

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, April 8, 2014 at 1:00 P.M. Present were Chairman Newbrook, Vice Chairperson Filippi and Commissioners Booth, Pearson, Sylvester, Jackson, Thornton, Blackburn and Burlingame. Commissioners Walker and Richard were absent. Also present were Peter Dennehy Esq., and Administrative Assistant Desiree Campanini.

The following cases were heard.

APPEAL #140027: Homewood Suites by Hilton, for the property located at 348 West Main Road, Middletown. Chief Ronald Doire and ADSFM John Reese appeared for the Middletown Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Sylvester made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pearson, to grant the Applicant a variance to relocate the CO detectors to the outside of the laundry room entrance within fourteen (14) days from the date of this hearing. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL 140024: Mr. Jonathan DePault, for the property located at 41 Cherrydale Court, Cranston. DSFM Christopher Moore appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Sylvester made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairperson Filippi and Commissioner Booth, to grant the Applicant a variance to maintain a single means of egress from the second floor of this facility. The Board granted the

Applicant a time variance to provide the existing wooden doors leading into the primary egress with an approved fire rating of 20-minutes on both side of these doors, with self-closing devices. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #140032: Electronic Alarms, for the property located at 1 Chestnut Street, Providence. ADSFM Christopher Dillon appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thornton, to grant the Applicant a variance which will allow the Applicant to use existing junction boxes with red covers, with tamper proof screws. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #140030: Ms. Brenda Simonelli, for the property located at 33 Lambert Lind Highway, Warwick. ADSFM Peter Marietti appeared for the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Booth, to grant the Applicant a variance to reduce the minimum horizontal separation between structures from 20 feet to 6 feet. The Board also granted the Applicant a variance which will allow an increase in the maximum area of playground structures. The Board granted the Applicant a variance not to provide a standby power system for any air-supported and air-inflated structures. In granting the Applicant this relief, the Board directs that the following conditions must be met: the facility shall meet all other requirements for special amusement buildings in accordance with NFPA 101 section 12.43.7; the staff members are

instructed in approved crowd management training; that the facility implements a policy that all occupants will be provided with evacuation instructions prior to entering the facility; that each air-supported and air-inflated structure is provided with not less than two blower units. The motion passed with Commissioners Pearson and Sylvester opposing the vote.

Respectfully submitted

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