

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, May 24, 2011 at 1:00 P.M. Present were Chairman Newbrook and Vice Chairperson Filippi and Commissioners Preiss, Blackburn, Richard, Jasparro, Walker and Dias. Commissioners Jackson and Pearson were absent. Also present were Executive Director Thomas B. Coffey, Jr. and Administrative Assistant Desiree Campanini.

The following cases were heard.

APPEAL #080118: Mr. Wilfred F. Cardin, for the property located at 4 Woonsocket Hill Road, North Smithfield. ADSFM Brian Gartland appeared for the North Smithfield Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn to grant the Applicant a variance from the second means of egress from the second floor due to this facility being a historic structure. There was no objection from the North Smithfield Fire Marshal's Office. The Board granted the Applicant a time variance of fifteen (15) days for the installation of fire extinguishers at the direction and to the satisfaction of the North Smithfield Fire Marshal's Office. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #090103: Mr. Michael Clifford, for the property located at 160 Great Road, North Smithfield. ADSFM Brian Gartland appeared for the North Smithfield Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Blackburn

made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jasparro to grant the Applicant a variance to allow the buildings on the Applicant's property to be considered as two (2) separate structures. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #110090: Mita Enterprises of RI, for the property located at 1778 Mineral Spring Avenue, North Providence. ADSFM John Horan appeared for the North Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Richard made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Walker to grant the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days to submit a plan of action to the North Providence Fire Marshal's Office for the installation of a fire alarm system and ansul system in this facility and an additional 150 days to implement that plan and to leave this file open. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #080152: The Applicant did not appear, for the property located at 403 Park Avenue, Woonsocket. ADSFM Frank Dunton appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office. The Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office advised the Board that the fire marshal and the Applicant have work out a plan of action to bring this facility into compliance within (120) days and would request the Board close this file at that time. Vice Chairperson Filippi made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jasparro to accept the Applicant's plan of action, with the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office authorized to extend the above deadline, if a good faith effort is being shown by the Applicant. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #080037: Flock Tex Inc., for the property located at 200 Founders Drive, Woonsocket. ADSFM Francis Dunton appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office. Chairman Newbrook recused himself from consideration of this case. Commissioner Walker made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard to grant the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days to submit a plan of action to the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office for the installation fire alarm system and an additional 120 days to implement that plan, with the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's Office authorized to extend the above deadlines, if a good faith effort is being shown by the Applicant. The motion passed.

APPEAL #110076: Ms. Shirley Lawson, for the property located at 125 North Broadway, East Providence. ADSFM Oscar Elmasian and ADSFM James Bellamy appeared for the East Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Walker recused himself from consideration of this case. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard to grant the Applicant a variance on the dimensions of the handrails in the front entrance of this facility. The Board granted the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days to submit a plan of action to the East Providence Fire Marshal's Office for the installation of a fire alarm system and any other outstanding deficiencies in this facility and an additional 150 days to implement that plan, with the East Providence Fire Marshal's Office authorized to extend the above deadlines, if a good faith effort is

being made by the Applicant. The Board advised the Applicant that the lower level of this facility will have a limited occupancy of (49) people and must be posted at the direction and to the satisfaction of the East Providence Fire Marshal's Office. The motion passed.

APPEAL #110050: Mr. Thomas West, for the property located at 389-391 Bullocks Point Avenue, East Providence. ADSFM Oscar Elmasian and ADSFM James Bellamy appeared for the East Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Walker recused himself from consideration of this case. Commissioner Richard made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jasparro to grant the Applicant a variance due to structural hardship from the swing of the basement door over the stairway that has no landing on either side of the door and a variance for the second handrail being installed in the front stairway leading to the second floor that might compromise the width of the stairway. The Board granted the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days to submit a plan of action to the East Providence Fire Marshal's Office to correct any other outstanding deficiencies in this facility and an additional 150 days to implement that plan, with the East Providence Fire Marshal's Office authorized to extend the above deadlines, if a good faith effort is being shown by the Applicant. The motion passed.

APPEAL #050062 and 090007: The Applicant was not in attendance for the property located at 17 Barton Avenue, Barrington. DSFM Paul Manning appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Chief Gerald

Bessette and ADSFM Edward Owens appeared for the Barrington Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairperson Filippi to close the above files. The Board advised the State Fire Marshal's Office if the Applicant needs to return before the Board for either file, they may do so under File #090007. The motion was unanimous.

The Rhode Island Marina Trade Association and the State Fire Marshal's Office submitted an amended copy of the original guidelines for compliance of marinas and boatyards plan of action for approval by the Board. Commissioner Jaspardo made a motion to accept the revised copy of the plan of action, seconded by Commissioner Walker and Vice Chairperson Filippi. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #050072 (1), 050072 (2) and 050072 (3): Brewer Cove Haven Marina, for the property located at 101 Narragansett Avenue, Barrington. Commissioner Walker made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jassparro and Vice Chairperson Filippi to grant the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days to submit a plan of action to State Fire Marshal's Office for the installation of the fire alarm system and to correct any outstanding deficiencies in this facility and an additional 150 days to implement that plan. The Board advised the Applicant and the State Fire Marshal's Office to return to the Board within (90) days on August 23, 2011 with the Applicant's research on the outstanding sprinkler system and water issue. The motion was

unanimous.

Old Business:

Subcommittee report: Commissioner Walker made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn to accept the subcommittee's recommendations for the property located at 504 Mary Street, Newport (File #070210). The motion was unanimous.

Subcommittee report: Vice Chairperson Filippi made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jasparro to accept the subcommittee's recommendations for the property located at 307 Great Road, Narragansett (File #060164). The motion passed with Commissioner Blackburn opposing the vote.

Respectfully submitted

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