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MARCH 7, 2018 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS	APPOINTMENT	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Joseph McNamee	Chairman, Master Gas Fitter	X	
Mr. Wayne Thomas	Member, Journeyman Gasfitter	Х	
Mr. Bahig A. Kaldas, P. E.	Member, Plumbing Engineer	Х	
Ms. Sarah Badway	Consumer Member	Х	
Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez	Member, Master Plumber	Х	
Ms. Ruth Alfasso	Member, Department of Public Health	Х	
Mr. John Cruz	Member, LP Installer	Х	
Mr. Harold Knight	Member, Journeyman Plumber	Х	
Mr. Dan Kilburn	Member, Public Safety	Х	

9:00 A.M. AGENDA REVIEW: By Chairman Joseph McNamee

9:05 A.M.: APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

• The February 7, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve by Mr. John Cruz and seconded by Mr. Wayne Thomas

Result: Unanimous

• The February 7, 2018 Executive Session Minutes

A motion to approve by Mr. John Cruz and seconded by Mr. Harold Knight.

Result: Unanimous

PRODUCTS

P1) Shark Energy Systems

This is a new technology that uses waste water to heat domestic water. The waste water will pre heat the domestic water by means of a heat exchanger. The preheated water will then go to a storage tank which will be ready for heating to proper hot water temperatures. There is a dump valve which will go to the tank or to the sanitary system. This is for multifamily installations only. It presently installed in New Jersey, Washington and Canada.

Meeting Notes: The site in NJ is not the same product so information could not be obtained. The system is not being used in the US at this time but is used in Canada and England. The board was invited to the first start up if installed. It will be installed by a licensed plumber. The Board directed the company to properly submit the form for a test site.

A motion to approve was made by Mr. Harold Knight and seconded by Ms. Ruth Alfasso Condition(s): Approved for one system as a Test Site for a period of 6 months.

DISCUSSION(S)

D1) Application of 248 CMR 5.00 and 8.00 in regard to the storage and transport of liquefied petroleum. Meeting Notes: Board members indicated that Schedule 80 Threaded pipe and fittings can be used on Liquefied Petroleum gas in the physical state of liquid or vapor outside only as allowed in NFPA 58, 6.9. Product accepted crimping fittings may be used from the 1st stage regulator to the 2nd stage regulator. Condition(s): No formal vote taken

D2) Code Requirements for adult daycare facilities

Meeting Notes: Tabled to review the findings presented by Ms. Ruth Alfasso and to be compared with the

findings of Mr. Wayne Thomas regarding children's daycare centers.

Condition(s): No formal vote taken.

Result:

D3) Scheduling date and location for listening session required prior to amending 248 CMR 3.00 to 11.00.

Meeting Notes: Scheduled for April 25, 2018

Condition(s): No formal vote taken.

D4) Number of permits required for multi-unit buildings

Meeting Notes: Board members indicated that the number of permits required for multi-unit buildings are typically determined by the City or Town with a code required minimum of 1 permit per building.

Condition(s): No formal vote taken.

D5) Upcoming events – PHCC Trade Show March 10th, Bay Colony Master Plumber's Association March 28th Meeting Notes: Trade show has been posted on the website as a Board Meeting. The Bay Colony has not been posted as a Board Meeting.

Condition(s): No formal vote taken.

D6) Proposed policy on gray water installations

Meeting Notes: Counsel passed out a draft policy for review at a future Board meeting. The Board did not discuss the matter, but Mr. Harold Brett addressed the Board on this matter. He stated the UPC addresses this subject.

Condition(s): No formal vote taken.

VARIANCE REQUESTS

GV-104: TOM COHN - 40 FIRST AVENUE - WELLFLEET

The Petitioner, David Erickson is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 3.04 (1) to allow the installation of a completely restored 1950's Wedgewood gas range. A standing pilot is included, however it will operate on propane. As this is a gas variance, no Board of Health petitioning is required.

