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**BOARD OF STATE EXAMINERS OF
PLUMBERS AND GAS FITTERS**

June 2, 2021 BOARD MEETING

AGENDA

Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters requires your presence at a remote Board meeting on
Wednesday, June 2, 2021, starting at 9:00 a.m.

**In accordance with the provisions of G.L. c. 30A § 20, notice is hereby given that the
Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters will convene a regular monthly meeting via
telephone/video conference:**

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It is anticipated that the topics shown below will be discussed at the aforementioned meeting:



BOARD OF STATE EXAMINERS OF PLUMBERS AND GASFITTERS JUNE 2, 2021

Member and Staff Attendance

MEMBERS	APPOINTMENT	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Joseph McNamee	Member, Master Gas Fitter		
Mr. David Sullivan	Member, DPL Designee		
Mr. Harold Knight	Member, Journeyman Plumber		
Mr. John Cruz	Member, LP Installer		
Mr. Bahig A. Kaldas, P. E.	Member, Plumbing Engineer		
Mr. Joseph V. Waskiewicz	Member, Master Plumber		
Mr. Wayne Thomas	Member Journeyman Gasfitter		
Ms. Ruth Alfasso	Member, Dept. of Public Health		
Ms. Sarah Badway	Public Member		
STAFF			
Mr. Charles Kilb	Board Legal Counsel		
Ms. Karen Brann	Board Executive Director		
Ms. Mary Collins-McCarthy	Associate Executive Director		
Mr. Taylor Roth	State Plumbing Investigator		
Mr. Scott Padden	State Plumbing Investigator		
Mr. Fredrick Lima	State Plumbing Investigator		
Mr. James O'Reilly	State Plumbing Investigator		
Mr. Joseph Peluso	Board Consultant		
Mr. George Abban	Board Consultant		

9:00 A.M. AGENDA REVIEW: By Chairman Joseph McNamee

UP COMING MEETING VENUE

Due to the COVID-19 State of Emergency upcoming meeting venue may change

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Board Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2021 – Open Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2021 Executive Session Minutes

DISCUSSION

D1 : New Product Demonstration

- Paul Errigo, Green Crown Water System, GPM 2K water conversation system

D2 – Re-visit of Continuing Education policy during the State of Emergency

- **Return of Live Meetings**

D3: - End of State of Emergency

D 4: Code Change Update and review/possible vote on draft Frequently Asked Questions

D 5: Delegation of variances granted for the continued use of 1 ½ inch drain for tub to shower conversions.

VARIANCE REQUEST(S)

TABLED FROM LAST MEETING

PV-257 BOSTON MARKET TERMINAL – 34 MARKET STREET – EVERETT

The Petitioner (Chris Mora from the Davis Companies) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, Section 10.10, for the reduction in the number of plumbing fixtures required for the S-1 Moderate Hazard Warehouse occupancy due to the anticipated use of the facility. The Petitioner proposes that the function of the space does not typically involve the type of work that would necessitate access to on site shower facilities.

During the May 5, 2021 discussion the Board requested that the Petitioner report back to the Board on the actual employee count from the tenant. The count is 126 employees.

TABLED FROM LAST MEETING

PV-268 – FISH MV LLC – 80 MAIN STREET – VINEYARD HAVEN

The Petitioner (Andrew Kahl from AMK Concepts) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, to have one unisex accessible bathroom and one employee bathroom. Customer space will be very limited with only 8 interior seats. The space does not allow for an additional accessible bathroom. The local Board of Health has been notified.

PV-311 STOP AND COMPARE SUPERMARKET – 43 STATE STREET - LYNN

The Petitioner (Charles Bromely from Plan B Retail Design and Project management) is seeking variances from 248 CMR, Sections 10.10.1 and 10.10.18 for toilet requirements in a building with mercantile use.

PV-313 54 AUBURN STREET – BROOKLINE

The Petitioner (Bert Corey from DGT Associates) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, to allow piping connection from a trench drain to the storm water treatment structure to be SDR0-35 PVC and not cast iron. The local Board of Health has been notified.

PV-314 TOWN OF NORTHBOROUGH WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT – 200 SCHOOL STREET NORTHBOROUGH

The Petitioner (Scott Charpentier, Town of Northborough Water and Sewer) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, Section 10.10 (18)(i) to not provide separate facilities for males and females and approval to provide a single gender-neutral toilet facility and a separate shower room in a new mixed use building that will include 1,728 SF for a garage for utility vehicles and 832 SF of office space. The local Board of Health has been notified.

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PV-315 HANOVER WESTON – SOUTH AVENUE - WESTON

The Petitioner (John Del Tufo from Wozny/Barbar and Associates) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, Section 10.06, as it relates to non-residential installation. The project will include an engineered subsurface Cultec recharge system that will be buried beneath a 4.5 level parking garage. Section of the detention system will be concrete with chamber portions consisting of plastic. Piping specified will be ductile iron. The local Board of Health has been notified.

