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Massachusetts Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters,
APRIL 3RD, 2019 BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Meeting at Southeastern Technical Institute
250 Foundry Street – South Easton Massachusetts 02375

CALL TO ORDER: By Chairman Joseph McNamee
The chairman will call the meeting to order.

INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS
The chairman will introduce each Board Member

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

The chairman will ask the Board to make a motion to approve, deny, table the minutes of the previous meeting and will ask for a second on the motion. There can be discussion of the motion. The Board will then vote on the motion. Board members can be for or against the motion, Board members may abstain from the vote, and Board members have the option to recuse themselves from the proceedings altogether. The votes will be counted if not unanimous.

- The March 6th, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes
- The March 6th, 2019 Executive Session Minutes

AGENDA REVIEW: By Chairman Joseph McNamee
The chairman may go over the agenda.

DISCUSSION

D1 – Congratulations to Mr. Harold Knight and Mr. Joseph Waskiewicz who have been re-appointed to the Plumbing Board for a 3 year term.

D2 – Clint Davison of Aquatherm

Manufacturer of unlisted plumbing products will sometime be invited to the Board meeting to speak on the benefits of their products and how it relates to the Plumbing Industry.

VARIANCE REQUESTS



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At this point the Chairman will call each representative of each variance one at a time, to address the board and explain why the project they are working on cannot conform to 248 CMR. The Board will carefully consider the merits of the variance request, refer to the code if necessary, and render a motion and vote on the outcome of the variance. Board decisions are final.

PV- 130 – University of Massachusetts – 300 Stadium Drive - Amherst

Howe Engineers, Inc. are seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10 (18) (b) and 10.10 table 1. The project includes the addition of two new identical restroom facilities to the north of the stadium. The current travel distance to bathroom facilities within the stadium is 750 feet, after the addition of the restroom facilities, the maximum travel distance will be reduce to 450 feet. Board of Health has not been notified since this is a state project.

PV-193-Massport Logan Airport - Jetblue-Terminal C-Arrivals Level-Boston

Ken Reagan of J.C. Cannistraro, LLC is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.06 (2) (o). they are requesting the use of PVC pipe and fittings for sanitary piping on the arrivals level in terminal C for the pet relief area floor drains located on the departures level. Since this is state owned property, no board of health notice is required.

PV-151- Andrew Oldman - 22 Kilburn Belmont

Andrew Oldman is petitioning the Board for relief from 248 CMR 3.04 (1) Unlisted Fixtures. According to the applicant there are two custom made sinks made from solid granite. One is a 33” wide 10” deep vessel farm sink the other is a 12’ x 14” x 10” single vessel sink for a prep sink. These sinks are carved, machined and polished from a totally imperious block or solid natural granite. The stone is further sealed with a non-toxic sealer. Each bowl has a center drain to prevent standing water. The Belmont Board of Health has been properly notified.

PV-199-MBTA- Jeffrey J Peabody P&H – 189 – 267 Hancock Street – Quincy

This is a post installation variance. Mr. Peabody is requesting relief from 248 CMR 10.06 (2) Approved Materials. He is requesting the use of ADS SaniTite HP (Polypropylene) HPXR75 pipe. Since this is a State Project no Board of Health notification is required.

PV-171 – Commonwealth of Massachusetts - Cityplace - 10 Park Plz - Boston

Boylston Properties is proposing to renovate the existing ground level men and women core restrooms over an eight week span. There will be no public restrooms available on the ground floor for the food court patrons during the renovation. The variance request is to allow the use of the restrooms on the balcony level for the temporary period during the renovation. This is State owned property therefore no Board of Health notice is required.

PV- 174 –MA Department of Conservation & Recreation – 180 Old Kings Highway – Wellfleet

The Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation are seeking a variance to allow the outdoor showers and the outdoor dishwashing station to discharge into the onsite septic system. Because the dishwashing sing and select showers are outdoors, rainwater can collect in the sink and showers and discharge into the sanitary system. This is State owned property therefore no Board of Health notice is required.

PV- 175 – Ryan Hansen - Convenient MD- Urgent Care – 86 Taunton Street – Plainville

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Convenient MD Urgent Care is requesting a variance to allow the use of a single user gender neutral 521 CMR compliant toilet room for patients and visitors located in the waiting room. The Plainville Board of Health has been properly notified.

PV- 176- Baystate Mary Lane Outpatient Center - 85 South Street – Ware

Baystate Pharmacy is requesting approval for an unlisted plumbing fixture. Baystate Pharmacy and Facilities Engineering Department has worked with a laboratory case work and metal fabricator to design a custom stainless steel plumbing fixture which meets all associated regulatory requirements. The Ware Board of Health has been properly notified.

PV- 178- Baystate Franklin Medical Center - 164 High Street - Greenfield

Baystate Pharmacy is requesting approval for an unlisted plumbing fixture. Baystate Pharmacy and Facilities Engineering Department has worked with a laboratory case work and metal fabricator to design a custom stainless steel plumbing fixture which meets all associated regulatory requirements. The Greenfield Board of Health has been properly notified.

