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# BOARD OF STATE EXAMINERS OF PLUMBERS AND GAS FITTERS

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, July 12, 2023

### Member and Staff Attendance

MEMBERS	APPOINTMENT	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Joseph McNamee	Chairman, 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	
Kenneth Peterson	Executive Director	X	

# 9:00 A.M. AGENDA REVIEW:

#### By Chairman Joseph McNamee

# <u>APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES</u>

March 4, 2023, Regular Session Vote: HK to approve, JW seconded Results: Unanimously approved

April 5, 2023, Regular Session Vote: HK to approve, JW seconded Results: Unanimously approved

April 5, 2023, Executive Session Vote: HK to approve, JW seconded Results: Unanimously approved

May 3, 2023 Regular Session Vote: HK to approve, JW seconded Results: Unanimously approved

June 7, 2023 Regular Session

Vote: HK to approve, JW seconded Results: Unanimously approved

# **Discussion**

Olin College- gender-neutral bathroom report after one-year pilot program.

Jeremy Goodman of the Olin School discussed the school's gender-neutral bathrooms and the results of a survey of the staff and students at the school. Goodman reviewed the encouraging survey results with board members.

Vote: WT to allow the use of gender-neutral bathrooms without any further review, RA seconded

Results: Unanimously approved.

#### **Variance Requests**

#### 23-PV-608, Joseph Kingston, 47 High Plain Road, Andover

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 3.04(1) Product Design and Testing Standards, to allow for the installation of a shower base that is not on the product accepted list. This is a post-installation variance. The local inspector and the Board of Health have been notified

This Variance was withdrawn by the applicant before the meeting.

#### 23-PV-649 Samuel Ferriera, 198 Herman Melville Blvd., New Bedford

The petitioner for Bristol Community College is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10, to allow the installation of a gender-neutral unisex bathroom with two toilets and two sinks, and full-height privacy partitions. State Inspector Lima has been notified.

Vote: HK to approve, JW seconded Results: Unanimously approved.

### 23-PV-662 Thomas Scott, 19 South Main Street, Millbury

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10 Table 1, to allow a reduced number of toilet facilities required for their Electrical Contracting Company. The local inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

Vote: WT to approve, RA seconded Result: Unanimously approved

# 23-PV-663 Larry Couto, 615 Innovation Way, Fall River

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.06(1)(a), 2 (9) (i)(j), to install Schedule 40 Polypropylene drain pipes and fittings for waste and vent systems in their food processing areas instead of the code requirements of cast iron for waste and vent systems in commercial buildings. The local inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

Vote: WT to approve, HK seconded Results: Unanimously approved

# 23-PV-664 Daniel Pallotta, 240B Springfield St., Wilbraham

The petitioner for the Wilbraham Senior Center is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10(8)(b) to allow a kitchen waste that has a grease trap, to be installed without a garbage disposal. The local inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

Vote: WT to approve on the condition that the applicant provides the Board Office with letters of support from the local Sewer Commission and local Board of Health.

Vote: Seconded by HK.

Results: Unanimously approved

#### 23-PV-665 Sharon Sharry, 43 Amity St., Amherst

The petitioner for the Jones Public Library is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.01, and 10.10(19) to allow the installation of a gender-neutral gang restroom with communal hand sinks. The local inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

Vote: WT voted to approve provided the applicant meets the minimum facilities required for their occupancy, which is set by the local authority, HK seconded Results: BK, WT, RA, and JM voted in favor, JC, JW voted against- the motion passed

# **Correspondence**

None

# **QUASI-JUDICIAL SESSION**

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

# **Appeal of Inspector's Decision**

#### 23-AID-703

The Board engaged in deliberations in the matter of 23-AID-703, Adam Mitchell-75 Felton Steet, Marlborough. Mitchell is appealing the inspector's decision not to issue a permit because Mitchell refused to add the City of Marlborough to his liability insurance as 'additionally insured.'

Vote: At 9:51 A.M., WT to enter into Executive Session, HK seconded Results: Unanimously approved.

Upon conclusion of the deliberations: HK voted in favor of the appellant, WT seconded

Results: Unanimously approved

Vote: At 9:56 A.M., WT to go back into regular session, RA seconded

Results: Unanimously approved

Vote: At 9:58 A.M. JC to adjourn, WT seconded

Results: Unanimously approved

# **Board Delegated Staff Approvals- Special Permission**

# 22-DAGV-368—John Kennedy- 140 Morgan Dr. Norwood Home Market Foods

The request for Full Operation of an Unlisted Appliance has been granted for 2 natural gas **Food Processing Ovens** in accordance with 248 CMR 3.04 (1) at the above-listed address by Delegated Authority.

#### 23-SPP- Ralph Mulcahy-65 Hayden Ave Lexington

The request for Special Permission for the use of a Vacuum Drainage system has been granted at the above-listed address by Delegated Authority.

# FYI – Board Delegated Staff Approvals – Board Vote Not Required

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8 Lyldon Ln Unit 2	Halifax
79 Prospect St	Ashland
125 Pleasant St Unit 603	Brookline
193 Porter Lake Dr	Springfield
22 Sunny Hill Dr	Southbridge
15 Smith Ave	Westfield
100 Linden St Unit 4	Allston
124 Randall Rd	Bolton
30 Marcellus Dr	Newton
100 Pemberton St Unit 11	Dracut
77 Merriam St	Somerville
37 Smiley Ave	Haverhill
379 Charles River St	Needham
94 Newbury Ave Unit	Quincy
100	
2 Rock Rd	Boston
36 Smith St	Groton
43 Jacqueline Rd #8	Waltham
	125 Pleasant St Unit 603  193 Porter Lake Dr  22 Sunny Hill Dr  15 Smith Ave  100 Linden St Unit 4  124 Randall Rd  30 Marcellus Dr  100 Pemberton St Unit 11  77 Merriam St  37 Smiley Ave  379 Charles River St  94 Newbury Ave Unit  100  2 Rock Rd  36 Smith St

