

## **Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review Minutes:**

**September 15, 2015**

**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, September 15, 2015, at 1:00 P.M.**

### **Call to Order:**

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

### **Roll Call:**

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

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

**Minutes: A motion was made by Commissioner Thornton and seconded by Commissioner Richard to accept the September 1, 2015, minutes as written. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **New Business:**

**APPEAL #150084: Patrick Collins and Vince Watchorn, appeared for the property located at 660 Waterman Avenue, East Providence (Lund**

Hall). ADSFM James Bellamy and ADSFM Kenneth Bothelho appeared for the East Providence Fire Marshal's Office. The Applicant was advised to return to the Board on October 20, 2015 with a plan of action to bring this facility into compliance. At this time no motion was taken by the Board.

**APPEAL #150085:** Patrick Collins and Vince Watchorn, appeared for the property located at 660 Waterman Avenue, East Providence (Evan R West Field House and Annex). ADSFM James Bellamy and ADSFM Kenneth Bothelho appeared for the East Providence Fire Marshal's Office. The Applicant was advised to return to the Board on October 20, 2015 with a plan of action to bring this facility into compliance. At this time no motion was taken by the Board.

**APPEAL #150087:** Mr. Ted Trafton, appeared for the property located at 7-9 Jenckes Street, Providence. ADSFM Keith Maine appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, to grant the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) day to pull all proper permits for the fire alarm work, submit a plan of action to the Providence Fire Marshal's Office to bring the fire alarm system in this facility into compliance and to install heat detector under the rear stair or the Applicant can close off this area of this facility at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Providence Fire Marshal's Office. The Board also granted the Providence Fire Marshal's Office the authority to extend the above deadline three (3) times, in accordance with the provisions

of the Board Rules and Regulations, amended section 6-2-22, if the Applicant shows a good faith effort. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPEAL #150083:** Joseph Watson and Sean Redford, appeared for the property located at 250 Lloyd Avenue, Providence. ADSFM Scott Derry appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pearson, to grant the Applicant time variance of three (3) years from the date of this decision, to allow the following variances based on structural hardship; allowing the existing headroom condition to remain in use as is, to allow the existing door surface level to remain in use as is and allowing the existing exit discharge and independent egress condition to remain in use as is. The Providence Fire Marshal's Office has no objection to the above variances. The Board also granted the Providence Fire Marshal's Office the authority to extend the above deadline three (3) times, in accordance with the provisions of the Board Rules and Regulations, amended section 6-2-22, if the Applicant shows a good faith effort. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPEAL#1130076B-130112B:** Mr. Alan Sepe, appeared for the Providence Public School Phase I and II. Chief Deputy James Gumbley appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. ADSFM Peter McMichael appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's Office.

**Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi, to reinstate all previously granted variances for file #130076B-130112B, with a time variance of fourteen (14) days from the date of this hearing to submit in writing a status update report for all the school to the State and Providence Fire Marshal's Office. The Board granted the Applicant a time variance of ninety (90) days from the date of this hearing to provide a certification of spending authority for this project by the City of Providence to the State and Providence Fire Marshal's Office. The motion passed 5 to 0 vote with Commissioner Jackson abstaining from the vote.**

**Old Business: None**

**Correspondences / Announcements: None**

**Open Forum / Public Comment: None**

**Adjournment: Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Filippi to adjourn the meeting at 2:07 P.M. Motion passed unanimously.**