Meeting Notes: There is a safety control on the oven

A motion was made to approve by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez and seconded by Mr. Wayne Thomas.

Condition(s):

Result: unanimous

GV-112: MONICA BAUM – 328 SUMMER STREET - NORWELL

The Petitioner, David Erickson is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 3.04 (1) to allow the installation of a completely restored 1930's Magic Chef gas range. A standing pilot is included, however it will operate on propane. As this is a gas variance, no Board of Health petitioning is required.

Meeting Notes: There is a safety control on the oven

A motion was made to approve by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez and seconded by Mr. John Cruz.

Condition(s):

Result: unanimous

PV-112: ALEX ROSEN - 64 GRIFFIN STREET - FRAMINGHAM

The Petitioner, Thomas Haddock is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.15 to allow the installation of a utility sink in the mechanical room to pump waste from the laundry back to the drain on the other side if the home. The owner would like to relocate the laundry from the kitchen to the mechanical room in the rear of the home but would have to remove tile and hardwood flooring and saw cut the slab in order to install a gravity drain. The Framingham Board of Health is in favor of this variance request.

Meeting Notes: House was built in the 1950s. It is a slab on grade.

A motion was made to approve by Mr. Harold Knight and seconded by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez.

Condition(s): The pump discharge must go to the 4" stack.

Result: unanimous

PV-116: ALEX & ELIZABETH SALVI – 211 BARNES HILL ROAD - CONCORD

The Petitioner, Brian Bilo is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 3.04 (1) to allow the installation of a bathtub which is not Product Accepted. The tub is equipped with a tub waste and overflow assembly. The Concord Board of Health is aware of this variance request.

Meeting Notes: It has an optional overflow.

A motion was made to approve by Mr. Harold Knight and seconded by Mr. Daniel Kilburn.

Condition(s):

Result: unanimous

PV-117: CAP LONG WHARF, LLC - 61-70 LONG WHARF - BOSTON

The Petitioner, James Ierardi is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.10(18) to allow omitting the required floor drains in the tenant rest rooms on the 2nd floor. These rest rooms are located directly above a new transformer vault on the 1st floor. However, Eversource will not allow foreign piping located in the 1st floor space and the applicant indicates such an installation would violate the Electrical Code prohibiting pipes from passing through a transformer vault. The Petitioner proposes that the facilities be serviced by a janitor's service sink. Boston Inspectional Services is aware of this request.

Meeting Notes: The applicant did not appear.

A motion was made to Table by Ms. Ruth Alfasso and seconded by Mr. John Cruz.

Condition(s):

Result: Unanimous

PV-119: CHARLTON FAMILY DENTAL – 159 WORCESTER ROAD – UNIT B - CHARLTON

The Petitioner, Edward Coppelman is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 to allow the installation of one men's and one ladies room for use by both patients and staff instead of providing separate designated rest rooms for patients and staff. The Charlton Board of health supports to this request.

Meeting Notes: This is a new buildout which will be a 2000 square foot Dental office. There will be 45 people including 7 staff members. There are 8 exam rooms.

A motion was made to Approve with conditions By Mr. Wayne Thomas and seconded by Mr. John Cruz

Condition(s): 1 unisex bathroom for staff, plus 1 men's single use patient bathroom and 1 woman's single use patient bathroom.

Result: unanimous

PV-120: SANOFI CEREZYME - 8 NEW YORK AVENUE - FRAMINGHAM

The Petitioner, Paul Douglas is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 3.04 (1) to allow the installation of fiberglass (FRP) piping for the under-slab process waste, HBOD waste and glycol waste and double containment FRP piping for the under-slab zinc waste drainage system. The Framingham Board of health has no objection to this variance request.

Meeting Notes: This is a pharmaceutical plant. This is a continuation of a project with a previously granted variance.

A motion was made to approve by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez and seconded by Mr. Wayne Thomas.

