

Fire Safety Code

Board of Appeal & Review

Minutes of the 10-5-10 hearing

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, October 5, 2010 at 1:00 P.M. Present were Vice Chairman Newbrook and Commissioners Richard, Blackburn, Fillippi, Preiss and Dias. Chairman Coutu and Commissioners Pearson, Jackson, Jasparro and Walker were absent. Also present were Executive Director Thomas B. Coffey, Jr. and Administrative Assistant Desiree Campanini. The following cases were heard.

APPEAL #100230: Mr. Steven Guglielmo, for the property located at 140 Natick Avenue, Cranston. A representative from the State Fire Marshal's Office was in attendance. The Board granted the Applicant a variance to allow the office space to remain as is on the second floor as long as the Applicant does not use the second floor space as a daycare. The Applicant was granted a time variance by the Board to correct any outstanding deficiencies in this facility.

APPEAL #060962A: Mr. David Labossiere, for the property located at 98 Roosevelt Avenue, Pascoag. Representatives from the Pascoag Fire Marshal's Office were in attendance. The Board granted no motion at this time. It was determined by the Board that the Pascoag

Fire Marshal's Office and the Applicant must set up a meeting with Chief of Inspections, Scott Caron of the State Fire Marshal's Office, to work out a detailed agreement regarding the procedures for this facility when having any functions at this facility and what would be required by the Applicant from the Pascoag Fire Marshal's Office. If the State Fire Marshal's Office advises the parties to return to the Board for any reason, at that time the Board must be notified, to reschedule a new hearing date for the above property.

APPEAL#100211: Town of North Smithfield, for the property located at 575 Smithfield Road, North Smithfield. A representative from the North Smithfield Fire Marshal's Office was in attendance. The Board granted the Applicant a variance to use the N.F.P.A. 2009 edition of the fire code. The Board also granted the Applicant a time variance of 30 days to work out a plan of action with the North Smithfield Fire Marshal's Office in which to make the necessary corrections to bring this facility into compliance.

APPEAL #100212: Town of North Smithfield, for the property located at 281 Quaker Highway, North Smithfield. A representative from the North Smithfield Fire Marshal's Office was in attendance. The Board granted the Applicant a certain time variance to submit a plan of action to address the lack of a fire suppression system and to make the necessary corrections to bring this facility into compliance.

APPEAL #100219: Ms. Madeline Ray, for the property located at 166

Waterman Street, Providence. A representative from the Providence Fire Marshal's Office was in attendance. At this time, it was determined by the Board no motion would be taken and the parties should return to the Board on November 30, 2010 with a detailed plan of action for the corrections of the deficiencies cited by the Providence Fire Marshal's Office.

APPEAL #100220: Mr. Fernandes, for the property located at 11 Curran Brook Court, Cumberland. A representative of the State Fire Marshal's Office was in attendance. The Board grant the Applicant time variance to work out a plan of action with the State Fire Marshal's Office which will allow the Applicant to modify the fire alarm system by disconnecting the horn and strobe lights on the outside of this facility during a fire drills only. Also correct any outstanding deficiencies in this facility.

APPEAL #100128: Mr. Joseph Costanzo, for the property located at 735 New London Avenue, Cranston. A representative of the State Fire Marshal's Office was in attendance. The Board granted the Applicant a certain time variance in which to have a fully complaint sprinkler system installed into this facility.

APPEAL #100002: Mr. Angelo Giarrusso, for the property located at 21 Mill Street, Johnston. A representative from the Johnston Fire Marshal's Office was in attendance. The Board granted the applicant a time variance to work out a plan of action with Johnston Fire

Marshal's Office and make any necessary corrections to bring this facility into compliance with the fire code.

APPEAL #100222: Ocean State Peeled Potatoes, Inc., for the property located at 1587 Plainfield Pike, Johnston. A representative from the Johnston Fire Marshal's Office was in attendance. The Board granted the Applicant a time variance to submit a plan of action to the Johnston Marshal's Office to correct all outstanding deficiencies cited by the Johnston Fire Marshal's Office which will bring this facility into compliance.

APPEAL #100245: Mr. Kyle Naylor, for the property located at 49 Old Pocasset Road, Johnston. A representative from the State Fire Marshal's Office was in attendance. The Board granted the Applicant a time variance in which to make the necessary corrections to bring this facility into full compliance. The Applicant also was granted a variance from the Board allowing the Applicant to keep the paper mural on the walls and must mark all exit doors with signage on the Alzheimer's unit at the direction of the State Fire Marshal's Office.

APPEAL #100246: Mr. Jason Iacobucci, for the property located at 54 Troy/230 Oak Street, Providence. A representative from the Providence Fire Marshal's Office was in attendance. The Board granted the Applicant a time variance to install a fully connected municipal fire alarm system throughout this facility which will bring this facility into full compliance.

Old Business

APPEAL #080234: The Board reviewed its prior decision regarding the property located at 735 East Main Road, Middletown. It was determined by the Board that the code does not require a full fire suppression system at a full service gas station. Accordingly, the motion was made by Commissioner Dias and seconded by Commissioners Fillippi, Blackburn and Richard to modify the original decision. The motion was unanimous.

The State Fire Marshal's Office presented the Board with its proposed plan review modification of NFPA 101 Section 1.14. Upon reviewing, the Board reserves sections 1.14.3.6 and 1.14.3.6.1 and its stated exceptions in the next paragraph. The Board reserved these sections for further review of the A.F. license system. Accordingly, a motion was made Commissioner Richard and seconded by Commissioner Richard to adopt the State Fire Marshal's Office proposal with the above section.

Respectfully submitted,

Desiree Campanini