

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

Minutes: August 24, 2016

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, August 24, 2016, at 9:00 A.M.

Call to Order:

Vice-chairman Newman called the meeting to order at 9:10 A.M.

Roll Call:

Present were Chairman Newbrook, Vice-chairman Newman and Commissioners Preiss, Pimental and Turner.

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

Absent from today's hearing were Commissioners Pearson, Richard, Montanaro, Jackson and Blackburn.

Minutes:

A motion was made by Commissioner Turner, seconded by Chairman Newbrook to accept the August 16, 2016 minutes as written. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

APPEAL R#160006: Brendan Moran, Eric Army and Kevin Toomey, appeared for the property located at 170 Westminster Street, Providence. Assistant Deputy State Fire Marshal (ADSFM) Timothy Lutz appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Chairman Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to grant a variance to allow the existing stair guards in Center Stair 3A to remain in use, and to allow the door width to remain as is in Stair 1.

The Board also granted a variance to allow the existing historical handrails on Stair 1 and Stair 2 to remain and to allow the manual start and transfer features for the emergency generator to be omitted from the fire command center due to structural hardship. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business – None.

Open Forum / Public Comment – None.

Adjournment:

Chairman Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:03 A.M.

**Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Hague**