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OCTOBER 4, 2017 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

| MEMBERS | APPOINTMENT | PRESENT | ABSENT |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------|--------|
| Open Seat | Journeyman Gasfitter | | |
| Mr. Joseph McNamee | Member, Master Gas Fitter | √ | |
| Mr. Bahig A. Kaldas, P. E. | Member, Plumbing Engineer | √ | |
| Ms. Sarah Badway | Consumer Member | √ | |
| Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez | Member, Master Plumber | √ | |
| Ms. Ruth Alfasso | Member, Dept. of Public Health | √ | |
| Mr. John Cruz | Member, LP Installer | √ | |
| Mr. Harold Knight | Member, Journeyman Plumber | √ | |
| Mr. Dan Kilburn | Member, Public Safety | √ | |

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

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

- The September 27, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made to approve by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez and seconded by Mr. Harold Knight. Mr. Bahig Kaldas and Ms. Ruth Alfasso abstained

Result: 6 in favor, 2 abstained

- The September 27, 2017 Executive Session Minutes

A motion was made to approve by Mr. Joseph Waskiewiez and seconded by Mr. Harold Knight. Mr. Bahig Kaldas and Ms. Ruth Alfasso abstained

Result: 6 in favor, 2 abstained

VOCATIONAL SCHOOL PROJECT(S)

V3) WORCESTER TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL – 1 SKYLINE DRIVE – WORCESTER

PROJECT: The applicant seeks permission for an offsite school project to install commercial kitchen sinks as well as a washer and gas dryer for an office to be utilized by Habitat for Humanity. The applicant indicates they will have three instructors supervising six students for this project. As this is a commercial school project, a representative from the school is required to attend the meeting.



Meeting Notes: The applicant was not present at the meeting.

A motion was made to table by Mr. Harold Knight and seconded by Joseph Waskiewicz

Result: unanimous

VARIANCES

PV34 - BAYSTATE NOBLE HOSPITAL - 15 WEST SILVER STREET - WESTFIELD

The Petitioner (Nicole Parker) requests a variance from 248 CMR 3.04 to utilize a non-product accepted hand sink. The Petitioner indicates that they were unable to find an accepted fixture for use with ISO Classified Ante Rooms which supports their specific operation and procedural requirements associated with ante room gowning, hand-washing, and cleaning procedures while also adhering to both USP8797 and MA draft sterile compounding regulations. The specific hardship has been to find a particular fixture which meets the exact dimensional requirements required for hand and fore-arm washing procedures while not impeding on ante room material and personnel circulation needs. The Westfield Board of Health reviewed the plan and design for the proposed new hand sink and opined that this sink will meet all applicable state sanitary code standards. Therefore, the Board of Health supports the installation of this piece of equipment.

Meeting Notes: The sink is stainless steel

A motion was made to approve by Mr. Harold Knight and Seconded by Mr. Joseph Waskiewicz.

Result: unanimous

PV35 – D’AMOUR CANCER CENTER - 3350 MAIN STREET -SPRINGFIELD

NOTE: This is the same subject matter as PV34, however it is a different building in a different city

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

Result: unanimous

PV46 – LARRY SIMON RESIDENCE – 60 LONGWOOD AVENUE – BROOKLINE

The Petitioner (Richard Castino) requests a variance from 248 CMR 10.15(7) to utilize an existing 1.5 inch waste pipe for use with a new wheelchair accessible shower. The Petitioner indicates that the existing pipe goes into 18 inches of solid concrete subflooring in this building causing access to the main drain to be almost impossible. The Brookline Board of Health was properly petitioned.

Meeting Notes: The applicant was not present at the meeting.

A motion was made to table by Mr. Harold Knight and seconded by Mr. Joseph Waskiewicz

Result: unanimous

PV47) THE RED HOUSE RESTAURANT – 98 WINTHROP STREET – CAMBRIDGE

The Petitioner (Keith Rhodes) seeks a post installation variance from 248 CMR 10.10(18) with regards to the number of fixtures required in a restaurant which is being divided in half to accommodate a separate business. The existing space is approximately 2700 square feet on two levels within a historic space. The new reduced restaurant will be 1,317 square feet on two floors. No seat or employee count was included in the application, though the Petitioner indicated that the occupancy was 44 persons. The Petitioner indicates that on the first floor, there will be a single, gender-neutral AAB/ADA compliant restroom and on the second floor, one gender neutral bathroom, a variance from the AAB is allowing this second floor bathroom to not be accessible. The Petitioner indicates that they would be required by the code to have a second bathroom on the first floor, which is the subject of this variance. The Petitioner indicates the installation of another bathroom would comprise the original historical finishes of the house and would reduce the restaurant space to below economic viability. The Cambridge Board of Health was properly petitioned.

Meeting Notes: There is 1280 sq. feet on 1st floor. The 44 occupants includes 5 employees. There is a 2nd floor bathroom that is not AAB/ADA compliant.

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

Result: Unanimous

PV48 - HINES INTERESTS, LP - 640 - 720 - ATLANTIC AVENUE – BOSTON

The Petitioner (James Ieradi) seeks two variances for a proposed private air rights development project above Boston South Station.

Variance #1: The Petitioner requests a waiver from 248 CMR 10.10(18) to allow the use of a hose bib connection in each core men's and women's bathroom on the office floors 1 through 34 in lieu of a mop sink in a janitor's closet.

Meeting Notes: The majority of the space is carpeted. The only hardship presented was that tile floors will be in break rooms and bathrooms. There are floor drains provided in bathrooms. The hose bib will be installed under the lavatory.

A motion was made to deny by Mr. Joseph Waskiewicz and seconded by Ms. Ruth Alfasso

Result: unanimous

Variance #2: The Petitioner requests a waiver from 248 CMR 10.10(18) to allow the installation of a filtered or bottled water system that is connected to the building water distribution system but not connected to the sanitary drainage system. Connections to the sanitary drainage system will be provided within the wall to facilitate a future connection. (Note: the Petitioner does not indicate what is not code compliant about this proposal).

Meeting Notes: By unanimous consent, the Board took no action, the proposed installation would be code compliant without requiring a variance.

PV49 - THE POSHTEL - 234 FRIEND STREET - BOSTON

The Petitioner (Robert Carasetti) seeks a variance from 248 CMR 10.10(18) to utilize the dormitory use group instead of the hotel use group for a business described as a luxury hostel transient lodging facility. On each of five floors, the petitioner would like to provide six bathroom groups, two of which are rooms with their own fixtures,

and four which would serve a total of five rooms which will each provide a shared sleeping environment for 22 persons. Boston Inspectional Services was properly petitioned.

Meeting Notes: The building is seven stories. There are 35 bathroom groups in the building. There are laundry facilities in the basement which is available to guests. All bathroom s are single user. The fixture count was based on CMR 248 10.10 Table 1, Dormitory minimum requirements.

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

Result: unanimous

BOARD CONSIDERED ANY MATTERS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY THE CHAIR:

None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN at 9:25 am by Mr. Joseph Waskiewicz and seconded by Mr. Harold Knight

LIST OF DOCUMENTS USED:

1. Meeting agenda
2. Minutes from prior meeting
3. Variance applications for above referenced agenda items

Respectfully Submitted for The Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gasfitters,

Frederick M. Lima
State Plumbing Investigator/Inspector

Respectfully Authorized by;

Joseph McNamee
Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gasfitters