

**HARVARD PLANNING BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 26, 2012
APPROVED: May 21, 2012**

Chair Kara McGuire Minar opened the meeting at 6:03pm in the Old Library under M.G.L. Chapter 40A and the Code of the Town of Harvard Chapter 125

Members Present: Kara McGuire Minar, Peter Brooks and Rich Marcello (Associate Member)

Others Present: Liz Allard (LUB Admin) and Joe Hutchinson

Discuss the proposed changes to the Devens Reuse Plan for Super Town Meeting on 3/28

McGuire Minar stated her concerns with the proposal, the redevelopment of Vicksburg Square, which is prompting the changes to the Devens Reuse Plan. Those concerns include:

- The proposal is out of step with State policy
- There are no support services to accommodate the low to moderate income individuals that will be living at Vicksburg Square
- The proposal would change the look of Devens
- 65% of Harvard's Affordable Housing would be at Devens

Marcello wants to know who is to say what is right in the way of development for Devens. Marcello added that the rezoning a few years ago at Devens had requirements that have not been met yet. Brooks believes this is putting the cart before the horse since there is no guarantee that Harvard will end up with the property.

The Planning Board has not seen any traffic studies; those studies would show how the increase of traffic would affect the roads in Harvard.

McGuire Minar has drafted a response and will add the statements made this evening and will read into the record at the Special Town Meeting on March 28, 2012.

Adjournment

Brooks made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30pm. Marcello seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously in favor of the motion

Signed: _____
Peter Brooks, Clerk (In Green's absence)