PV-179 - Valvoline Instant Oil Change – 275 Boylston Street - Brookline

Valvoline Instant Oil Change at 275 Boylston Street in Brookline is proposing to remove the floor drains in the basement level of the building. The request is to minimize the risk of release. The Brookline Board of Health has been properly notified.

PV- 180 -Keith and Jane Carroll - 11 Prince Street – Needham

This is a post installation variance. The plumber, Michael Keating, installed a vanity sink that is not product accepted. The specifications submitted with the variance application indicated a Signature Hardware 24” Lander Vanity Cabinet with sink included. The Wrentham Board of Health has been properly notified.

PV-182 - Jeanne Levy – 16 Eisenhower Road -Framingham

Applicant Scott Redmond is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.15 (10) (a). He is requesting the use of a Sani-flo Plus Macerator Pump. The applicant claims there are gravity drains however the concrete floor has radiant heating imbedded. The Framingham Board of Health has been properly notified.

PV- 184 - Boston Professional Hockey Association Inc – 100 Legends Way – Boston

Cosentini Associates are requesting relief from 248 CMR 10.10 (18). They are asking to install a single user 521 CMR Compliant gender neutral restroom at the TD Garden Pro Shop. The Boston Inspectional Services have been properly notified.

GV-183 – Robert Russell - 27 Linden Street – Westwood

Applicant Bradford Piesco is requesting Board acceptance of a customer purchased LP Stove from Canada.

PV-186-Diggs Inn Restaurant – 25 Thompson Place – Boston

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Applicant Paul Gibbs of PGF Advisors is requesting relief from 248 CMR 10.10 (18) Table 1. The request is to maintain one gender neutral 521 CMR compliant toilet room. The applicant claims there will be under 20 seats but the occupancy will be over 20 when accounting for the employees. The Boston Inspectional Services have been properly notified.

PV-187-Brammer Bio - 45 Hartwell Avenue – Lexington

Brammer Bio through the variance process is requesting acceptance under 248 CMR 10.06 (2) (u) Alternate materials, methods and systems. The bio-waste vent is piped to duplex sterile vent filters. These filters are steamed and replaced per Brammer's PM Schedule. The variance request is for an exception for the use of vent filters as a design method, and the design of the bio-kill system as it is a steam treated system. The Lexington Board of Health has been notified

PV-185 - David Rykbost - 59 Apsley Street – Hudson

Applicant David Rykbost is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10 (18) Table 1. He is requesting to renovate an existing bathroom with one toilet, sink and shower. The Hudson Board of Health has been notified.

PV-188-MBTA - Burgin Parkway – Quincy

The garage is undergoing renovations. The scope of the work in this area includes adding four new catch basins and four new manholes. Architectural Engineers are asking the Board to allow for all other existing underground plumbing systems throughout the garage to remain and not be replaced.

PV-189-MBTA-Newport Avenue and Beale Street - Quincy

Architectural Engineers are asking the Board to allow the connection of a new exterior trench drain to the interior sanitary waste system in lieu of the storm water system.

PV-190-Victor Patel - 191 Weir Street – Taunton

Applicant Bernaldina Daveiga is seeking relief from 248 CMR 3.04 (1) Product acceptance. She is asking the Board to allow her to install a hair sink for a color bar sink. The Taunton Board of Health has been notified.

PV-181 - Lincoln Sudbury Regional HS- 390 A Lincoln Road – Sudbury

This is a two part variance. Glenn R. Davis, A.I.A is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10 (18) Table 1. The school is asking to install a single user gender neutral 521 CMR compliant toilet room for students and another single user gender neutral 521 CMR compliant toilet room for adults and teachers. A second request on the variance application is to install a bottle filling station with capped plumbing in lieu of providing a drinking fountain. The Sudbury Board of health has been notified.

PV-191-Minuteman RVTHS Athletic Complex Field House - 758 Marrett Road – Lexington

Kaestle Boos Associates, Inc. are requesting a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 (18) table 1 minimum facilities in stadiums. The stated total capacity of the proposed bleachers construction project is 1200 persons. The facilities proposed in the new construction include 10 female water closets, 3 male water closets. 7 urinals. The Lexington Board of Health has been properly notified.

PV-192-MWRA Nut Island Headworks-147 Sea Avenue – Quincy

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Applicant John Colbert is seeking relief from 248 CMR 3.04. The pumps selected for the project are not on the Massachusetts Product Acceptance list. Since this is a State owned property no Board of Health notice is required.

PV-194-MWRA Nut Island Headworks-147 Sea Avenue – Quincy

John Colbert is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10 (10) (a) 5. b. Trap primers on floor drains. They are requesting the use of mechanical trap seals in lieu of water trap primers. Since this is a State owned property no Board of Health notice is required.

GV-195-Bristol Community College - Elsbree Street - Fall River

R. W. Sullivan Engineering is seeking a variance for Bristol Community College from 248 CMR 5.10 (33) 10.24.2 Sanitary Gas Engines used for Life Safety. BCC has a main gas meter at building F. A total of 8 separate dedicated gas pipes would have to be piped from this central meter location to comply with gas code. They are requesting to connect each generator for each building immediately upstream of the natural gas shut off valve serving the specific building.

