

**Fire Safety Code Board
Of Appeal and Review
Hearing Minutes for January 27, 2009**

The Rhode Island Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal & Review met at their headquarters located at 1 Regan Court, Varley Building #46, in Cranston, RI on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 at 1:00 P.M. Present were Chairman Coutu, Vice Chairman Newbrook and Commissioners Dias, Filippi, Pearson, Preiss, Blackburn and Richard. Commissioners Walker, Jasparro and Jackson were absent. Also present were Executive Director Thomas Coffey and Deputy Director Carol Marsella. The following cases were heard.

APPEAL #090026: Providence Preservation Society, for the property located at 25 Holden Street, Providence. ADSFM Timothy Lutz, Sr., appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's office. Vice Chairman Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard, to grant the Applicant a one-day temporary certificate of occupancy for assembly use for the Society's annual event, and further grants the Providence Fire Marshal's office the authority to approve a one-day temporary certificate of occupancy for this event on an annual basis, with any additional fire safety provisions deemed necessary by that office. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #050884: Mr. Anthony Rouhana, for the property located at 120-122 Samuel Avenue, Pawtucket. ADSFM Jeffrey Johnson

appeared for the Pawtucket Fire Marshal's office. The Applicant was directed to obtain written estimates for the required work and return with those estimates to the Board on March 10, 2009.

APPEAL #070247: Mr. David Rousseau, for the property located at 671 Broadway, Pawtucket. ADSFM Jeffrey Johnson appeared for the Pawtucket Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi, to grant the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days in which to install a remote shut-off switch for the boiler at the top of the basement stairs, and a time variance of thirty (30) days in which to provide the Pawtucket Fire Marshal's office with plans for the correction of the remaining deficiencies in this facility. The Applicant is granted an additional 120 days from the initial thirty-day period in which to implement the plan of action approved by the Pawtucket Fire Marshal's office. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060578: Ms. Merrilee Zellner, for the property located at 16 Howard Street, Newport. ADSFM Wayne Clark and ADSFM Kevin Garcia appeared for the Newport Fire Marshal's office. The Applicant failed to appear, and this facility will be rescheduled during the tourist season, sometime after May of 2009.

APPEAL #070585: Mr. Gary Hooks, for the property located at 458-462 Thames Street, Newport. ADSFM Wayne Clark and ADSFM Kevin Garcia appeared for the Newport Fire Marshal's office.

Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dias, to grant the Applicant the following relief. The Applicant is granted a variance to allow him to maintain the cited doors in the existing door jambs. The Applicant is directed to install a municipal fire alarm system throughout this facility and is granted a variance not to install sprinklers based on the above installation. If in the future this facility reverts from a town house to commercial usage, sprinklers must be installed. The motion passed over the opposition of Commissioner Blackburn.

APPEAL #050249B: Mr. Paul Fagan, for the property located at 15 Wickham Road in Newport (Rogers High School).

APPEAL #080359: Mr. Paul Fagan, for the property located at 35 Dexter Street in Newport (Sullivan School).

APPEAL #050248B: Mr. Paul Fagan, for the property located at 90 Harrison Avenue in Newport (Underwood School).

APPEAL #040321B: Mr. Paul Fagan, for the property located at 15 Cranston Avenue, Newport (Cranston-Calvert School).

APPEAL# 040323B: Mr. Paul Fagan, for the property located at 27 Narragansett Avenue, Newport (Carey School).

APPEAL #040324B: Mr. Paul Fagan, for the property located at 130 Van Zandt Avenue, Newport (Coggeshall School).

The Newport Superintendent of Schools also appeared, along with ADSFM Wayne Clark of the Newport Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Vice

Chairman Newbrook, to approve the plans of action for these schools, and to maintain these as open files. The motion was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Marsella

Deputy Director