

**BOARD OF CODE APPEALS  
REGULAR MEETING  
May 8, 2025**

**SUBJECT: The minutes of the Board of Code Appeals meeting of May 8, 2025.**

The meeting was called to order by Thaddeus Stanek at 6:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Laurel Johnson, Thaddeus Stanek, Thomas Szatkowski and Imad Potres Frank Bayer, Building Official

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Szatkowski, supported by Stanek, to approve the agenda.

Yes: All      Absent: None      Motion: Carried.

**CONSIDERATIONS**

**a. PG25-0027 Ford Sterling Axle Plant**

The petitioner is requesting a variance for Michigan Mechanical Code 2021, section 507.2.6 and 506.5.5 which requires 18" clearance from Type 1 hoods and related exhaust equipment.

The subject hoods and exhaust are installed in food trailers that have been installed inside the plant. During inspections, it was discovered the trailer roof deck contained fire-resistant treated plywood and the minimal clearances were non-compliant.

As an alternative, the applicant is providing additional protection including fire suppression inside the trailer connected to the building's suppression system, monitoring the hood suppression by the building's fire alarm. The building has its own fire brigade. Also, the building's suppression system has .60 density high hazard classification above the food trailer. As required by code, the trailers hood and duct system is suppressed and a K-class fire extinguisher is in the trailer.

**Property address : 39000 Mound Rd**

Motion by Stanek, supported by Szatkowski to approve the request for variance PG25-0027.

Yes: All      No: None      Absent: None  
Motion: Carried

**b. PG25-0028 Ford Van Dyke Plant**

The petitioner is requesting a variance for Michigan Mechanical Code 2021, section 507.2.6 and 506.5.5 which requires 18" clearance from Type 1 hoods and related exhaust equipment.

The subject hoods and exhaust are installed in food trailers that have been installed inside the plant. During inspections, it was discovered the trailer roof deck contained fire-resistant treated plywood and the minimal clearances were non-compliant.

As an alternative, the applicant is providing additional protection including fire suppression inside the trailer connected to the building's suppression system, monitoring the hood suppression by the building's fire alarm. The building has its own fire brigade. Also, the building's suppression system has .60 density high hazard classification above the food trailer. As required by code, the trailers hood and duct system is suppressed and a K-class fire extinguisher is in the trailer.

**Property address: 41111 Van Dyke Ave**

Motion by Szatkowski, supported by Stanek to approve the request for variance  
PG25-0028.

Yes: All    No: None    Absent: None  
Motion: Carried

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**PARTICIPATION**

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

February 13, 2025

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Stanek, supported by Szatkowski to adjourn.

Yes: All    Absent: None    Motion: carried

Meeting adjourned at 6:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurel Johnson  
Madam Chairman