PV-196-MBTA- Parts Storage Building-275 Dorchester Avenue – Boston

Applicant Thomas Morin of Jacobs Engineering is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10 (18) Table 1. The applicant claims the new parts building will be unoccupied and will be used for parts storage only. The applicant further states there are no existing underground utilities in the area of the proposed stand-alone parts / storage building. As this is a state project the Board of Health is not notified.

PV-197- Tom Leonard and Susan Hood - 19 King Philip Road – Gloucester

The owners of 19 King Philip Road in Gloucester have purchased a tub that is not on the Massachusetts Product Accepted list. The applicant states the tub has an overflow. The Gloucester Board of Health has been notified.

FYI – Board Delegated Staff Approvals – Board Vote Not Required

The Plumbing Board has given delegated authority to the Board office to approve variances that have come before the Board on a regular basis or variances that require research into the safety aspects of a product.

Continued use of 1-1/2” tub drain for a shower conversion

This delegated authority has been given to the Board office staff with conditions set forth by the Board to be met by each applicant. To continue the use of an inch and a half tub drain for a shower conversion the applicant shall furnish a note from a health care provider stating the patient would benefit from a shower and/or having a tub is a safety concern for their patient. The shower must provide a threshold of a minimum of six inches measured from the top of the drain outlet to the top of the threshold, the shower can only have a single shower head with a maximum of 2.5 gallons per minute flow, and each tub to shower conversion is accompanied by a variance application and the appropriate fee.

DAPV-177 Patrick Zecco - 45 Main Street, Apt. 27 – Wareham

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Applicant Samuel Zecco has requested the continued use of an inch and a half drain for a tub to shower conversion. The Wareham Board of Health has been properly notified. He has included a note from a health care professional. The in-office approval included the condition of a six inch threshold from the top of the drain outlet to the top of the barrier lip and only one two point five gallon per minute maximum shower head.

DAPV – 173 – Jon and Eileen Klapman – 79 Florence Street #503 - Newton

Applicant Maisha Cummings has requested the continued use of an inch and a half drain for a tub to shower conversion. The Newton Board of Health has been properly notified. She has included a note from a health care professional. The in-office approval included the condition of a six inch threshold from the top of the drain outlet to the top of the barrier lip and only one two point five gallon per minute maximum shower head.

Full operation of unlisted gas equipment

These delegated authority variances are done by the Board Office Staff. They are generally gas variances and the staff are able to determine that the equipment meets a safety standard as well as being in compliance with 248 CMR.

(DA) - GV-54 FY-18 - Ronald Hurley – 164 Cotuit Road – Sandwich

The Board grants full operation of an **unlisted gas fired stove** at the above referenced location, subject to the approval of the local Plumbing and Gas Inspector. Be advised the Board has no jurisdiction over the wood burning components of this stove and for that reason will defer to the AHJ from the local municipality for that portion of this stove. A carbon monoxide Detector is required.

DAGV-95 FY-19 – American Durafilm CO., Inc. – 55 Boynton Road – Holliston

The Board grants full operation of an **unlisted gas fired Industrial Processing Oven** at the above referenced location, subject to the approval of the local Plumbing and Gas Inspector.

DAGV-43 FY19-Blank Industries, LLC.-Organic Mulch-Hudson

The Board grants full operation of an **unlisted gas fired Rotary Dryer for Rock Salt** at the above referenced location, subject to the approval of the local Plumbing and Gas Inspector.

DAGV-196 FY18-Brox Industries-Dracut

The Board grants full operation of an **unlisted gas burner serving a hot oil heater and an unlisted gas burner serving an asphalt oven** at the above referenced location, subject to the approval of the local Plumbing and Gas Inspector.

DAGV-110 FY19-Blackbird Doughnuts-Boston

The Board grants full operation of an **unlisted gas fired Doughnut Fryer Model C6G-16** at the above referenced location, subject to the approval of the local Plumbing and Gas Inspector. Be advised, if this equipment is installed with casters it will require a restraining device for gas piping protection.

Vocational School Projects

Vocational schools will sometimes submit for a project that would require a permit and licensed plumbers to complete. There is a policy which outlines the rules regarding the various types of vocational projects that the Board will approve. This month there are no Vocational projects to approve.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Plumbing Board will enter into Executive session to discuss matters that are personal in nature and the general public are asked to leave the meeting while the Executive Session proceeds. There are no character reviews scheduled for this meeting.

CHARACTER REVIEW(S)

There are no character reviews scheduled for this meeting.

BOARD WILL CONSIDER ANY MATTERS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY THE CHAIR:

Note:

Reasonable accommodations or modifications will be provided to enable individuals with disabilities to participate in this Plumbing Board meeting. **All requests should be submitted to Cheryl Yebba at (617)-727-4992 no later than one (1) week prior to the scheduled Board Meeting.** While the Board of Examiners of Plumbers & Gas Fitters will attempt to honor all requests, those requests received after that date may not be provided due to feasibility.