

Devens Economic Analysis Team ("DEAT")

**Minutes of March 22, 2012 Meeting
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Fireplace Meeting Room, Old Library**

Orville Dodson, Secretary

Members Present: Duncan Chapman, Steve Finnegan, Paul Green and Orville Dodson.
Guests Present: Ron Ricci, Lucy Wallace, Joe Hutchinson.

In Victor Normand's absence, Steve Finnegan called the meeting to order at 7:27 pm.

The members read and approved the minutes of the meeting of February 23, 2012.

Knowing that he could not attend the meeting, Victor had earlier called Steve Finnegan and asked him to bring three points up to the meeting which Steven proceeded to do.

The first point was that we need two members of the DEAT to attend a mid-morning meeting with Dave Blaison, DPW Director at Devens, on April 4. Victor had arranged with Dave for this meeting. Its purpose is to go over the current Devens DPW, the tasks it performs and its annual budget. Another purpose is to discuss the blending of Harvard's DPW and Devens' and what a combined budget would look like. The meeting selected Steve Finnegan and Orville Dodson to be the DEAT members to attend the meeting.

The second point was Victor's reporting that he had contacted Harald Scheid, the current assessing agent at Devens, and that Victor plans to meet with Harald in early April to receive and receive new and more recent assessment numbers for Devens.

The third and last point was Victor's reminder to members that the Super Town Meeting to consider and vote upon law/bylaw/MOA changes for Vicksburg Square is next Wednesday (3/28) and that he would like all members to attend who can and to sit together in the auditorium.

The meeting next considered the DEAT's timeline for completing its annual report for Town Meeting and picked a goal of having the final report ready for presentation to the Board of Selectmen at their April 17 meeting. To that end, it was decided that our next two meetings will be on Thursday 4/5 and Thursday 4/12, both from 7pm – 9:30 pm. It was also decided to post a meeting for 3/28 6:30pm – 9:00pm in case we need to go into meeting during the Super Town Meeting. Finally, Paul mentioned that he will be sending Orville Dodson a copy of his spread-sheet of data on the three subsidized housing projects which he studied last summer and Orville will post this data on the town's website.

It was then moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn and it did so at 8:04pm.