

**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, June 9, 2015 at 1:00 P.M.**

**Called To Order:**

**Chairman Newbrook called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M.**

**Roll Call:**

**Present were Chairman Newbrook, Vice Chairman Blackburn and Commissioners Booth, Jackson, Sylvester, Richard and Pearson.**

**Absent from today's hearing were Commissioners Thornton, Walker and Filippi.**

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

**New Business:**

**Commissioner Sylvester made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Pearson and Jackson, to accept the Subcommittee's recommendations for proposed Rules and Regulation of the 2015 RI fire Code. The motion passed (6) to (0), with Commissioner Booth recusing himself from consideration of this case.**

**Heather Daglieri, Esq. and Steven Denoyelle appeared for BHDDH.**

**Chief Octavio Vieira appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. At this time the Board was given a verbal six (6) month detailed progress report regarding Blanket Variance 09-03C with no objection from the State Fire Marshal's Office. At this time, the Board did not take action, the Board advised the representatives of BHDDH to return to the Board on December 15, 2015, with updated report and request more time if needed. The State Fire Marshal's Office has no objection to the Applicant request.**

**APPEAL #150051A: University of Rhode Island Public Safety, for the property located at 1 Lincoln Almond Plaza, Kingston. Deputy Chief James Gumbley and DSFM Christopher Moore appeared for the State Marshal's Office. Commissioner Sylvester made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Richard, to accept the Applicant's proposed plan of action, with limited occupancy on level one (1) including the arena floor to have two thousand six hundred (2600) people and reducing level two (2) occupancy to one thousand two hundred and fifty (1,250) people and eliminating level three (3) occupancy to remain in place until November 26, 2015 or the smoke ejection system is restored at the direction and to the satisfaction of the State Fire Marshal's Office. The motion passed on a (6) to (0) vote with Vice Chairman recusing from consideration of this case.**

**APPEAL #150051A: 80 Rhode Island Ave., 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 Commissioners Booth and Sylvester, to grant the Applicant a request for an additional time variance to maintain occupancy until October 31, 2015, at this time the Applicant will vacate this facility to undergo extensive renovations that will bring this facility into compliance with RI Fire Code, with no objection from the Newport Fire Marshal's Office. The motion passed unanimously.**

**APPEAL#150064: Trustees of Tiverton Library, for the property located 34 Roosevelt Avenue, Tiverton. ADSFM Daniel Murphy appeared for the Tiverton Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Jackson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard, to grant the Applicant variance to allow the Tiverton Library to open on June 13, 2015 for the ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony. The Applicant must provide a fire watch one (1) hour before the event opens to the public and to remain one (1) hour after the event ends to the public. In granting the above relief, the Tiverton Library will be allowed to open and be occupied by staff member only, during normal work hours until the new fire pump has been installed, at the direction and satisfaction of Tiverton Fire Marshal's Office. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Old Business:**

**Commissioner Sylvester made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jackson approve the Fire Board Minutes for June 2, 2015. The**

**motion passed unanimously.**

**Correspondences / Announcements: The Governor has hired a new Division Director for the Department of Administration, meeting have been set-up for Monday and Tuesday to meet with the new Director.**

**Chief James Gumbley announced that Deputy State Fire Marshal Cynthia Dehler has resigned from her position at the Fire Marshal's Office as of Friday June 12, 2015.**

**Open Forum / Public Comment:**

**Adjournment:**

**Commissioner Pearson made a motion seconded by Commissioner Richard to adjourn the meeting at 2:35 P.M.**