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

**December 2, 2020 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 regular monthly meeting via Gotomeeting conference on:

Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters  
Wed, Dec 2, 2020 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (EST)

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It is anticipated that the topics shown below will be discussed at the aforementioned meeting:



***Member and Staff Attendance***

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>APPOINTMENT</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Mr. Joseph McNamee	Member, Master Gas Fitter		
Mr. Dan Kilburn	Member, DPL Designee		
Mr. Harold Knight	Member, Journeyman Plumber		
Mr. John Cruz	Member, LP Installer		
Mr. Bahig A. Kaldas, P. E.	Member, Plumbing Engineer		
Mr. Joseph V. Waskiewicz	Member, Master Plumber		
Mr. Wayne Thomas	Member Journeyman Gasfitter		
Ms. Ruth Alfasso	Member, Dept. of Public Health		
Ms. Sarah Badway	Public Member		
<b>STAFF</b>			
Mr. Charles Kilb	Board Legal Counsel		
Ms. Karen Brann	Board Executive Director		
Ms. Mary Collins-McCarthy	Associate Executive Director		
Mr. Taylor Roth	State Plumbing Investigator		
Mr. Scott Padden	State Plumbing Investigator		
Mr. Fredrick Lima	State Plumbing Investigator		
Mr. James O'Reilly	State Plumbing Investigator		
Mr. Joseph Peluso	Board Consultant		

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

**UP COMING MEETING VENUE**

Due to the COVID-19 State of Emergency upcoming meeting venue may change

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

**Board Meeting Minutes**

October 7, 2020

October 7, 2020 Executive Session

November 4, 2020

November 4, 2020 Executive Session

**DISCUSSION**

**D1 – Meeting Schedule for 2021**

**D2 - Updates**

## **VARIANCE REQUEST(S)**

### **PV-53 – ALLA DUPONT – 1885 WESTFIELD STREET – WEST SPRINGFIELD**

**This case was tabled from the 10/7/2020 meeting.**

**This is a Post-Installation variance.** The Petitioner (Grigoriy Fishtik from Greg's Plumbing) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, Section 3.09 Product, Design and Testing Standards (0) product acceptance, for a shower unit that does not have Mass approval. The local Board of Health has been notified.

### **PV-74 – CITY OF SALEM – ARTISTS' ROW BATHROOMS**

The Petitioner (Julie Barry from the City of Salem) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, to create accessible gender-neutral toilet rooms in lieu of separate men's and women's toilet rooms. There will be four stalls in total. The local Board of Health has been notified.

### **DAPV-83 – RICHARD ZECKHAUSER – 975 MEMORIAL DRIVE APT 912 - CAMBRIDGE**

The Petitioner (Richard Zeckhauser) was granted a variance from 248 CMR, Section 10.10 (7) (c) 4 to allow the continued use of an existing 1 ½" bathtub drain for a new proposed shower. The Petitioner omitted from his application that they would like permission for the use of a curb-less shower for a wheelchair. The local Board of Health has been notified.

### **SPECIAL PERMISSION PLUMBING REQUEST**

#### **SPP-94 – CAPE COD COMMUNITY COLLEGE – 2240 IYANNOUGH ROAD – WEST BARNSTABLE**

The Petitioner (Clement Cid) is seeking a Special Permission Plumbing request for the toilet wastewater treatment and recycling system that is being proposed to be installed at Cape Cod Community College. The "Toilet of the Future" (TOTF) developed by Caltech and Eco-San will be used as a demonstration prototype at Cape Cod Community College for environmental education purposes. By removing >95% nitrogen and >70% phosphorus, the TOTF will help reduce coastal pollution. Once installed, the TOTF will consist of a closed loop treatment unit (biological + electrochemical) attached to a traditional flush toilet by clearly marked plumbing (e.g. colored and labeled pipes and tanks) and a water pressure 30% lower than the pressure of drinking water at site. The water connection used for starting up the unit will be made to the unit through a back-flow prevention valve in addition to a manual valve.

