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# BOARD OF STATE EXAMINERS OF PLUMBERS AND GAS FITTERS

## **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**Wednesday, December 6, 2023

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	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	
Mr. Kenneth Peterson	Executive Director	X	
Mr. Michael Guida	Board Code Consultant	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

### **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

October 4, 2023

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

November 1, 2023

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

## **Introduction of New State Plumbing Inspector**

Jim Myette will be covering Area 1, or Western Massachusetts.

## **Discussion**

#### **Discussion 1**

Criteria and delegation to staff to approve additional examination attempts for those failing more than 6 times.

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

#### **Discussion 2**

Jim Blake of the Northeastern Massachusetts Plumbing and Gas Inspectors Association discussed the upcoming fossil fuel ban for several towns and cities in the Commonwealth and his opinion on the impact to the trade.

### **Variances**

#### 23-PV-1368, Christopher Garcia, 285 Old Westport Road, Dartmouth

The petitioner for UMass Dartmouth is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10 (18)(H)4 and 10.10 Table 1, to allow the use of the second floor of the multipurpose building to be utilized for two fashion design studios, without the code required facilities. State Inspector Lima has been notified.

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

#### 23-GV-1365 Addisyn Sharkey, 1 David Ortiz Drive, Boston

The Petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 5.10 (17) and 10.12.9 for a gas valve that is electrically operated, not mechanically as required in 248 CMR. State Inspector Lima has been notified.

Vote: JC to deny, JW seconded

Results: JC, JW, JM, HK, BK, RA, SB, DK to deny, WT to approve: Motion denied

#### 23-PV-1315, Mathew Deconzo, 500 Terminal E, Logan Airport, East Boston

The petitioner for Peet's Coffee is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.06 (2)(o)(3) to allow the use of PVC drainage in a commercial building. State Inspector Padden has been notified.

Vote: HK to approve with use of polypropylene piping to be transitioned back to cast iron after

the HVAC duct and cannot use PVC, JW seconded

Results: Unanimously approved

#### 23-PV-1286, Noreen McGrath, 1 Constitution Wharf, Charlestown

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.15(10)(a)(2), Sumps and Ejectors, to allow the use of a pump for drainage that is located above the building drain, and servicing one sink. State Inspector Padden has been notified.

NO ACTION TAKEN: VARIANCE WITHDRAWN

#### 23-PV-1281, Leon Dykas, 717-721 American Legion Highway, Roslindale

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.1(1)(H), section 2(a) and Table 2, Piping and Treatment of Hazardous Waste, to allow the use of PVC drainage piping to a tight tank for fertigation run-off. This is a post installation variance and the local inspector and Board of Health have been notified.

Vote: BK to deny, JW Seconded, JM recused

Results: Unanimously denied

#### 23-PV-1370, Randy Wilmot, 3 Ames Street, Cambridge

The petitioner for MIT is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10(18) (r) and Table 1, Minimum Facilities for Building Occupancy to allow for shared, gender-neutral toilet rooms throughout the 5-story residence hall renovation project. The local inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

Vote: WT to approve, JC Seconded, JM recused

Results: Unanimously approved

#### 23-PV-1371, Mariah Seaboldt, 651 Huntington Avenue, Boston

The petitioner for Harvard TH Chan School of Public Health is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10(18) (r) and Table 1, Minimum Facilities for Building Occupancy to allow for shared, gender-neutral toilet rooms for a first-floor renovation project that will be utilized by graduate students. The local inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

Vote: RA to approve, JW Seconded, JM recused

Results: Unanimously approved

#### 23-PV-1282, Stan Hilbert, 566 High Street, Dedham

The petitioner for Alta Restaurant Inc.is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10(18), Minimum Facilitates for Building Occupancy for restaurants, to allow the 75-seat establishment to have just two restrooms, one of which will be ADA complaint. The local inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

Vote: JC to approve, DK seconded Results: Unanimously approved

#### 23-PV-1283, Brian Hebert, 40 C Street, Whitinsville

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.08 Table 1, to allow the installation of a 1 ½ drainpipe on a shower. This is a post installation variance and the local inspector, and the Board of Health have been notified.

