

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

**Minutes: December 15, 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, December 15, 2015, at 2:30 P.M.**

**Call 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 Montanaro and Preiss.**

**Absent from hearing were Commissioners Pearson, Jackson, Richard, Blackburn, Turner and Pimental.**

**Also present were Executive Secretary Keith Burlingame, Assistant Administrative Officer Kathleen Hague and Administrative Assistant Desiree Campinini.**

**As a required quorum of members was not present, Chairman**

**Newbrook delegated a subcommittee of the members present to take testimony on the hearings scheduled. All recommendations of the subcommittee will be presented to the full committee at the next scheduled hearing for ratification.**

**New Business:**

**The following cases were heard in Subcommittee.**

**APPEAL #R150017: David Andreozzi, David Rizzolo and Warren Ducharme appeared for the property located at 463 Broadway, Providence. Assistant Deputy State Fire Marshals Timothy J. Lutz, Sr. and Steven Dulong appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Preiss made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Newman, to approve a variance for the basement and second floor to use a single means of egress in the same exit enclosure, and a variance to use the existing access staircase in the new dwelling unit. The motion passed unanimously. The file is to be left open.**

**Rehabilitation Code: There was a discussion on the feasibility of combining the 2015 International Existing Building Code with the 2015 Life Safety Code, Chapter 43 "Building Rehabilitation". Participants agreed that a 'roadmap' is needed for the public to navigate the process more easily.**

**Adjournment:**

**Vice Chairman Newman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Montanaro, to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 3:36 P.M.**

**Respectfully submitted,  
Kathleen Hague**