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

Wednesday, February 8, starting at 9:00 a.m.

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

Member and Staff Attendance

MEMBERS	APPOINTMENT	PRESENT	ABSEN T
Mr. Joseph McNamee	Member, Master Gas Fitter	X	
Mr. Harold Knight	Member, Journeyman Plumber	X	
Mr. John Cruz	Member, LP Installer	X	
Mr. Bahig A. Kaldas, P. E.	Member, Plumbing Engineer	X	
Mr. Joseph V. Waskiewicz	Member, Master Plumber	X	
Mr. Wayne Thomas	Member Journeyman Gasfitter	X	
Ms. Ruth Alfasso	Member, Dept. of Public Health	X	

Ms. Sarah Badway	Public Member	X	
Mr. Dan Kilburn	Member, DOL Designee		X
STAFF			
Mr. Charles Kilb	Board Legal Counsel	X	
Mike Guida	Board Code Consultant	X	
Ken Peterson	Executive Director	X	

INFORMATIONAL NOTE: All votes were taken by roll call. Where each member voted in favor, the vote will be reported as unanimous.

9:00 A.M. AGENDA REVIEW:

By Chairman Joseph McNamee

Variance Requests

22-PV- 995 -DAN YERKES, 29 WATERFIELD RD, WINCHESTER

The petitioner for the MBTA is seeking relief from 248 CMR, 10.02(6)(b). All buildings and structures other than residential dwellings intended for occupancy shall be equipped with sufficient sanitary facilities. The request was denied by the Board on January 11, 2023. The petitioner has followed up with new information not previously provided to the Board and has requested additional Board review. The state inspector Taylor Roth has been notified.

Attorney Gail Ryan from Sloane and Walsh LLP representing Jacob's Engineering, introduced the applicant and all of the supporting staff in attendance with knowledge of the project.

Mark Thompson Project Manager of Jacobs Engineering presented an overview of the MBTA Winchester Project.

Lonny Fidalgo Sr. Director of Commuter Rail Infrastructure addressed his concerns regarding safety, vandalism and other potential issues.

MBTA Acting Chief Engineer Joe Pavo commented that maintenance at this facility would be in terms of hours of work not days of work, so a toilet room is not needed.

State Investigator Taylor Roth spoke of the size of the project.

Charles Kilb- spoke on the specific of the variance and hardship. Spoke of draft code that would require a bathroom in these spaces, and that this Board does not have the authority to mandate port-a-potties.

Also in attendance was:

Dan Yerkes, Jacobs Project Engineer

Mark Thompson Project Manager

MBTA Project Manager Nathan Rae

David Whitman from Jacobs Engineering.

Board members stated their concerns for the maintenance workers who work at the Winchester MBTA station without proper toilet facilities.

Vote: JC to deny, HK seconded

Results: JC, HK, BK, WT, JM to deny, RA, JW and SB to approve.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:30 HK made a motion to adjourn, it was seconded by JC, and was approved unanimously via a roll call vote in which each member voted yes.