

Joint Committee on Rehabilitation Building and Fire Code for Existing Buildings and Structures

Minutes: June 16, 2015

The State of Rhode Island Joint Committee on the Rehabilitation Building and Fire Code for Existing Buildings and Structures met at its headquarters located at 2 Regan Court, Mathias Building #56, in Cranston, RI on Tuesday June 16, 2015, at 2:30 P.M.

Called to Order:

Chairman Newbrook called the meeting to order at 2:30 P.M.

Roll Call:

Present were Chairman Newbrook, Vice Chairman Newman, and Commissioners Jackson, Pimental, Preiss, Pearson, Richard and Turner.

Absent from hearing were Commissioners Blackburn and Stillings.

Also present were Executive Secretary Keith Burlingame and Assistant Administrative Officer Kathleen Hague.

Minutes: A motion was made by Commissioner Pimental and seconded by Vice-chairman Newman to accept the May 19, 2015

minutes as written. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

APPEAL #R150007: Andrea Torizzo appeared for the property located at 369 South Main Street, Providence. ADSFM Susan Hawksley appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Preiss made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pimental, to approve the application for providing, and equivalent to, a 1-hour rating by applying FX Lumber Guard fire retardant coating to exposed wooden joists, along with third party documentation that the coating is applied according to the manufacturer's installation instructions. Motion passed with a vote of (6) to (1) with Commissioner Pearson voting against. Commissioner Turner abstained from voting.

APPEAL #R150013: John Karoff, Dan Grady and Don Havener appeared for the property located at 417 Westminster Street, Providence. Assistant Deputy State Fire Marshals Timothy Lutz and Christopher Dillon appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's Office. After a discussion, the Board decided to keep the case open for further study. The Applicant will return to the Board on July 21, 2015 with a plan of action. Commissioner Preiss recused himself from consideration of this case.

Old Business

The Board reviewed and voted on the Subcommittee's recommendations for the following appeals heard on May 19, 2015:

APPEAL #R150009: City of Newport for the property located at 43 Broadway, Newport, requesting relief from the provisions of the RI Rehabilitation Building and Fire Code for Existing Buildings and Structures. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, to accept the Subcommittee's recommendations. Motion passed unanimously.

APPEAL #R150011: Stephen Maiorisi for the property located at 59 Charlesfield Street, Providence, requesting relief from the provisions of the RI Rehabilitation Building and Fire Code for Existing Buildings and Structures. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, to accept the Subcommittee's recommendations. Motion passed unanimously.

APPEAL R150012: Arch Street Development for the property located at 32 Carey Street, Newport, requesting relief from the provisions of the RI Rehabilitation Building and Fire Code for Existing Buildings and Structures. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jackson, to accept the Subcommittee's recommendations. Motion passed unanimously.

Correspondences / Announcement – None

Open Forum / Public Comment - None

Adjournment:

Commissioner Newman made motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard, to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 3:32 P.M.