Condition(s):

Result: unanimous

PV-121: UMASS – BERKSHIRE HOUSE – 121 COUNTRY CIRCLE - AMHERST

The Petitioner, Blakely Smith is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 to allow the conversion of one multistall rest room to a gender neutral multi-stall bathroom in an office building. The Petitioner's submissions indicate the building in question has the following current layout:

1st floor – 1 male toilet, 3 female toilets, 1 gender neutral toilet; 2nd floor – 3 male toilets; 3rd floor – 3 female toilets.

The Petitioner requests that the 3rd floor female toilets be converted to gender neutral. They do not request converting any male toilets.

Note: The Petitioner wishes to utilize the term gender-inclusive to describe the facilities. As part of the variance, the Petitioner proposes installing additional privacy strips along with additional sanitary waste dispensers. A breakdown of how many fixtures were required by the Code was not provided. As this is a State project, no Board of Health petitioning is required.

Meeting Notes: This is a post war dorm now used for offices. Bathrooms were not renovated. The stalls will go to floor but remain open up top. The Board members indicated that, to properly review the request, the Board must understand whether the subject installation is presently code compliant and the impact of removing or relabeling fixtures would have on that compliance.

A motion was made to table all U-Mass Amherst variance requests of this type until a plan review is conducted with the State Plumbing Inspector Fred Lima by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez and seconded by Mr. Wayne Thomas.

Condition(s):

Result: Unanimous

PV-122: UMASS – GOODELL BUILDING – 140 HICKS WAY - AMHERST

The Petitioner, Blakely Smith is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 to allow the conversion of two multistall rest rooms into gender neutral bathrooms in an office building. The Petitioner's submissions indicate the two rooms in question are on the 4th floor, one is currently a men's bathroom with 2 toilets and 5 urinals, the other is a women's bathroom with 5 toilets.

Note: The Petitioner wishes to utilize the term gender-inclusive to describe the facilities. As part of the variance, the Petitioner proposes installing additional privacy strips along with additional sanitary waste dispensers. The Petitioner also indicates a future plan to remove urinals. A breakdown of how many fixtures were required by the Code was not provided. As this is a State project, no Board of Health petitioning is required.

Meeting Notes:

A motion was made to table until a plan review is conducted with the State Plumbing Inspector Fred Lima by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez and seconded by Mr. Wayne Thomas.

Condition(s):

Result: Unanimous

PV-123: UMASS – FINE ARTS CENTER – 151 PRESIDENT'S DRIVE - AMHERST

The Petitioner, Blakely Smith is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 to allow the conversion of several multi-stall rest rooms to gender neutral bathrooms in an arts center. The Petitioner's submissions indicate the building in question has the following current layout and will make the following changes:

Sub-Basement -3 single user gender neutral bathrooms, 1 male bathroom with 2 toilets and 2 urinals, the proposal is for the male bathroom to be converted to gender neutral;

Basement -4 male bathrooms with 11 toilets, 11 urinals, 4 female bathrooms with 14 toilets, the proposal is for one male bathroom and one female bathroom, each with 2 fixtures (the male includes one urinal), to be converted to gender neutral;

 1^{st} floor -3 male bathrooms with 4 toilets, 3 urinals, 3 female bathrooms with 5 toilets, the proposal is for one male bathroom and one female bathroom, each with 1 fixture (no urinals), to be converted to gender neutral; 2^{nd} floor -3 male bathrooms with 4 toilets, 3 urinals, 3 female bathrooms with 5 toilets, the proposal is for one male bathroom and one female bathroom, the female with 2 toilets, the male with 1 toilet and 2 urinals, to be converted to gender neutral;

 3^{rd} floor -1 male bathroom with 1 toilet, 1 urinal, 1 female bathroom with 1 toilet, no changes

 4^{th} floor -2 male bathrooms with 5 toilets, 7 urinals, 2 female bathrooms with 5 toilets, the proposal is for one male bathroom and one female bathroom, the female with 2 toilets, the male with 2 toilets and 3 urinals, to be converted to gender neutral;

Note: The Petitioner wishes to utilize the term gender-inclusive to describe the facilities. As part of the variance, the Petitioner proposes installing additional privacy strips along with additional sanitary waste dispensers. The Petitioner also indicates a future plan to remove urinals. A breakdown of how many fixtures were required by the Code was not provided. As this is a State project, no Board of Health petitioning is required.