### **PV-96 PILAR IGIEIAS– 221 MT AUBURN STREET – UNIT 502 – CAMBRIDGE**

The Petitioner (Robert Lynch from Wellesley Plumbing and Heating) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, Section 10.15 9e # 1-5, to install a washer/drier unit. The washer/drier unit would fit under the countertop in the kitchen. There was a similar unit there previously. The client's elderly parents will be living there after the condo is renovated and they want to provide them with laundry facilities in the condo so they wouldn't have to leave the apartment to do laundry during the pandemic. The washer/drier was in the permit plans originally submitted to the City of Cambridge but the issue was not brought to the Petitioner's attention until the rough plumbing inspection and they were told they would need to apply for a variance. The local Board of Health has been notified.

### **PV-106 AMAZON.COM SERVICES, INC. – 1 NATIONAL STREET – MILFORD**

The Petitioner (Patrick Neilan from Kleeberg Mechanical Services) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, Section 3.04, to use a 15' tall custom made tank sewage basin. Due to the invert of the inlet sewage piping, the sewage ejector basin is required to be much deeper than the standard products Topp Industries currently has approved on the Mass Plumbing Product Approval list. The Local Board of Health has been notified.

**PV-108 SEAPORT OMNI HOTEL – 450 SUMMER STREET - BOSTON**

The Petitioner (Frank Teebagy from Cosentini Associates) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, Section 10.06, for the use of PVC for sanitary and kitchen waste piping in the interstitial space only. The exterior grading and interstitial space was added between the basement and the first level. The kitchen is located over the interstitial space which is 20” deep. This is a state project, local Board of Health petition is not needed.

**PV-110 MASS COLLEGE OF ART – 621 HUNTINGTON AVENUE- BOSTON**

The Petitioner (Christopher Orefice from Manny’s Plumbing and Heating) is seeking a post-installation variance from 248 CMR, Sections 10.10 to convert two existing restrooms from men’s and women’s to single user, gender neutral, accessible restrooms. The restrooms are located on the 11<sup>th</sup> floor which houses administrative offices. There are 36 staff members working on the floor. The Petitioner is also seeking relief from 248 CMR, Section 10.10.10.b.2.h, due to the fact that there are no separate toilets for students and staff on the 11<sup>th</sup> floor. The toilet rooms for students are located on floor 9, 10, 12 and 13. This is a state project, local Board of Health petition is not needed

**PV-111 COMMERCIAL PROJECT – BAY PATH VETERINARY CENTER AT SECOND CHANCE ANIMAL SERVICES – 700 WORCESTER STREET – SOUTHBRIDGE**

The Petitioner ( Bay Path Regional Vocational Technical High School) is seeking approval for a commercial project to renovate a building to become a full-service animal hospital on the first floor and a classroom/lab area on the basement level. Plumbing work will include retrofit of a non-accessible bathroom to one that is accessible, bringing water and drain lines to surgical and exam rooms, the installation of a sewer injection pump and underground sewer line in the basement, a new accessible bathroom for student use in the basement and water and sewer lines for a student lunch room in the basement. Required trenching will be subcontracted out. The students will complete all rough and finished plumbing in a separate storage building. Students will use no-hub cast iron pipe and fittings for underground drainage and copper DWV for the waste and venting, water lines will be type L copper pipe and copper fittings. The finished work will include the installation and testing of each of the plumbing fixtures.

**PV-114 DOGTOPIA – 747 PROVIDENCE HIGHWAY, SPACE 33A – DEDHAM**

The Petitioner (Jim Riley from Red Barn Dog Holdings, LLC) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, Section 10.10 (18) to allow only 1 accessible restroom in a 5,000 s.f. dog boarding facility. The local Board of Health has been notified.

**PV-118 COMMERCIAL PROJECT APPLICATION – TOWN OF WESTPORT KIRBY HOUSE 573 ADAMSVILLE ROAD – WESTPORT**

The Petitioner (Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School) is seeking approval for a commercial project application for students to learn skills for Plumbing and Gas Fitting work. Plumbing work will include boiler replacement, possibly converting to a high efficient boiler, installing/relocating a backflow preventer. Gas Fitting work will include boiler replacement, relocation/piping of an existing gas line to a new boiler.