Vote: JW to deny, JC seconded Results: Unanimously denied

#### 23-PV-1285, Mary Pat Bogus, 268 Hayden Rowe Street, Hopkinton

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10 (7) (c), Shower Compartments, to allow the installation of a shower base that does not meet the 30" finished interior dimension requirements. The local inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

NO ACTION TAKEN: MOTION TABLED

#### 23-PV-1318, Jeremy Harold, 438 Stafford Street, Leicester

The petitioner for National Grid is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.02(6) (b), to allow the construction of a 9,100 sq. ft substation without installing the required toilet facilities. The local inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

Vote: RA to approve, DK seconded, JM recused

Results: RA, DK to approve, WT, JC, BK, SB, HK, to deny. Variance is denied

#### 23-PV-1313, Gilbert Castera, 100 Hemlock Road, Wakefield

The petitioner for the Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational High School is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10 Table 1, Minimum Facilities for Building Occupancy to allow a reduction in the required amount of toilet facilities for their planned multi-purpose athletic fieldhouse. The local inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

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

#### 23-PV-1319, Gilbert Castera, 150 Old Windsor Road, Dalton

The petitioner for the Wahconah Regional High School is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.15(10)(a)(2), Sumps and Ejectors, to allow the use of a sewage ejector pump for drainage that is located above the building drain. The local inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

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

#### 23-PV-1363, Michael, Aveni, 320 Washington Street Suite 5950, Woburn

The petitioner for the Winchester Hospital is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10 (18)(i) (4, 10.10 (18)(k), to allow a reduction in the required amount of toilet facilities for their proposed satellite doctor's office. The local inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

Vote: WT to approve, JW seconded, JM recused

Results: Unanimously approved

#### 23-PV-1367, Doug Anderson, 111 Boston Post Road, Sudbury

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10(18)(i)(1) and 10.10(18)(k)(1), to allow just one gender-neutral toilet room for staff, and a second one for visitors. The local inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

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

#### 23-GV-1372 Nick Chiusano, 45 Campanelli Drive, Westfield

The petitioner is seeking relief from 5.5.1(b)(3) and 5.6.2.2.1 to approve previously installed high density polyethylene gas piping (HDPE) serving a linear generator. This is a post-installation variance and the local inspector, and the Board of Health have been notified.

Vote: HK to deny, JW seconded Results: Unanimously denied

#### 23-PV-1366, John Morello, 44 Green River Way, Watertown

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.06 Materials, 10.05(3)(a) 3 Fittings to Be Used, to allow the use of propress copper fittings and type L copper for forced main and vent piping. This is a post-installation variance and the local inspector and the Board of Health have been notified.

Vote: WT to approve with the condition that the piping be installed with eighth bends and not quarter bends, JW seconded

Results: WT, JW, JM, HK, BK, RA, DK, SB to approve, JC to deny. Motion passes

## **Appeal of Inspector's Decision 23-AID-1312, William Connerney, 41 Gilbert Street, Framingham**

#### **Executive Session**

Character Reviews

- 1- K.L.
- 2- G.D
- 3- C.H.
- 4- J.M.

## **QUASI-JUDICIAL SESSION**

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

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

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## 23-DAGV-578-Charles Vaughan -300 Willow St N. Andover

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

FYI – Board Delegated Staff Approvals – Board Vote Not Required 23-VSP-1284 –Steve Medeiros-Plymouth South High School

The request is to allow students to install rough and finish plumbing for 1 Full Bath located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor and renovate another on the same floor. Located at 4 Philip Circle Plymouth.

### 23-VSP-1311 - Stephen Calzini Essex North Shore VTHS

The request is to allow students to install rough and finish gas for commercial cooking appliances. Located at 565 Maple St Danvers, Larkin Cottage.

### 23-VSP-1364 - Randy Dimitropolis-Pathfinder RVTHS

The request is to allow students to install a handicapped water closet and bidet. Located at 610 Federal St Belchertown.

