

**The Rhode Island Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review met at its headquarters located at 2 Regan Court, Mathias Building #56, in Cranston, RI on Tuesday, December 2, 2014 at 1:00 P.M.**

**Called To Order:**

**Chairman Newbrook called the meeting to order at 1:05 P.M.**

**Roll Call:**

**Present were Chairman Newbrook and Commissioners Booth, Thornton, Jackson, Filippi and Pearson.**

**Absent were Vice Chairman Blackburn and Commissioners Richard, Walker and Sylvester.**

**Also present were Executive Director W. Keith Burlingame, Esq. and Administrative Assistant Desiree Campanini.**

**New Business:**

**APPEAL#140128A: Thomas Amaral, for the property located at 49 Ames Street, Coventry. ADSFM David Godin appeared for the Central Coventry Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, to grant the Applicant a**

**time variance of thirty (30) days to submit a plan of action to the Central Coventry Fire Marshal's Office correct all deficiencies noted in the marshal's inspection report with an additional one hundred and fifty (150) days to implement that plan, with the Central Coventry Fire Marshal's Office authorized to extended the above deadlines, if a good faith effort is being shown by the Applicant. The Board granted the applicant a variance to allow the existing stairwells to remain in use as is, due to structural hardship. The Applicant was granted a variance on the existing handrails to remain in, due to structural hardship use. The motion passed unanimously.**

**APPEAL # 140129: Mr. John Obiurka, for the property located at 160 Foster Center Avenue, Foster. DSFM Cynthia Dehler appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Booth and Filippi, to accept the Applicant's proposed plan of action and granted the Applicant a time variance until start of 2015 school year to bring this facility into compliance, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the State Fire Marshal's Office. The motion passed unanimously.**

**APPEAL #140139: 80 R.I Avenue, LLC, for the property located at 80 Rhode Island Avenue, Newport. ADSFM Christopher Mahoney appeared for the Newport Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thornton, to accept the Applicant propose plan of action for extensive renovations**

and allow the existing building to remain in use until September 1, 2015, at the time the building will become vacant. The Applicant will not be able to occupy this building until a new certificate of occupancy is approved by the Newport Fire Marshal's Office. The Board granted the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days from the date of this hearing to repair and maintain the existing fire escape at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Newport Fire Marshal's Office. The motion passed unanimously.

**APEAL #140141:** St. James Church, for the property located at 474 Fruit Avenue, North Providence. ADSFM John Horan appeared for the North Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Jackson made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Thornton and Booth, 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 following issues; treatment of all interior finishes in the assembly area throughout this facility with a intumescent paint, to install approved emergency lighting in this facility, removing the exit sign located over the storage room and to install a fully compliant fire alarm system in this facility at the direction and to the satisfaction of the North Providence Fire Marshal's Office. The North Providence Fire Marshal's Office has the authority to extend the above deadlines, if a good faith effort is being shown by the Applicant. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPEAL #140142:** Mr. Joseph Blake, for the property located at 955

**Sandy Lane, Warwick. ADSFM Peter Marietti and ADSFM Jeffrey McGuire appeared for the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Booth, to grant the Applicant request for relief to be allowed to use PVC piping in lieu of metal raceway for the fire alarm system installation in the pool area and the mechanical room, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. The motion passed unanimously.**

**APPEAL #140143: Mr. Joseph Blake, for the property located at 975 Sandy Lane, Warwick. ADSFM Peter Marietti and ADSFM Jeffrey McGuire appeared for the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Booth and Filippi, to grant the Applicant request for relief from installing sprinkler coverage over the ice surfaces of this facility at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Warwick Fire Marshal's Office. In granting this relief the Board notes that the spaces between the "Astro-Rink" insulation material and the roofs above will be provided with sprinkler protection. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Old Business:**

**Fire Board and Rehabilitation Board 2015 Calendar will be posted.**

**Correspondences / Announcements:**

**Tentative Christmas party will be held on December 16, 2014.**

**Open Forum / Public Comment:**

**Adjournment:**

**Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thornton to adjourn meeting at 2:25 P.M.**