

**The Building Code Standards Committee
will meet on
February 14, 2008 At
One Capitol Hill, Conference Room A
Providence, RI**

**616th Meeting 1:00 p.m. February 14,
2008**

Call to order.

2. Appeals:

**08-02 148 Main Street
E. Greenwich**

**08-03 19 Clyde Street
W. Warwick**

**08-04 Intermodel Station
Warwick**

**08-05 Senesco Marine
10 MacNaught Street
North Kingstown, RI**

3. Approval of Minutes of last meeting.

4. Correspondence.

5. Committee Reports

6. Legislation

7. Old Business.

8. New Business.

9. Announcements

10. Adjourn

615th Meeting

January 10, 2008

1. Mr. Turner, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

2. Appeals:

07-18 25 Long Meadow Drive, East Greenwich, RI - Appeal to grant relief from Section R311.5.1 of the Building Code for stairway width was approved.

07-19 2639 South County Trail, East Greenwich, RI - Appeal to grant relief from the International Plumbing Code for handicap requirements was approved.

07-20 165 Duke Street, East Greenwich, RI – Appeal to grant relief from code section 1009.3 of the State Building Code for stair treads and risers was approved.

07-21 125 Providence Street, West Warwick, RI – Appeal to grant relief from code section 1012 of the Building Code for guardrails was denied.

07-22 210 Foggs Road, N. Kingston, RI – Appeal to be granted relief from code sections 702.5 and 803.2 of the Plumbing Code for requirements to install pH neutralization systems in the URI Center

for Biotechnology and Life Sciences and College of Pharmacy building was approved.

08-01 650 East Greenwich Avenue, West Warwick, RI – Board voted that the screened in space areas where vents exhaust to are considered living areas and not an acceptable condition.

Blanket Variance (BV 19) Correction in the Energy Code – the areas to be used in computing window area in Energy Code is the rough opening not the glazed. Mr. Nash motioned approval and Mr. Newbrook seconded motion. Motion passed unanimously.

3. The Minutes of the last meeting were approved as submitted upon a motion by Mr. Gagnon and seconded by Mr. Stillings. Motion was unanimously approved.

4. Correspondence: None

5. Committee Reports:

a. Certification Subcommittee:

Mr. Brown said Michael Carnevale, Building Inspector for the town of North Providence and Gary Gonsalves, Alternate Building Official for the Town of Portsmouth were interviewed today and they met the

minimum standards of the code and Mr. Brown recommended approval.

Also Mr. Brown also recommended approval of Donald P. DiMuccio as Certified Eligible Plumbing/Mechanical Inspector.

Mr. Howe motioned approval of appointments and Mr. DeBlois seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

b. Energy Subcommittee

Mr. Turner said that the subcommittee is continuing work on amendments to the nonresidential energy code only. Mr. Turner said there are now four compliance paths to the energy code and they will recommend to the Board that two of those paths be eliminated so that information will be consolidated which would make it easier for knowing and enforcing the Code and training. The third step will be a package of measures to make the RI Energy Code for non residential buildings more restrictive than the International Code. Mr. Turner said the work of the Subcommittee will be made easier by using ICC as a platform instead of starting from scratch.

c. Electrical Subcommittee:

Mr. Bernard said that everything is going well with the review of the National Electrical Code 2008. They will be complete in several

weeks.

d. Minimum Housing Code:

Mr. Gagnon said there are no updates to this Subcommittee. Mr. Gagnon said that he will contact Mr. Ducharme, staff member, to have a meeting.

Mr. Leyden said he has ordered copies of the 2006 Property Maintenance Code for distribution to the Committee members.

e. Rehab Code:

Mr. Leyden said that this Board should create a Committee to look at the Rehab Code and the existing Building Code. The following Board members were selected to serve on the Rehab Code Subcommittee: Bill Howe, Gordon Preiss, Stephen Turner and Robert Stillings.

6. Legislation: None

7. Old Business: None

8. New Business:

a. Committee Assignments:

The Committee reviewed the Subcommittee Assignment list and after discussion made the following changes:

The Life and Safety Fire Subcommittee and the Building/Fire Code Coordination: Subcommittees will be combined.

Mechanical and Plumbing Code: Mr. Leyden said that he is working with the Governor's staff to have a new person appointed to the Committee as a Master Plumber.

Mr. Turner said that Steven Hughes and Don Wilkinson have been participating on the Energy Subcommittee. Mr. Leyden said that Joe Walsh is also offering his professional service. Mr. Turner suggested that we add another Subcommittee list called Advisory to the Subcommittee to acknowledge the volunteers and suggested that Mr. Leyden talk to Mr. Coffey regarding this matter.

Combine modular and mobile subcommittee members only.

Energy Code: Bob DeBlois requested he be removed from the Energy Code. Mr. Turner said when the new Electrical Engineer person is appointed Mr. DeBlois will be removed from that committee.

Certification Subcommittee: William Nash would like to be added to the Certification Subcommittee.

Fuel Gas Code: Fuel Gas Code and Mechanical Code Subcommittee will have the same members.

Mr. Leyden said that he is working with Jack Gaskell's office to get a replacement for Mr. Gaskell and also working with the Department of Health to get a new appointment to the Board. He asked the Board members if they had any suggestions to fill the position for commercial builder or handicap position.

9. Announcements: None

10. Adjourn:

Mr. Brown motioned to adjourn. Mr. DeBlois seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

John P. Leyden, CBO

Executive Secretary

Building Code Board of Appeals

Members Present: R. Brown, B. Davey, S. Turner, A. Durand, R. DeBlois, R. Stillings, B. Bernard, D. Gagnon, W. Howe, P. DePace, W. Nash, D. Newbrook, D. Palmisciano, G. Preiss.

Staff Members Present: J. Leyden, T. Coffey, E. Gordon

Members Absent: J. Carlson, R. Collins, G. T. Chabot, J. Pagliaro

Staff Members Absent: None

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Staff Members Absent: None

The next Committee meeting will be held on Thursday, February 14, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. at the William Powers Building, One Capitol Hill, Conference Room A, Providence, RI