Meeting Notes:

A motion was made to table until a plan review is conducted with the State Plumbing Inspector Fred Lima by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez and seconded by Mr. Wayne Thomas.

Condition(s):

Result: Unanimous

PV-124: UMASS – HASBROUCK LABORATORY – 666 N. PLEASANT STREET - AMHERST

The Petitioner, Blakely Smith is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 to allow the conversion of two multistall rest rooms to gender neutral bathrooms in a classroom and office building. The Petitioner's submissions indicate the building in question has the following current layout and will make the following changes: Basement – 2 male bathrooms with 3 toilets and 4 urinals, 2 female bathrooms with 5 toilets, the proposal is for one male bathroom and one female bathroom, the male bathroom containing 2 toilets and 3 urinals, the female bathroom containing 3 toilets, to be converted to gender neutral;

 1^{st} floor -1 male bathroom with 2 toilets, 3 urinals, 1 female bathroom with 2 toilets, no changes proposed; 2^{nd} floor -1 male bathroom with 3 toilets, 2 urinals, 1 female bathroom with 2 toilets, 2 gender neutral single user bathrooms, no changes proposed;

3rd floor – 1 male bathroom with 2 toilets, 2 urinals, 1 female bathroom with 2 toilets, no changes proposed; Note: The Petitioner wishes to utilize the term gender-inclusive to describe the facilities. As part of the variance, the Petitioner proposes installing additional privacy strips along with additional sanitary waste dispensers. The Petitioner also indicates a future plan to remove urinals. A breakdown of how many fixtures

were required by the Code was not provided. As this is a State project, no Board of Health petitioning is required.

Meeting Notes:

A motion was made to table until a plan review is conducted with the State Plumbing Inspector Fred Lima by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez and seconded by Mr. Wayne Thomas.

Condition(s):

Result: Unanimous

PV-125: UMASS – MACHMER HALL – 240 HICKS WAY - AMHERST

The Petitioner, Blakely Smith is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 to allow the conversion of two multistall bathrooms to gender neutral in a classroom and office building. The Petitioner's submissions indicate the building in question has the following current layout and will make the following changes:

 1^{st} floor -1 male bathroom with 3 toilets and 3 urinals, 1 female bathroom with 4 toilets, no changes proposed; 2^{nd} floor -1 male bathroom with 4 toilets and 5 urinals, 1 female bathroom with 6 toilets, 2 single user gender neutral bathrooms, no changes proposed;

3rd floor – 2 male bathrooms with 5 toilets and 7 urinals, 2 female bathrooms with 7 toilets, the proposal is to convert one female bathroom with one toilet into gender neutral (code allowed if equally done to a male bathroom), and to convert one male bathroom with one toilet and one urinal into gender neutral.

4th floor – 1 male bathroom with 1 toilets and 1 urinals, 1 female bathroom with 1 toilet, no changes proposed. Note: The Petitioner wishes to utilize the term gender-inclusive to describe the facilities. As part of the variance, the Petitioner proposes installing additional privacy strips along with additional sanitary waste dispensers. The Petitioner also indicates a future plan to remove urinals. A breakdown of how many fixtures were required by the Code was not provided. As this is a State project, no Board of Health petitioning is required.

Meeting Notes:

A motion was made to table until a plan review is conducted with the State Plumbing Inspector Fred Lima by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez and seconded by Mr. Wayne Thomas.

