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BOARD OF STATE EXAMINERS OF PLUMBERS AND GAS FITTERS

November 5, 2025

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

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 REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, November 5, 2025, starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Board office One Federal St, Suite 600, Boston, Ma 02110, in room 6008.

This meeting will be hybrid; in addition to the above location, the meeting may be attended via telephone/video conference:

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Member and Staff Attendance

: MEMBERS	APPOINTMENT	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Joseph McNamee	Chairman, Master Gas Fitter		
Mr. Harold Knight	Vice-Chairman Journeyman Plumber		
Mr. John Cruz	Member, LP Installer		
Mr. Bahig A. Kaldas, P. E.	Member, Plumbing Engineer		
Mr. Wayne Thomas	Member Journeyman Gasfitter		
Ms. Ruth Alfasso	Member, Dept. of Public Health		
Ms. Sarah Badway	Public Member		
Mr. Dan Kilburn	Member, DOL Designee		
Mrs. Kimberly Garside	Member, Master Plumber		
STAFF			
Mr. Charles Kilb	Board Legal Counsel		
Ms. Colleen Maloney	Assoc. Deputy Commissioner		
Mr. Michael Guida	Board Code Consultant		
Mr. Scott Padden	State Plumbing Investigator		
Mr. James O'Reilly	State Plumbing Investigator		
Mr. James Myette	State Plumbing Investigator		
Mr. Marc Zade	State Plumbing Investigator		

9:00 A.M. AGENDA REVIEW:

By Chairman Joe MacNamee

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- October 1, 2025, Regular Session
- October 1, 2025, Executive Session

Executive Director's Report-

Introduce Michael Auerbach – New Executive Director Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters

New Plumbing Licenses issued September 2025 = 140

- Plumbing Apprentice 79
- Plumbing Journeyman 35

- Plumbing Master 15
- Plumbing Corporation 5
- Plumbing LLC 6
- Board Staff reviewed and accepted 4,741 Products within the last month.
- All Board Variance decisions will be sent through the eLIPSE Portal

Legal Report- Charles Kilb

Promulgation of 248 CMR 3&11

DISCUSSION

- Board Staff seeking clarification on required number of questions for correspondence CE classes.
- Test Site project located at 75 Spruce St, Acton. Industrial Flow Solutions Oil Minder Liquidator.
- Plumbing Board Sub-committee update.
 - Vote to accept changes to 248 CMR 3
- Gas Code Sub-committee update.

Products

• 25-PA-267-Aron Aharonoff from AquaFlow Technologies, AquaFlow Check Valve. The manufacturer is appealing the Board's Staff's decision to deny their product application. 248 CMR 10.14 (3)(e)

School Approvals

25-VSP-2002- Kevin Martin from Montachusett Regional Vocational High School is seeking approval for a proposed commercial project located at 200 Main St in Gardner.

25-VSP-2005- Randy Dimitropolis from Pathfinder Regional High School is seeking approval for a proposed commercial project located at 50 Springfield St, in Palmer.

VARIANCES

25-GV-101- Christopher Maxwell 76 Trebble Cove Rd, Billerica.

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 3.04 Product, Design, and Standards, requesting permission to install a 20-foot 2-inch flexible gas hose that is not currently on the Massachusetts Accepted Products list. The local inspector has been notified.

25-PV-90669- Michael Spera, 5 Birch Hill Rd, West Brookfield.

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.06 Materials to permit the use of PVC piping in a 200-square-foot commercial pet grooming business. Additionally, the petitioner seeks relief from the bathroom facility requirements outlined in 248 CMR 10.10 Table 1 Minimum Facilities. The petitioner proposes utilizing an existing restroom located in a residential building within 200 feet of the structure. The Local Inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

25-PV- 90709- Maria DiGiacomo, 1 Patriot Place, Foxboro Station.