Rene Dionne	8 sTALL bROOK rD	Milford
Rene Dionne	21 Savory Rd	Salem
Rene Dionne	34 Bickford St	Lynn
Rene Dionne	38 Meaders Ln	Salisbury
Rene Dionne	215 Robert Rd	Marlborough
Rene Dionne	23 Magnolia St	Attleboro
Rene Dionne	2 Paul Revere Path	Hopkinton
Pete DiGiano	709 Hampton	Abington
Pete DiGiano	35 Howard St	Newton
Pete DiGiano	262 Dwelly St	Fall River
Eugene Bertrand	135 Colonial Dr	Somerset
Diane Doucette	153 Dicenzo Blvd	Marlborough
Mariann Scholl	36 Country Club Ln	Middleton
Jennifer Bylo	220 Martin's Landing #112	N Reading
Jennifer Bylo	2 Jamison way	Plymouth
Jennifer Bylo	6-8 Chestnut St	Boston
Nancy Ainsworth	177 Middlesex Ave	Medford
Connie Gironda	10 Upton Ave	Norwood
Seth Richter	15 Willie Bray Rd	Yarmouth
Stephen Anderson	11 Edith Ave	Watertown
Shawn Saint	67 Goodale Rd	Boston
Marilyn Shanaham	7 Brantwood Ln	Burlington
Erna Turner	14 Ocean Rd	Orleans
David Renzello	84 Holden Rd	Sterling
David Renzello	14 Main St #3	Somerville
David Renzello	48 Howard Ave	Bourne
David Renzello	8 Ninth St#607	Medford
David Renzello	25 Healy Rd	Worcester
Rene Dionne	12 Meetinghouse Sq	Middleton
Rene Dionne	119 Nells Pond Rd	Lynn
Rene Dionne	59 Great Elm Rd	Billerica
Rene Dionne	11 Lena Ln	Milford
Rene Dionne	140 Howe St	Methuen
Rene Dionne	54 Woodside Rd	Sudbury

3 Morton St	Chicopee
5 Spruce Tree Ln Unit 14	Norton
27 Old Forge Rd	Bridgewater
1 Magnolia Way	Bridgewater
28 Lockwood Circle	Swansea
1138 Adams St	Boston
20 Glenarm St	Boston
248 Camp St Unit B-3	Yarmouth
49 Covit Rd	Taunton
20 Middle St	Beverly
4c Russell Dr 4c	Salem
119 Gorham St	Chelmsford
20 Maclintosh Dr	Amherst
95 Elm St Unit 101	Millbury
34 Landfall	Falmouth
14 Royce Rd	Framingham
95 Salem Rd	Billerica
5 Hartshorn Pl	Walpole
148 Main St Unit K525	N. Andover
19 Pine St Unit C	Canton
44 Corbet St	Boston
385 Wakeby Rd	Barnstable
6 Canal Park Unit 604	Cambridge
1090 Washington St	Braintree
336 Barnes St	Oak Bluffs
56 Deer Jump Hill Rd	Barnstable
38 Window Pl	Springfield
39 Cedar St	Boston
2 Summer St	Boston
19 Ascension	Blackstone
78 President St	Lynn
3 B Fletcher Way	Salem
•	Billerica
	5 Spruce Tree Ln Unit 14 27 Old Forge Rd 1 Magnolia Way 28 Lockwood Circle 1138 Adams St 20 Glenarm St 248 Camp St Unit B-3 49 Covit Rd 20 Middle St 4c Russell Dr 4c 119 Gorham St 20 Maclintosh Dr 95 Elm St Unit 101  34 Landfall 14 Royce Rd 95 Salem Rd 5 Hartshorn Pl 148 Main St Unit K525 19 Pine St Unit C 44 Corbet St 385 Wakeby Rd 6 Canal Park Unit 604 1090 Washington St 336 Barnes St 56 Deer Jump Hill Rd 38 Window Pl 39 Cedar St 2 Summer St 19 Ascension 78 President St

Michael Blomerth	269 Cambridge Rd Unit 203	Woburn
Jennifer Bylo	90 Highview Dr	Sandwich
Jennifer Bylo	11 Patterson St	Boston
Jennifer Bylo	206 Tall Oaks Dr Unit K	Weymouth
Jennifer Bylo	28 Whitman Rd #2-1	Waltham
Jennifer Bylo	Suzanne Murphy	Franklin
Jennifer Bylo	340 Centre St # 52	Rockland
Jennifer Bylo	1 Campground Rd	W Boylston
Jennifer Bylo	33 Iris Way	Haverhill
John Woodall	25 Nason St	Franklin
Jon Seliger	145 Pinckney	Boston
Ezzadale Bradham	50 Fremont St	Boston
James Dermady	100 Centre St	Brookline
Mary Devin	19 Siasconset Ave	Dennis
Rene Dionne	7 Hallway Ave	Provincetown
Rene Dionne	239 Ayer Rd #92	Littleton
David Renzello	57 Commonwealth Ave	Marlborough
David Renzello	15 Tavern Rd	Groton
David Renzello	10 Cross St	Randolph
David Renzello	33 Ash Street	Webster
David Renzello	17 Cider Mill Ln	Lexington
Joseph Tolan	298 Washington St # 204	Westwood
Jeff Sanphy	84 Fuller St	Middleboro
Jay Oster	100 Parks St #41	Duxbury
Angela Mullaly	800 Bearses Way Apt 5WC	Barnstable

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

# 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