Condition(s):

Result: Unanimous

PV-126: UMASS - MORRILL SCIENCE CENTER - 611-639 N. PLEASANT STREET - AMHERST

The Petitioner, Blakely Smith is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 to allow the conversion of several multi-stall rest rooms to gender neutral bathrooms in a science complex. The Petitioner's submissions indicate the building in question has the following current layout and will make the following changes:

1st floor -3 male bathrooms with 6 toilets, 7 urinals, 3 female bathrooms with 8 toilets, the proposal is for one male bathroom with 2 toilets and 4 urinals and one female bathroom with 3 toilets, to be converted to gender neutral;

2nd floor – 4 male bathrooms with 8 toilets, 10 urinals, 4 female bathrooms with 10 toilets and a single female urinal, and two single user gender neutral bathrooms, the proposal is for one male bathroom and one female bathroom, the female with 2 toilets and the female urinal, the male with 2 toilets and 3 urinals, to be converted to gender neutral;

3rd floor – 4 male bathrooms with 8 toilets, 9 urinals, 4 female bathrooms with 9 toilets and a single female urinal, the proposal is for 2 male bathrooms and 2 female bathrooms to be converted to gender neutral. One of the male and one of the female bathrooms are single user, thus no variance is required, the other male bathroom to be converted has 2 toilets, 3 urinals, the female bathroom to be converted has 2 toilets and the single female urinal

Note: The Petitioner wishes to utilize the term gender-inclusive to describe the facilities. As part of the variance, the Petitioner proposes installing additional privacy strips along with additional sanitary waste dispensers. The Petitioner also indicates a future plan to remove urinals. A breakdown of how many fixtures

were required by the Code was not provided. As this is a State project, no Board of Health petitioning is required.

Meeting Notes:

A motion was made to table until a plan review is conducted with the State Plumbing Inspector Fred Lima by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez and seconded by Mr. Wayne Thomas.

Condition(s):

Result: Unanimous

PV-127: UMASS - STUDENT CAMPUS CENTER - 41 CAMPUS CENTER WAY - AMHERST

The Petitioner, Blakely Smith is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 to allow the conversion of two existing multi-stall rest rooms on the second floor of a student activity center to gender neutral. The existing installations contains two male restrooms with 6 toilets and 9 urinals, and two female restrooms with 13 toilets. The proposal would be to convert one male bathroom and one female bathroom, the female with 3 toilets, the male with 1 toilet and 4 urinals, to be converted to gender neutral.

Note: The Petitioner wishes to utilize the term gender-inclusive to describe the facilities. As part of the variance, the Petitioner proposes installing additional privacy strips along with additional sanitary waste dispensers. The Petitioner also indicates a future plan to remove urinals. A breakdown of how many fixtures were required by the Code was not provided. As this is a State project, no Board of Health petitioning is required.

Meeting Notes:

A motion was made to table until a plan review is conducted with the State Plumbing Inspector Fred Lima by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez and seconded by Mr. Wayne Thomas.

Condition(s):

Result: Unanimous

PV-118: DCAMM - MASSACHUSETTS STATE HOUSE - 24 BEACON STREET - BOSTON

The Petitioner, Vincent Cirigliano is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 (18) to allow the renovation of the existing men's and ladies rest rooms for the State Senate Chamber and convert them both to Gender Neutral rest rooms. Each room had a single toilet, lavatory, and shower stall, the men's room had an additional urinal. The Petitioner intends to make these rest rooms handicap accessible for employees only, however in doing so the number of fixtures will be reduced below the number required by the plumbing code. As this is a State project, no Board of Health petitioning is required.

Meeting Notes: Resolved A motion was made to

Condition(s):

Result:

PV-133: DCAMM – MASSACHUSETTS STATE HOUSE – 24 BEACON STREET - BOSTON

The Petitioner, Vincent Cirigliano is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 (18) to allow the replacement of existing plumbing fixtures with new low flow fixtures as part of an energy upgrade without increasing the number of fixtures to the amount currently required by 248 CMR. The Petitioner states that existing conditions do not meet the code requirements for required numbers of plumbing fixtures or travel distances to bathrooms. As this is a State project, no Board of Health petitioning is required.