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10 Table 1 Minimum Facilities not to install the required public restrooms for an open-air train station platform. Bathroom facilities will be provided for staff use only. State Inspector Myette has been notified.

25-PV-25-90480-Daniel McCarthy, 292 Grove St, Reading

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10, Table 1 – Minimum Facilities, requesting permission to install one single user gender neutral restroom for a 4,800-square-foot unconditioned seasonal garage. The Local Inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

25-PV- 90733- Alexei Erchak, 55 Central St, Wellsley.

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10, Table 1 – Minimum Facilities, not to install the required shower and drinking water station for a 1,700 square foot strength training facility. The Board of Health and local inspector have been notified.

25-GV-90776- Anthony Chu- 1 Harborside Dr, Logan Airport, East Boston.

The petitioner is seeking relief of 248 CMR 5.5.1 Maximum Design Operating Pressure, allowing threaded pipe and fittings for a 7 PSIG gas system serving Trecan Snow melter. State Inspector Padden has been notified.

25-GV-90794- Edward Roberge- 11 Burr St, Framingham.

The petitioner is seeking relief of 248 CMR 5.5.1 Maximum Design Operating Pressure, allowing Press Connect fittings for a 7 PSIG gas system serving a Snow melter. State Inspector Padden has been notified.

25-PV-90819- Andrew Ferry- 729 Gifford Rd, Westport.

The petitioner is seeking relief of 248 CMR 10.10 Table 1 Minimum Facilities not to install the required fixtures for a barn with no more than one employee on staff. They propose utilizing bathroom facilities located within 15 feet in an adjacent building.

The Board of Health and local inspector has been notified.

Appeal of Inspector Decision

25-AID-2011- Jim Blake of Eastern Propane, 846 Broadway Lot 16, Saugus. Note: Per M.G.L. c. 30A, s. 18, post-hearing deliberations will be in a closed session

Board Delegated Staff Approvals- Special Permission

25-SPP-91- 10 Chandler St, Boston. Carrie Pepperdine was granted special permission for a combination waste and vent system.

FYI – Board Delegated Staff Approvals – Board Vote Not Required

- **24-DAGV-208-22 Mt Dumplin Rd, Palmer**. Thomas Donahue P.E. was granted full operation for an unlisted gas appliance.
- **24-DAGV-228- 275 Dorchester Ave, Boston**. Michael Camoscio was granted full operation for an unlisted gas appliance.
- **25-DAGV-90490- 25 Endicott St, Norwood**. Lawrence Roy P.E. was granted full operation for an unlisted gas appliance.
- **25-VSP-2003- 80 Locust St, Northampton**. Armand Lamour Smith Vocational HS was granted approval for a Vocational commercial project located at the above address.
- **25-VSP-2004- 1046 Blossom Rd, Fall River**. Keith Sousa Diman RVTHS was granted approval for a Vocational commercial project located at the above address.
- **25-VSP-2006- 487 Main St, Ashland.** Matthew Flynn Keefe Tech SMSD was granted approval for a Vocational commercial project located at the above address.
- **25-VSP-2007- 602 Union Ave, Framingham**. Matthew Flynn Keefe Tech SMSD was granted approval for a Vocational commercial project located at the above address.
- **25-VSP-2009- 750 Winter St, Framingham**. Matthew Flynn Keefe Tech SMSD was granted approval for a Vocational commercial project located at the above address.
- **25-VSP-2013- 822 Westhampton Rd**, Northampton. Armand Lamour was granted approval for a Vocational commercial project located at the above address.

BOARD WILL CONSIDER ANY MATTERS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY THE CHAIR

QUASI-JUDICIAL SESSION

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION Character Review

- 1. AL
- 2. WB
- 3. BW
- 4. TL

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Note: If you need reasonable accommodation to participate in the meeting, please reach out to Cheryl Yebba at 617-701-8711. While the Board will do its best to accommodate you, certain accommodation may not be available if requested immediately before the meeting