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**Minutes**

**Board of Elevator Regulations**  
**1000 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02118**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Floor – Room 1G**  
**March 20, 2018**

**Board Members Present:**

Stephen Sampson, Chairman  
Brian Ronan  
David Gaudet  
Cheryl Davis  
Eric Morse  
John O'Donoghue

**Guests Present:**

Charles Kilb (DPL)  
Ruthy Barros (DPL)

**Board Members Absent:**

David Morgan

**The Board discussed the following:**

**1. Approval of meeting minutes from March 6, 2018**

The meeting minutes were unavailable for Board review.

**2. 50 Royall Street – Canton, MA [Exhibit 1]**

**State ID: 50-P-180**

**Relief from Inspector's Report**

**Petitioner: Samantha Finney**

The Board reviewed the petitioner's application, requesting relief from an Inspector's

Report, citing 524 CMR A17.1-2004 Section 2.14.1.8 – Glass in elevator does not meet

requirements. The petitioner stated on the application that the glass artwork in the

elevator has no visible marking of code compliance. The petitioner provided a letter from the glass manufacturer, stating that the printed mirror panels supplied for the elevator are mounted over ¼” tempered glass and fused together in an autoclave. The manufacturer confirmed in the letter that the tempered glass in the panels comply to ANZI Z97.1 standards. A motion was put forth by John O’Donoghue to deny the petitioner’s request, but offer the petitioner the opportunity to come in front of the Board to present their case. The motion was seconded by David Gaudet.

**Motion:** John O’Donoghue

**Seconded:** David Gaudet

**Vote: 6-0; Denied.**

3. **1249 Boylston Street – Boston, MA [Exhibit 2]**

**State ID: 1-F-8558**

**Relief from Inspector’s Report**

**Petitioner: Christen Parsons**

The petitioner’s representatives from Atlantic Elevator came before the Board on March 6, 2018 seeking relief from an Inspector’s Report citing 524 CMR Section 17.4.3(a) – Overhead Clearance. The petition was placed on hold for 30 days, to allow the petitioner time to provide the Board with additional information. The Board reviewed pictures that were provided by the petitioner. A motion was put forth by Cheryl Davis to grant the variance for the low overhead over the crosshead, provided there is signage stating “Caution” painted in yellow on the crosshead and signage in the machine room stating “Low Overhead Clearance”. Justification being that this is an existing installation and it would be impossible to raise the current overhead. The motion was seconded by Eric Morse.

**Motion:** Cheryl Davis

**Seconded:** Eric Morse

**Vote: 6-0; Granted.**

The Board reviewed old business, which consisted of petition requests that were placed on hold with a cited deadline, to allow petitioners time to provide the Board with additional information.

4. **Matters not reasonably anticipated 48 hours in advance of meeting**

**51 McGrath Highway – Somerville, MA**

**State ID: 274-F-126**

**524 CMR 17.32**

**Petitioner: Nardia Hart**

The petitioner's representative, Jeff Halley, came before the Board on January 23, 2018 seeking a variance from an Inspector's Report requiring a full frame counter weight. The petition was placed under advisement for further investigation. The Chairman made a site visit and confirmed that the hitch plate was replaced and the counterweight was original. A motion was put forth by Eric Morse to abate the Inspector's Report requiring a replacement of the counterweight. The motion was seconded by Brian Ronan.

**Motion:** Eric Morse

**Seconded:** Brian Ronan

**Vote: 6-0; Granted.**

The Board discussed writing up a proposed decision, which will be reviewed at a later date in regards to the product variance, 5BY2 Automobile Parking Device for 88 Wareham Street and 401 Beacon Street, Boston. The Board also discussed setting up a date for a future public hearing and inquired on the progress of the new Elevator Code. Lastly, Board member John O'Donoghue updated the Board on the first completed building with Occupant Evacuation Operation (OEO), located in a high-rise building in San Francisco.

**Exhibit List:**

Exhibit 1: Variance packet for 50 Royall Street – Canton, MA

Exhibit 2: Pictures of the stop ring for unit 1-F-8558

**Motion to Adjourn:** John O'Donoghue

**Seconded:** Brian Ronan

**Vote: 6-0; Granted.**

Hearing concluded at 3:02 p.m.

Prepared by: Ruthy Barros