Meeting Notes: There is an energy and water conservation project. Only faucets and flushometers are being replace.

A motion was made to approve by Mr. Daniel Kilburn and seconded by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez.

Condition(s):

Result: Unanimous

PV-128: NRJP LLC - 7 TANTALLON ROAD - ANDOVER

The Petitioner, Kenneth Feyl is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.09 to allow the installation of overhead doors for a new parking garage without floor drains and a separator. The Petitioner proposes to sheet drain the entire garage parking area to a site drainage system due to the property being located within the flood plain for the Shawsheen River where flooding has occurred in the past. The Andover Board of health supports this request.

Meeting Notes: It is open to the outside and not heated. There are 2-900 gallon stormceptors outside. 24 parking spaces inside

A motion was made to approve with conditions by Mr. Wayne Thomas and seconded by Mr. Harold Knight. Condition(s): Floor drains installed and tied into the existing storm system to be treated with the existing stormceptors.

Result: Unanimous

PV-129: WILMINGTON FAMILY CHIROPRACTIC – 299 MAIN STREET - WILMINGTON

The Petitioner, Stephen Jensen is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 to allow the installation of one unisex accessible rest room for staff and patients in lieu of providing separate facilities. The proposed space is 1,560 sq. ft. and will typically be occupied by 3-6 individuals including patients and staff. The Wilmington Board of health supports to this request.

Meeting Notes: This is a Chiropractic office and is limited for space. There will be a maximum of 6 people including staff.

A motion was made to approve with conditions by Mr. Daniel Kilburn and seconded by Mr. John Cruz. Condition(s): Installation of a water cooler.

Result: Unanimous

PV-132: DORCHESTER BEER HOLDINGS LLC – 1250 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE - BOSTON

The Petitioner, Travis Lee is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 for a taproom which serves alcohol, snacks, and periodically hosts food trucks to not to require additional plumbing fixtures be installed. The facility contains 4 bathrooms, one having 4 urinals, the other three each having a toilet and has an occupancy of 166 persons. The Petitioner requests to be permitted to have special events twice a month which would host up to 406 persons, in lieu of additional fixtures, the Petitioner would like to indefinitely utilize portable toilets for these events due to a concrete floor making additional bathroom installations difficult. Boston Inspectional Services is aware of this request.

Meeting Notes: The occupancy limit is exceeded for 3 or 4 hours on a few Saturdays a month. There are 85 seats. 3 toilets and three urinals. There are 7 employees. There are 2 WC for women, 1 bathroom with 3 urinals for men and 1 unisex bathroom. There are 4 tables outside with 16 seats.

A motion was made to approve with conditions by Mr. Wayne Thomas and seconded by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez

Condition(s): not to exceed 120 seats

Result: Unanimous

PV-134: SATTLER COLLEGE - 100 CAMBRIDGE STREET - BOSTON

The Petitioner, Nicole Hathaway is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 (18) to utilize two drinking water supply stations in lieu of code requirements for five based on the maximum occupancy load of 360 students. As this is a State project, no Board of Health petitioning is required.

Meeting Notes:

A motion was made to Approve with conditions by Mr. Harold Knight and seconded by Mr. John Cruz. Condition(s): Rough in five drinking fountains.

Result: Unanimous

PV-135: WELLNESS IN MOTION – 1620 BEACON STREET - BROOKLINE

The Petitioner, Gary Dewolfe is seeking a post installation variance from 248 CMR 10.10 to allow the installation of one unisex accessible rest room for staff and patients in lieu of the required two. The office area is 1,387 sq. ft. and contains four treatment rooms, one acupuncture room and one massage room. The shower depicted on the plans was strictly for use by the tenant. The Brookline Board of health has no objections to this request.

Meeting Notes: There are two existing bathrooms.

A motion was made to approve with conditions by Mr. Daniel Kilburn and seconded by Mr. Joseph

Waskiewiez.

