Chair Dziurman called the Regular meeting of the Building Code Board of Appeals to order at 3:00 p.m. on September 5, 2012 in the Lower Level Conference Room of the Troy City Hall.

1. ROLL CALL

Members Present:
Theodore Dziurman, Chair
Gary Abitheira
Teresa Brooks
Michael Carolan
Mike Culpepper

Support Staff Present:
Mitch Grusnick, Building Official/Code Inspector
Kathy L. Czarnecki, Acting Recording Secretary

Also Present:
Attached and made a part hereof is the signature sheet of those present and signed in at this meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by: Carolan
Seconded by: Abitheira

***RESOLVED***, To approve the minutes of the June 20, 2012 Special meeting as submitted.

Yeas: All present (5)

**MOTION CARRIED**

Chair Dziurman announced the petitioner withdrew Agenda item 3.B. because a third sign was no longer needed.

3. HEARING OF CASES

A. **VARIANCE REQUEST, 44201 DEQUINDRE, JONES LANG LA SALLE AT BEAUMONT HEALTH SYSTEMS** – For relief of Section 716.5.5 of the 2009 Michigan Building Code to omit smoke dampers in ductwork penetrating smoke barriers throughout William Beaumont Hospital Troy campus.

Mr. Grusnick reported this Board approved this request in April 2005 as a variance to the 2003 Michigan Building Code. He indicated the request before the Board today is to continue the variance under the 2009 Michigan Building Code. Staff reviews of the Codes confirm there are no changes to the Code requirements for the smoke dampers and, more importantly, no code changes that would require

quick response sprinkler heads for the building use. Therefore, the use of quick response sprinkler heads remains a code equivalent option for the Board's consideration.

The applicant, Jake Meadows of Jones Lang LaSalle at Beaumont Health System, was present. Mr. Meadows summarized the documentation provided with the application and asked the Board's approval to use quick response sprinkler heads within the facility as an alternative to meet the 2009 Building Code requirement for smoke dampers.

Mr. Meadows addressed the Life Safety Code NFPA 101, 2006 edition, Section 19.3.7.4, which stipulates smoke dampers are not required and the 2009 Building Code in which smoke dampers are required. He read excerpts from Life Safety Code meeting minutes that support the use of quick response sprinkler heads. Mr. Meadows also addressed the costs associated with smoke dampers versus quick response sprinkler heads.

Assistant Fire Chief Roberts stated the Fire Department has no objections to the petitioner's request.

Plan Analyst Kessler addressed evaluations conducted on quick response sprinkler heads and the documented support for their use.

Moved by: Carolan
Seconded by: Abitheira

***RESOLVED***, To approve the variance based on the following:
1. The Fire Department has no objections; and
2. Approval was granted on the same variance request in 2005.

Yeas: All present (5)

**MOTION CARRIED**

B. **VARIANCE REQUEST, 1057-1155 E. LONG LAKE, GREG CARR OF UNIVERSAL SIGNS** – For relief of Chapter 85, Section 85.02.05(4) to install a third ground sign measuring 25 square feet in area.

Item withdrawn by petitioner.

4. COMMUNICATIONS

None.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

None.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Carolan
Seconded by: Brooks

***RESOLVED***, To adjourn meeting.

Yeas: All present (5)

**MOTION CARRIED**

The Regular meeting of the Board of Building Appeals adjourned at 3:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Theodore Dziurman, Chair

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Kathy L. Czarnecki, Recording Secretary

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*September 5, 2012*

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