan of action for this facility to the AHJ, and to then install a compliant fire alarm system in this facility. The AHJ may extend the above time variance for good faith efforts shown. The motion passed over the opposition vote of Commissioner Blackburn.**

**APPEAL #050471: The Episcopal Diocese of RI, for the property located at 62 Church Lane, North Kingstown. ADSFM Gordon Walsh appeared for the North Kingstown Fire Marshal's office. It was determined that an on-site inspection of this facility will take place on December 11, 2007. No decision was made at this time.**

**APPEAL #050600: The North Kingstown Chamber of Commerce, for the property located at 8045 Post Road, North Kingstown. ADSFM Gordon Walsh appeared for the North Kingstown Fire Marshal's office. The Applicant failed to appear. Vice Chairman Newbrook**

made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Jasparro and Richard, to grant the Applicant a variance until January 1, 2008, at which time the AHJ will review this facility under the provisions of the rules and regulations in effect at that time. The motion was unanimous, and this file is closed.

**APPEAL #060794:** Mr. Cezar L. Ferreira, for the property located at 421 Hope Street, Providence. DSFM James Moore appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Walker made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi, to grant a variance from the provisions of 7.1.3.2.1 in order to allow the cited restroom to be maintained as is. The motion was unanimous.

**APPEAL #070414:** Mr. Joseph Raymond, for the property located at 26 East Avenue, Harrisville (also known as 115 Central Street, Harrisville). Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn, to grant the Applicant a time variance of 12 months to upgrade the existing sprinkler system per the Applicant's plan of action for this facility. The motion was unanimous.

**APPEAL #070505:** Mr. Ed Wojcik, for the property located at 2082 Wallum Lake Road, Pascoag. DSFM Wade Palazini appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Vice Chairman Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioners O'Connell and Jasparro, to grant the Applicant requested variances on the basis of structural hardship. The motion was unanimous.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Carol Marsella**

**Assistant Administrative Officer**