

**TOWN OF BARRINGTON  
BUILDING BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING**

**Wednesday, January 4, 2012**

**7:00 P.M. Library Gallery Room**

**Present: Tom Billups – Chairman, Patrick Connors, Noah Szosz and  
Fred Watson**

**Also Present: Robert Speaker, Building Official and Valerie Carroll,  
Secretary**

**The Chairman, Mr. Billups, called the meeting to order at 7:12.**

**Upon a motion by Mr. Watson, with a second by Mr. Szosz, the  
minutes of the September 12, 2011 Building Board of Review meeting  
were unanimously (4-0) approved.**

**Appeal of a Requirement of the Building Official from Jason Yao,  
Appellants and Al Farina/Barrington Construction, Owner, for  
property at Assessor's Plat 23, Lot 292, Business District, 306 County  
Road, Barrington, RI.**

**Present: Stephanie Federico, attorney for the applicant, 450 Veterans  
Memorial Parkway, Suite 103, East Providence, RI  
Jason Yau, 94 Castle Rock Road, Warwick, RI**

**There was no one in the audience to speak for or against this application.**

**Ms. Federico explained that the applicant is seeking to open a Sushi Express restaurant. The proposal was received a Special Use Permit from the Zoning Board as well as a BVL license from the Town Council to serve beer, wine and sake. While the focus of the business will be take-out, there will be seating for a total of 22 patrons. The plumbing code requires two bathrooms (separate facilities) for any occupant load over 15, however due to the unique layout of the building, there is only room for one unisex, handicapped accessible bathroom.**

**Ms. Federico noted that there are several other business in town that had a single bathroom, including Starbucks, which has seating for 24 patrons. The Board felt that this proposal would not have a negative impact on the health, safety or welfare of the public. They also noted that the applicant was constrained by the shape of the building and that there was no logical and accessible space to construct a second ADA approved bathroom.**

**VOTE: Upon a motion by Mr. Watson, with a second by Mr. Connors, the Board voted unanimously (4-0) to allow one unisex, handicapped accessible bathroom.**

**At 7:22 p.m. Mr. Szosz moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Watson**

**seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Valerie Carroll**

**Secretary**