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NOTICE OF MEETING

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 on:

January 8, 2020 @ 9 a.m. until approximately 12 p.m.
Quincy High School, 100 Coddington Street in Quincy

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

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

MEMBERS	APPOINTMENT	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mr. Joseph McNamee	Member, Master Gas Fitter		
Mr. Wayne Thomas	Member Journeyman Gasfitter		
Mr. Dan Kilburn	Member, DPL Designee		
Ms. Ruth Alfasso	Member, Dept. of Public Health		
Mr. Harold Knight	Member, Journeyman Plumber		
Mr. John Cruz	Member, LP Installer		
Mr. Bahig A. Kaldas, P. E.	Member, Plumbing Engineer		
Mr. Joseph V. Waskiewiez	Member, Master Plumber		
Ms. Sarah Badway	Public Member		
STAFF			
Mr. Laurent A. Lemieux	Board Executive Director		
Mr. Scott Padden	State Plumbing Investigator		
Mr. Taylor Roth	State Plumbing Investigator		
Mr. Charles Kilb	Board Legal Counsel		
Ms. Cynthia Johnson	Board Administrative Assistant		
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

UPCOMING MEETING VENUES

February 5th: The Office of Public Safety & Inspections
365 East Street Tewksbury, MA

March 4th: Bristol Plymouth Vocational
207 Hart Street
Taunton, MA 02780

March 7th: PHCC of Massachusetts Trade Show Code Seminar from 8:00 am – 10:00 am
Best Western Royal Plaza Hotel & Trade Center
181 Boston Post Rd
W. Marlborough, MA 01752

April 1st: Greater Lowell Technical School
250 Pawtucket Boulevard
Tyngsborough, MA 01879

PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 142, §4, 13 and c. 30A, §2, the Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters will hold a public hearing relative to proposed promulgation of amendments to the Board's regulations at 248 CMR 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 10.00, and 11.00. By these amendments, the Board seeks to clarify permitting requirements, the scope of gas fitting, requirements for gas piping, materials used in plumbing, and the time required to obtain plumbing licensure. A small business impact statement is on file with the Secretary of State's Office regarding these changes.

VARIANCE REQUESTS

- ❖ **PV- 129 – East Brookfield District Court – 554 East Main St – East Brookfield**
Applicant Seshappa Chandrashekar is requesting a variance to allow for the continuation of existing non-vented roof drains piping systems in the four mechanical rooms of the East Brookfield District Court building. The project will involve replacing HVAC units with units designed as outdoor rooftop equipment, thus a variance is needed as the State Plumbing Inspector determined the rooms are considered enclosed. This is a state facility therefore no Board of Health has been notified.
- ❖ **PV- 134 – Marbella Lofts – 5-7 Hampshire St. – Methuen**
This is a post installation variance. Applicant Leoandy Guzman is seeking a variance for non-compliant fixtures. The Methuen Board of Health has been petitioned.
- ❖ **PV-143 - Waterside Place - 505 Congress Street – Boston**
Applicant John Del Tufo is seeking a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 (18) (k) Medical and Health Care Building Toilet Facilities. The proposed project will be occupied by a veterinary Facility. The applicant states the existing concrete slab is structural and does

not allow for four (4) bathrooms and other required plumbing fixtures. The space is approximately 3600 square feet. This is a state facility therefore no Board of Health documentation is required.

❖ **PV-114-Raw Seafood-481 Currant Rd.-Fall River**

Applicant Larry Couto is requesting to install Schedule 40 Polypropylene drain pipe and fitting for waste and vent systems in process areas in lieu of code requirement of cast iron for waste and vent system in commercial building. The Fall River Board of Health has been notified.

❖ **PV-115-FB Packing-5 Fifth St.-Peabody**

Applicant Larry Couto is requesting to install Schedule 40 Polypropylene drain pipe and fitting for waste and vent systems in process areas in lieu of code requirement of cast iron for waste and vent system in commercial building. The Peabody Board of Health has been notified.

FYI – Board Delegated Staff Approvals – Board Vote Not Required

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

❖ **DAPV-140 – Andrea Richman – 280 Boylston Street – Newton (Chestnut Hill)**

Applicant Andrea Richman is installing a shower into an existing 1-1/2” tub drain. The variance package included a note from a health care professional. The in-office approval included the condition of a six inch threshold from the top of the drain outlet to the top of the barrier lip and only one two point five gallon per minute maximum shower head. The Newton Board of Heath has been notified.

High School Stadium / Field Fifty Percent Reduction of Toilet Facilities

□ **DAPV-98-Barnstable Public Schools-835 Falmouth Rd.-Hyannis**

David Kanyock is requesting a variance from 248 CMR 10.10 (18) table 1 minimum facilities in stadiums. The stated total capacity of the proposed bleachers construction project is 400 persons. The proposal is to install 7 women water closets and 2 lavatories and 2 men toilets, 2 urinals along with 2 lavatories, resulting in a 50 percent reduction in the required fixtures. This project was approved in office through Board Delegated Authority. The Barnstable Board of Health has been properly notified.

Full operation of unlisted gas equipment

❖ **DAGV-130 FY-18 Richard Weare – 240 Charles Street – North Andover**

Full operation of two dual fuel gas trains (natural and digester) serving two Milton CAT reciprocating engine generators. Subject to the approval of the local Gas Inspector.

❖ **DAGV-89 FY-20 OMG, Inc. 153 Bowels Road – Agawam**

Full operation of Endothermic gas generators. Subject to the approval of the local Gas Inspector.

Vocational School Projects

- **RPA-6-189 Lakeshore Drive, Lot 1B, Ashburnham**
This project is a new construction single family dwelling, consisting of two full bathrooms, a kitchen, and laundry. Students will apply for necessary permits, design and install the DWV and water distribution system, install all fixtures and stand all inspections with instructor. There is no gas work associated with this project. The Ashburnham plumbing inspector has been notified.

- **RPA-6-189 Lakeshore Drive, Lot 1A, Ashburnham**
This project is a new construction single family dwelling, consisting of two full bathrooms, a kitchen, and laundry. Students will apply for necessary permits, design and install the DWV and water distribution system, install all fixtures and stand all inspections with instructor. There is no gas work associated with this project. The Ashburnham plumbing inspector has been notified.

- ❖ **CPA-14 - B P R V T H S - 57 Old Muggett Hill Road – Charlton**
This project will be performed at the Field House on the school campus. It will consist of the installation of plumbing for bathrooms. The first stage will consist of cast iron drainage pipe and fittings underground. The second stage will continue roughing the DWV system for the field house. The waste and vent system will consist of no-hub cast iron DWV copper pipe and fittings. Water piping will consist of propress type fittings and copper piping. The third stage the students will install the finish plumbing fixtures, water closets; wall hump sinks and urinals. Students will install point of use electric water heater. There is no gas fitting work associated with this application. The Charlton Plumbing Inspector has been notified.

- ❖ **CPA-8 – Assabet Valley RTHS – 215 Fitchburg St. – Marlborough**
This project is to renovate a commercial kitchen for the Culinary program at Assabet Valley RTHS. For plumbing, students will be upgrading equipment such as an ice-maker and hand-wash sinks. For gas fitting, the students will be upgrading equipment such as a cooktop grill, a salamander, and a fryolator. The Marlborough Plumbing Inspector has been notified.

MISCELLANEOUS

Discuss/Vote - Changes to 248 CMR 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 10.00, and 11.00

CLOSED: EXECUTIVE SESSIONS/INVESTIGATIVE CONFERENCES

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

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.