Condition(s): Change the designation of the bathrooms to unisex

Result: Unanimous

GV-136: Greater Lawrence Sanitary District – North Andover

The Petitioner, Paul Dionne is seeking a post installation variance for a digester gas piping system that was installed without ensuring compliance with the gas code. The Petitioner has assumed responsibility for all installed gas work and will ensure all necessary remedial corrections are made with consultation of a properly licensed Massachusetts engineer. As this is a gas variance, no board of health petition is required.

Meeting Notes: This is a 5 psi system. The petitioner will be using the methane gas to supply a co-generator. The piping was installed by unlicensed individuals. Board member Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez addressed the Board and stated he has worked on this type of installation in the past with Mr. Paul Kennedy that all piping underground and above was under jurisdiction of 248 CMR. Everything above ground will be stainless steel. Below ground will be HD poly.

A motion was made to approve with conditions by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez and seconded by Mr. John Cruz. Condition(s): A plumber must take responsibility of the existing piping and be properly tested.

Result: Unanimous

GV-137: Greater Lawrence Sanitary District – North Andover

The Petitioner, Daniel Flaherty, is seeking relief from NFPA 5.6.2.2.1 as adopted pursuant to 248 CMR 5.05(6). The Petitioner indicates that High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) natural gas piping was installed below grade after the master meter. The existing HDPE piping is rated for 100 PSI and distributes natural gas at 15 PSI to multiple buildings on campus. The Petitioner requests to use the HDPE Piping below grade from the points of connection to existing HDPE piping to the point where it comes above grade, at which point welded steel piping will be used. The Petitioner indicates that this is necessary due to the lack of availability of approved products to convert from HDPE piping to welded steel piping suitable for below grade installation. The Petitioner states that HDPE piping is rated for use in buried applications at a maximum operating pressure of 100 PSI, which meets the maximum allowable working pressure of 100 PSI and 15 PSI distribution pressure required for this application. As this is a gas variance, no board of health petition is required.

Meeting Notes: The materials are only for the natural gas system. The main is 15 psi.

A motion was made to approve by Mr. Wayne Thomas and seconded by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez.

Condition(s):

Result: Unanimous

FYI – Board Delegated Staff Approvals – Board Vote Not Required

Full operation of unlisted gas equipment

DAGV38 – Hanover Insurance Co.-440 Lincoln St. – Worcester – New gas train boiler #3

DAGV47 – Callaway Golf Ball Operations – 425 Meadow St. – Chicopee – Dyne-A-Flame 200 Surface Treater

DAGV94 – L.J. Linen – 71 Allen St. – Springfield – Sheet ironing and folding unit

DAGV248 – Yup Coffee Roasters – 296 Nonotuck St. – Northampton – Joper BSR 15 Coffee Roaster and afterburner

At 11:00 the chairman called for a ten minute recess.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

CHARACTER REVIEW(S)

At approximately 11:17 p.m., the Chairman stated the Board would need to enter into Executive Session to discuss applicant's character, rather than competence and would return to an Open Session in approximately thirty minutes if there were any open session items not reasonably anticipated prior to the meeting.

A motion was made to enter executive session by Ms. Ruth Alfasso and seconded by Mr. Harold Knight, thereafter a roll call vote was taken:

MEMBER	YEA	NAY	ABSENT	RECUSED	ABSTAINED
Mr. Thomas	✓				
Mr. McNamee	✓				
Ms. Badway	✓				
Mr. Waskiewiez	✓				
Mr. Kaldas	✓				
Ms. Alfasso	✓				
Mr. Cruz	✓				
Mr. Knight	✓				
Mr. Kilburn	✓				

Participants were asked to leave the room until called one by one.

At 12:05 p.m., the Board came back into open session.

At 12:06 a motion was made to adjourn by Mr. Harold Knight and seconded by Ms. Ruth Alfasso

List of Documents used

Agenda

Minutes

Variance Applications for each agenda item

Draft gray water policy