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

## **February 5, 2025** **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**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 CONVENED A REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING  
MEETING VIA TELEPHONE/VIDEO CONFERENCE:**

### **Member and Staff Attendance**

<b>: MEMBERS</b>	<b>APPOINTMENT</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Mr. Joseph McNamee	Chairman, Master Gas Fitter	X	
Mr. Harold Knight	Vice-Chairman 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	
<b>STAFF</b>			
Mr. Charles Kilb	Board Legal Counsel	X	
Mr. Kenneth Peterson	Executive Director	X	
Mr. Michael Guida	Board Code Consultant	X	

## **9:00 A.M. AGENDA REVIEW:**

By Chairman Joe MacNamee

### **NOTICE**

“DOL will be moving in March of 2025 to One Federal Street, Boston. Logistics and outreach for the move are currently being addressed and planned.”

### **DISCUSSION**

Discussion 1- Code requirements in 248 CMR 10.10 Table 1 requiring public restrooms for facilities which under prior code would only require restrooms for employees.

Members discussed the code changes of 12/08/2023 that required public restrooms in smaller locations. Members directed Board counsel to draft a policy for consideration at their next meeting that would delegate approval of some of these variances to Board staff.

### **VARIANCE**

#### **25-PV-023, Michael Castagna, 200 Danton Road- Methuen**

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.09 to allow the installation of a 66,000 sq. ft assembly/warehouse without the required oil/water separator. The Board of Health and local inspector have been notified.

Vote: JC to deny, HK seconded

Results: Unanimously denied

#### **25-GV-31, Kevin Walsh, 10 World Trade, Boston**

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 7.03 (11)(c)(1-2) to allow the use of gas vent limiter in lieu of a piped regulator. This is a post-installation variance, State Inspector Padden has been notified.

Vote: WT to approve, DK seconded

Results: WT, DK, HK, JC, JW, RA, SB to approve, JM to deny, motion passes

**25-PV-022, Gary Brock, Wingate Hall, Woo Carlson Avenue, Newton**

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.09(n)(1)(a)(1)(C) to allow the installation of their vertical platform lift without the required elevator pump and oil/water separator. State Inspector O'Reilly has been notified.

Board members discussed the platform lift and decided to Take No Action.

**25-PV-026, Kenneth Reagan, 275 Cambridge Street, Boston**

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.05, 10.06, 10.19 to allow the installation of 12-Chery industrial, prefabricated bathrooms that are not product accepted. This is a post-installation variance. The Board of Health and local inspector have been notified.

Vote: JC to approve, JW seconded

Results: Unanimously approved

**25-PV-029, Richard Barbera, 1050 Centre Street, Boston**

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.14 (2)(e)(1) to allow greater than 80 psi of water pressure in a renovation project to accommodate the 6" water main required for their irrigation system. The Board of Health and local inspector have been notified.

Vote: WT to approve, JW seconded

Results: Unanimously approved

**25-PV-025, Kevin Sullivan, 188 Main Street, Falmouth**

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.06(2)(o)(1) to allow the use of PVC for the under slab sanitary building drains, branch drains and grease building drains for their bar/restaurant. The Board of Health and local inspector have been notified.

Vote: WT to deny, JC seconded

Results: Unanimously denied

**25-PV-027, Ossama Kanaan, 101 Main Street, Taunton**

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10(15)9a). 10.10(15)(c)(4) to allow a reduction in the required fixtures for their take-out only restaurant. The Board of Health and local inspector have been notified.

Vote: RA to approved, JC seconded

Results: Unanimously approved

**25-PV-013, Shane Bryant, 655 Water Street, Taunton**

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10 Minimum Facilities for their 1,200 sq ft storage/processing building without the required facilities. The recycling business has a bathroom approximately 80 ft from this structure. The Board of Health and local inspector have been notified.

Vote: JC to approve, JW seconded

Results: Unanimously approved

**25-PV-019, Steve Dunn, 50 Yarmouth Road, Hyannis**

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 3.04 to allow the installation of an accepted bar sink for a kitchen sink. This is a post-installation variance, and the Board of Health and local inspector have been notified.

Vote: RA to deny, JW seconded

Results: RA, JW, DK, HK to deny, SB, WT to approve, JM abstained, the motion passes

**25-PV-030, George Elston, 15 Railroad Street, Andover**

The petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR 10.10 Minimum Facilities for a reduction in the required fixtures for their 1,370 sq ft retail space. The Board of Health and local inspector have been notified.

Vote: WT to approve, JC seconded

Results: Unanimously approved

**Board Delegated Staff Approvals- Special Permission**

**25-DAGV-16- Maribel Fournier-911 Conant St Bridgewater**

The request for a variance for an unlisted HDPE ball valve 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**

**Fixtures**

**25-DAPV-17- David Ngo- 430 Stuart St Boston**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Vote: at 10:32 a.m. HK to enter Executive Session then adjourn, RA seconded

Results: Unanimously approved

**Items relied upon in meeting**

Agenda

Variance Applications