Continued use of 1-1/2" tub drain for shower conversion.

David Renzello	77 Warren Rd	Ashland
David Renzello	51 Manet Ave	Quincy
David Renzello	12 Buteau Rd	Spencer
David Renzello	34 Pine Hill Rd	Swampscott
David Renzello	123 Holyoke St	Lynn
David Renzello	43 Constitution Way	Methuen
David Renzello	601 Boxberry Hill Rd	Falmouth
David Renzello	580 Thousand Oakes Dr	Brewster
David Renzello	9 Crown St	Worcester
Rene Dionne	79 Keith Ave	Brockton
Rene Dionne	917 Dighton Woods Cir	Dighton
Rene Dionne	255 North Rd Unit 168	Chelmsford
Rene Dionne	14 Rowland Dr	Chatham
Rene Dionne	50 Freedom Hollow Dr Unit 312	Salem
Rene Dionne	7 Chelsea Way	Tyngsboro
Rene Dionne	39 Robins St	E Bridgewater
Rene Dionne	16 Thomas Dr	Chelmsford
Rene Dionne	59 Hawlle	Brockton
Rene Dionne	2 Kennedy Ln Unit 25	Milford
Rene Dionne	35bHazen Rd Unit G3	Shirley
Rene Dionne	7 Secluded RGD	Southwick
Rene Dionne	117 Lake Shore Dr	Falmouth
Rene Dionne	406 Lincoln St Unit 310	Marlborough
Rene Dionne	120 Colonial Cir Unit C	Chicopee
Rene Dionne	6 Longley Rd	Scituate
Rene Dionne	15 Bayberry Cir	Millis

Rene Dionne	830 Reynolds Ave	Rehoboth
Rene Dionne	65 Cottage St	Natick
Rene Dionne	430 Malden St Unit A	Revere
Rene Dionne	29 Page Ave	Fitchburg
Matt Berkovitch	24 Mamelon Cir	Boston
Chuck McStay	254 Nottingham St	Springfield
Jonathan Mayer	80 Belvidere St	Springfield
Jonathan Mayer	70 Lilac Ln	Bridgewater
Danny LaFrance	22A Wellesley Ave	Natick
Rachelle Villarson	800 South St	Holbrook
David Renzello	9 Firefly Rd	Halifax
David Renzello	205 Meadow Ln	Randolph
David Renzello	223 High St	Hingham
David Renzello	6 Maplewood Ct	Gloucester
David Renzello	181 Pleasant View Ave	Braintree
Rene Dionne	141 Savin Hill Ave Unit C21	Boston
Rene Dionne	11 Church St	westminster
Rene Dionne	4 Edgewood Rd	Marblehead
Rene Dionne	53 Will Dr #142	Canton
Rene Dionne	1 Kayla Dr	Westford
Rene Dionne	14 Arthur Cir	Plymouth
Clint Mauche	75 Glad Valley Dr	Billerica
Clint Mauche	10 Clay St	Cambridge
Clint Mauche	20 Woodland Dr Unit 374	Lowell
Clint Mauche	2 Karen Cir Apt 13	Billerica
Clint Mauche	975 Memorial Dr Unit 606	Cambridge
Clint Mauche	17 Marychris Dr	Hudson
Donald Caldas	84 Armsby St	New Bedford
Susan Tate	53 Cottage St	New Bedford
Nicole Alexopoulos	20 Rose Ct	Norwood
Merrill Fortier	100 Barrett St	Needham
Julie O'Brien	1206 Greendale Ave	Needham
Janet Reynolds	205 Country Rd	Freetown
Mary Pat Bogus	268 Hayden Rowe	Hopkinton
Karen Ubby	6 Blue Jay Way	Kingston
Joe Seliger	52 Charles gate East	Boston
Sally Pollastri	23 Dillon St	Leominster
John Oconnor	10 Seaport Dr Unit 2211	Quincy
Silvio Tancredo	72 Dascomb Rd	Andover