**PV-119 LISA DORLANDO 37 GRAY LANE LYNNFIELD**

The Petitioner (Tim Procopio from Halco Showroom) is seeking a variance from 248 CMR, for approval to use a soaking tub that is not on the Mass Plumbing Approval list. Tub Information: Signature hardware, 66” Donnelly Hammered Copper Clawfoot Slipper Tub, Standard Overflow.

**PV-124 BUNKER HILL COMMUNITY COLLEGE – 250 NEW RUTHERFORD AVENUE-BOSTON**

The Petitioner is seeking relief from 248 CMR to use designated areas of the college (designated areas are BHCC Building G gymnasium, lobby, adjacent bathrooms, showers and locker room facilities) as necessary to shelter homeless people in response to the ongoing COVID-19 emergency. Maximum capacity is 60 with the count being closer to 40 on any given night. The shelter operations are scheduled to begin on December 1, 2020 and end on April 30, 2021. The facility will be staffed by a homeless shelter provider and private/contracted security.

**PV-125 NORTH SHORE COMMUNITY COLLEGE – 300 BROAD STREET - LYNN**

The Petitioner is seeking a variance from 248 CMR. The Petitioner will be converting a modular building currently used as classrooms, to a temporary homeless shelter at North Shore Community College in Lynn. The temporary shelter is necessary as the capacity of the current shelter has been greatly reduced due to social distancing requirements. There are bathrooms on site but no showers at the temporary shelter. The shelter has proposed a shuttle service from the temporary shelter to the main shelter for showers. The temporary shelter will have 2 staff people in the building 24 hours a day and will operate during the winter months.

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

**DAGV -215 – Worthen Industries – 530 Main Street – Canton**

The Petitioner (Etter engineering) is seeking a variance from 524 CMR, Section 3.04 (1), to upgrade a drying oven with a gas fired packaged heater box.

**THE VARIANCE REQUESTS BELOW ARE ALL SEEKING A VARIANCE FROM 248 CMR, SECTION 10.10 (7) (c) 4, TO ALLOW THE CONTINUED USE OF AN EXISTING 1 ½ BATHTUB DRAIN FOR A NEW PROPOSED SHOWER.**

**DAPV – 71 – LAUREN GRAY – 75 COTTON AVENUE – BRAINTREE**

**DAPV-97 – JOHN STAZINSKI – 27 NORTON DRIVE – NORWOOD**

**DAPV – 99 – TIMOTHY AND KATHY MALONEY – 86 BRADFORD COMMONS LANE - BRAINTREE**

**DAPV-101 – BARBARA ABD FRITZ CARTER – 79 CLIFF AVENUE UNIT 1 – WINTHROP**

**DAPV-102 – GREG PINK – 78 BROOKFIELD CIRCLE – FRAMINGHAM**

**DAPV – 103- NECHAMA CHAJA ABKOWITZ – 210 NAHANTON STREET #520 – NEWTON**

**DAPV -107 – NANCY DELUCA MCQUAIDE – 36 PLAIN STREET – WEST BRIDGEWATER**

**DAPV – 112 – MARY MARKOS – 50 RANTOUL STREET UNIT 107 BEVERLY**

**DAPV-113 - ZINA BALLIN – 280 BOYLSTON STREET #312 – CHESTNUT HILL**

**DAPV-115 – RONALD BREVARD – 126 CLEAR POND DRIVE WALPOLE**

**DAPV-122 – JOAN D’ANNOLFO – 16 WILLOW STREEET UNIT 407 – MELROSE**

**DAPV-123 – ROBERT DUNCAN – 111 TAMARACK LANE ABINGTON**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

### **CHARACTER REVIEW(S)**

1. R.T.
2. J.L.

## **QUASI JUDICIAL SESSION**

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

## **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.