

**The Rhode Island Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review met at its headquarters located at 1 Regan Court, Varley Building #46, in Cranston, RI on Tuesday, September 10, 2013 at 1:00 P.M. Present were Chairman Newbrook, Vice Chairperson Filippi and Commissioners Booth, Pearson, Thornton, Jackson, Richard, Blackburn, Burlingame and Sylvester. Commissioner Walker was absent from the hearing. Also present were Executive Director Thomas B. Coffey, Jr. and Administrative Assistant Desiree Campanini.**

**The following cases were heard.**

**APPEAL #130141: Prudence Improvement Association, for the property located at 620 Narragansett Avenue, Prudence Island. DSFM Cynthia Dehler appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Sylvester made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Booth and Thornton, to accept the Applicant's plan of action to have limited occupancy of 148 people in that facility. The Board granted the Applicant a variance from code section 23.28.6.21 (5) due to this facility being opened only on a seasonal basis. The Board directed the Applicant to install smoke detectors throughout this facility at the direction and to the satisfaction of the State Fire Marshal's Office. The motion was unanimous.**

**APPEAL #120130A: Ms. Michelle Tuck, for the property located at 93-95 Hope Street, Providence. ADSFM Raymond Pacheco appeared**

for the Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Burlingame made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard, to grant the Applicant a final time extension from a previous decision (file#120130A) until January 31, 2013 to bring this facility into full compliance. The motion was unanimous.

**APPEAL #130137:** Mr. Robert Blood, for the property located at 20 Liberty Street, Newport. ADSFM Christopher Mahoney appeared for the Newport Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Sylvester made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, to accept the Applicant's plan of action to bring this facility into compliance as an Existing Bed and Breakfast Home. The motion passed with Vice Chairperson Filippi and Commissioners Pearson, Burlingame and Blackburn opposing the vote.

**APPEAL #120093A:** Mr. John Lynch, for the property located at 333 School Street, Pawtucket. DSFM Michael Macaruso appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Booth recused himself from consideration of this case. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sylvester, to grant the Applicant additional time from a previous decision (file #120093) of thirty (30) days to submit a plan of action to the State Fire Marshal's Office and an additional 120 days to implement that plan, for the installation of a municipally connected fire alarm system in this facility. The Board authorized the State Fire Marshal's Office to extend the above deadlines, if a good faith effort is being shown by the Applicant. The

**motion passed.**

**APPEAL #130144: Mr. Edward Shore, for the property located at 500 Callahan Road, North Kingstown. DSFM Michael Macaruso appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Blackburn 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 State Fire Marshal's Office for the installation of a fire alarm system in this facility and an additional 120 days to implement that plan. The Board advised the Applicant and the State Fire Marshal's Office that this file will remain open, if either party needs to return to the Board for any reason. The motion passed with Commissioner Sylvester abstaining from the vote.**

**APPEAL #130145: Mr. Nick Tanionos, for the property located at 192 Smith Street, North Kingstown. DSFM Michael Macaruso appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Booth to grant the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days to submit a plan of action to the State Fire Marshal's Office for the installation of a local fire alarm system and to install a compliant exit door to create a second means of egress from this facility and an additional 150 days to implement this plan, with the State Fire Marshal's Office authorized to extend the above deadlines, if a good faith effort is being shown by the Applicant.**

**APPEAL #130142: Mr. Joseph Costanzo, for the property located at 735 London Avenue, Cranston. Chief James Gumbley and DSFM Cynthia Dehler appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Blackburn recused himself from consideration of this case. Commissioner Burlingame made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Booth, to accept the plan of action to ratify a decision to re- classify this building an Existing Detention and Correction Facility. The Board granted the Applicant a time variance of 120 days for the installation of a sprinkler system in this facility and to correct any outstanding deficiencies in this facility. The Board granted the State Fire Marshal's Office authorization to extend the above deadline, if a good faith is being shown by the Applicant. The motion passed.**

**Old Business:**

**Commissioner Richard made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairperson Filippi, to accept the recommendations of the subcommittee, to grant the Applicant's request for a time variance of five (5) years to complete the Applicant's proposed plan of action for the property located at 450 Elmgrove Avenue Providence (Hebrew Day School). The motion was unanimous.**

**Respectfully submitted**

**Desiree Campanini**

# **Administrative Assistant**