Donald Barrows	54 Merrymount Rd Unit 4	Quincy
Jennifer Bylo	14C Hawthorne Village	Franklin
Jennifer Bylo	72 Donizetti St	Wellesley
Jennifer Bylo	30 Whittier Rd	Billerica
Jennifer Bylo	4 Temi Rd	Framingham
Jennifer Bylo	358 Grant St	Framingham
Jennifer Bylo	8 Arbor Ct	Peabody
Jennifer Bylo	73 Rosemary Rd	N Attleborough
Rene Dionne	29 Rainbow Pond Dr	Walpole
Rene Dionne	210 Ridge Rd	Marshfield
Rene Dionne	27 Hollis St	Randolph
Rene Dionne	399 Sea St Apt C	Quincy
Jonathan Mayer	7 Devlin	Blackstone
Chuck McStay	4 Greenwitch Ct	Boston
Chuck McStay	20 Bell St	Quincy
Matt Berkovitch	53 Forest Ln	Hopkinton
Karl Otterbach	239 Washington St	Canton
Patricia Cole	5 North St	Mattapoisett
Eve Dipronio	3 Vine Brook Way	Woburn
Dawn Denizkurt	2 Fletcher St	Plainville
Eugene Bertrand	125 Rathger St	Fall River
Stanislav Danilov	250 Hammond Pond Rd # 402 S	Newton
Kyle Blaisdell	406 Paradise Rd Unit 2D	Swampscott
Sivio Tancredo	17 Hillsboro St # 2	Boston
Sivio Tancredo	21 Old Meeting House Rd	Auburn
Chris Gagne	283 East Main St Unit 1	Norton
Jonathan Mayer	118 Harvard St	Quincy
Jason Santos	14 Oldfields Rd	Boston
Jennifer Bylo	13 Leonard Rd	Framingham
Jennifer Bylo	6-8 Chestnut St	Boston
Jennifer Bylo	19 Pinewood Dr	Framingham
Jennifer Bylo	15 Juniper Rd	Peabody
Jennifer Bylo	7 Manter Ct	Saugus
David Renzello	56 Countryside Ln	Norwood
David Renzello	1290 Washington St	E Bridgewater
David Renzello	4 Pondview Terr	Dudley
David Renzello	539 N Elm St	W Bridgewater
David Renzello	15 Willow Circle	Lunenburg
David Renzello	7 Winter Green Ln	Sandwich

98 Locust St	Burlington
6 Waterville Ln	Shrewsbury
4 Avalon Ct	Methuen
221 Oak Street Bld 2	Brockton
14 Cherry St	Newburyport
14 Ships Way Unit 14	Bourne
22 Norman Rd	Brockton
16 Appleton Park Apt F1	Ipswitch
210 Fellsview Terr #216	Stoneham
20 Hollow Oak Dr	Sudbury
157 W Main St	Ayer
8 Alma Ln	Danvers
59 Hull St	Beverly
331 Commercial st Unit 1	Provincetown
14 Harold St Unit 7-A	Harwich
37 Lee St Unit 6	Cambridge
62 Ashworth Terr	Haverhill
62 South St Unit 8	Quincy
1400 Comm Ave	Boston
37 Euclid	Gardner
50 Flying Mist Ln	Brewster
1150 Southbridge Rd	Warren
36 Justin Dr	Chicopee
10 Meeting Path Rd # 10	Ashland
	4 Avalon Ct  221 Oak Street Bld 2  14 Cherry St  14 Ships Way Unit 14  22 Norman Rd  16 Appleton Park Apt F1  210 Fellsview Terr #216  20 Hollow Oak Dr  157 W Main St  8 Alma Ln  59 Hull St  331 Commercial st Unit 1  14 Harold St Unit 7-A  37 Lee St Unit 6  62 Ashworth Terr  62 South St Unit 8  1400 Comm Ave  37 Euclid  50 Flying Mist Ln  1150 Southbridge Rd  36 Justin Dr

## 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: If you need reasonable accommodations 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 accommodations may not be available if requested immediately before the meeting.