PV-316 PARCEL 12- 1001 BOYLSTON STREET - BOSTON

The Petitioner (Jimmie Ng from WSP USA) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.03 and 3.04, to use EBAA Iron Inc Flex-Tend flexible expansion joint to compensate for possible 1 – ½” settlement. The petitioner is also proposing to use the PVC version of the expansion joint to make the coupling connections to the cast iron pipe upstream and downstream of the expansion joint. The expansion joint is not product approved.

PV-317 HOSMER STREET REALY TRUST – 72 HOSMER STREET – MARLBOROUGH

The Petitioner (Ngoc Vuong from Cascao Jiu Jitsu) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, Section 10.10 (18) Table 1: Pool/fitness center bath/shower, to not provide additional showers. There are currently 2 bathrooms with sinks and toilets and an additional mop sink. The local Board of Health has been notified.

PV-318 FRONTERA THERAPEUTICS – 40 WIGGINS AVENUE – BEDFORD

The Petitioner (Dennis Robarge from North Shore Mechanical Contractors) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, Section 10.15 (10) sumps and ejectors for permission to utilize 2 lift stations for 1 mothers room and 1 break room sink which is over an inaccessible clean room manufacturing facility. The local Board of Health has been notified.

PV-319 NEW ENGLAND INNOVATION ACADEMY 280 LOCKE DRIVE MARLBOROUGH

The Petitioner (James Hughes from Dennis Colwell Architects) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, to have unisex bathrooms throughout the school. The local Board of Health has been notified.

PV-320 MICHAEL TABBAH 349 WEST CENTER STREET WEST BRIDGEWATER

The Petitioner (Michael Tabbah) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, Section 10.10(k), to include 2 accessible lavatories in a proposed dentist office space based on limited square footage. Waiting for boh

GV-325 MICHAEL MITCHELL 444 COOPER ROAD NORTHBRIDGE

The Petitioner (Michael Mitchell) is seeking a gas variance for a stove with a wood burning box on the left and 4 propane burners of the right. The propane oven has been disconnected and the lines removed and the openings sealed off. The propane will only be used for the burners on top of the stove. There will no propane vented through the chimney. The wood burning operation has been inspected and approved by the building inspector.

PV – 326 275 SPEC LAB 275 SECOND AVENUE WALTHAM

The Petitioner (Dennis Robarge from North Shore Mechanical Contractors) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, Section 10.15 (10) sumps and ejectors, to utilize a lab waste lift station to pump the underground lab waste from a new lab on the first floor up to the existing pH neutralization system. The local Board of health was notified.

PV-327 1105 MASS AVENUE UNIT 1F CAMBRIDGE – POST INSTALLATION VARIANCE

The Petitioner (Corey Catalfamo from Catalfamo Plumbing) is seeking a post installation variance from 248 CMR, for the rough plumbing for a new laundry connection laundry room rough plumbing installation on the first floor of a building that is over 4 stories. The local Board of Health has been notified.

PV-363 MASS DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION KASABUSKI RINK – 201 FOREST STREET SAUGUS

The Petitioner (Thomas Scarlata from Bargmann Hendrie and Archetype) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR Section 10.10 (18)(b) 1.b Plumbing Facilities for each sex.

The existing rink had fallen into disrepair and a scope of work was developed that includes among other work, new accessible toilets and showers for the locker rooms · New single use- unisex toilet/shower facilities to accommodate coed hockey teams and officiating crews. Hazardous material removal, selective demolition and site work will begin shortly. No plumbing work has started. The variance will allow the use of shared, unisex toilet shower facilities between the hockey locker rooms. Based on a variance request, the Plumbing Boards' direction, for the DCR Murphy Rink in 2015, the Bajko Rink in 2018, and the Metropolis Rink in 2019, a unisex, single use toilet /facility has been included for coed hockey teams and officiating crews. The unisex facility for the officiating crews also segregates the officials from the general public and teams. This is a state project.

PV-367 UMASS LOWELL 1291 MIDDLESEX STREET – LOWELL

The Petitioner (Dan Cullen from Cullen Mechanical) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR to install handwashing sinks in several of the instructional rooms. The Petitioner discovered that the only waste plumbing available in reasonable proximity to the project is PVC and tying the new handwashing sinks into it requires the variance now being requested. This is a state project.

**FYI – Board Delegated Staff Approvals – Board Vote Not Required
SPECIAL PERMISSION PLUMBING**

SPP – 6 FY21 VERTEX- 316 NORTHERN AVENUE – BOSTON

Special permission plumbing was granted for the installation of a ROJ reclaimed grey water system serving bathroom core flushing fixtures and cooling towers.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

(M.G.L. c. 30A, §21 – Closed session)

a. To discuss individuals character, rather than competence

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QUASI JUDICIAL SESSION

(Disciplinary decisions - Closed per M.G.L c. 30A, §18)

ADJOURNMENT

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.