

**Devens Enterprise Commission (DEC)
Remote Regular Meeting
Minutes March 5, 2026**

Members: Melissa Fetterhoff, Christopher Lilly, William Marshall, Jim Pinard, Marty Poutry, Paul Routhier, Deborah Seeley
Members Absent: Duncan Chapman, Debra Rivera, Carl Sciple
Staff: Neil Angus, Beth Suedmeyer, Dawn Babcock
Guests: Jake Wagner (Veranova), Karmela Flynn (Veranova), Tony Roselli (Roselli, Clark & Associates), John Marc-Aurela (MassDevelopment Engineering), Isam Boukattaya (MassDevelopment Real Estate)

(7:40 AM) Chairman William Marshall called the meeting to order

Mr. Marshall read that the Devens Enterprise Commission (DEC) Meeting is being held virtually pursuant to the March 28, 2025, Act signed by the Governor extending the ability of state and local public meetings to be held in a hybrid or remote format through June 30, 2027. Interested individuals can listen in and participate by phone and/or on-line by following the link and phone # above. Persons with disabilities or requiring interpretation wishing to listen or participate should contact 978.772.8831 x3334. In accordance with the State's Open Meeting Law, we wish to inform all attendees that this meeting will be recorded by the Devens Enterprise Commission.

(7:43 AM) Chairman Marshall did the roll call for the meeting

(7:44 AM) Mr. Marshall reviewed the agenda of this evening's meeting.

Review Minutes:

- **(7:48 AM) February 24th Draft Minutes:** Mr. Marshall asked if there were any questions about the February 24th minutes but none were asked. Mr. Marshall then asked for a motion to approve the February 24th minutes submitted. **The motion to approve the February 24th minutes was made by Mr. Routhier and seconded by Mr. Pinard. The motion to accept the minutes as submitted was unanimously approved by a roll call vote. Ms. Seeley abstained as she was not present at the February 24th Meeting.**

Public Hearing

- **(7:49 AM) Level 2 Unified Permit for Veranova, LP for an amendment to their existing License for the Storage of Flammables, Combustibles, and Explosives in accordance with 974 CMR 4.09(6). Property located at 25 Patton Road (Parcel ID #009.0-0004-0500.0) in the Innovation and Technology Business Zone.** Mr. Marshall read the public notice that was posted in the newspapers and then handed to meeting over to Ms. Suedmeyer who introduced Jake Wagner of Veranova and Karmela Flynn of Veranova. Mr. Wagner noted that with Veranova expanding their operations at 25 Patton Road, which will require them to amend their Flammables, Combustibles and Explosives Certificate. Mr. Wagner noted that they are looking to increase their class 1 B amount as well as add the Class 2 or 3 A to their License. Mr. Wagner noted that there will be minimal exterior work which will include a pad for a transformer which will be needed for the increase of power to perform the increased work that will be taking place on site. The interior work will be primarily fit up within the existing space to house the increased materials. Ms. Suedmeyer then went over the staff report and noted the nine recommended conditions. Ms. Suedmeyer also stated that she has been working with the Fire Department and noted that they have no concerns with this request for the amendment. Ms. Suedmeyer noted that they will need to submit tank permit applications to Devens Fire Department and DEC Building permits for the minor site modifications to the facility to ensure the proper storage of the increased quantities, and she also noted that the plan is in compliance with the Viewshed Overlay District. Mr. Marshall then asked both the Commissioners and then the public if there were any

questions and none were asked. Mr. Marshall then asked for a motion to close the Hearing. **The motion was made by Mr. Routhier and seconded by Mr. Lilly. The motion to close the hearing was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.** Ms. Suedmeyer then went over the Draft Record of Decision and noted that there were no waivers requested and that the Findings for this application are the seven standard findings. She also noted that there are nine conditions noted in the ROD. Mr. Marshall asked if there were any questions none were asked. Mr. Marshall then asked for a motion to approve this Unified Permit for an amendment to the existing license for storage of flammables, combustibles, and explosives. **The motion was made by Mr. Poutry and seconded by Mr. Routhier. The motion to approve the unified permit was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.**

New Business:

- **(8:01 AM) Ratification of Directors Decision to issue a Negative Wetland Request for Determination of Applicability for proposed public infrastructure stormwater management system improvements by MassDevelopment within 100 feet of Willow Brook. Property located at Adams Circle (parcels A – 26-10-100, B – 26-10-109 and C 26-10-110), Devens, MA in the Residential II District.** Mr. Angus noted that [MassDev EVP Harvard Press.docx](#) due to the new buildings on Adams Circle recently approved, this application is to update the stormwater management system for Adams Circle. MassDevelopment is looking to install a constructed stormwater wetland adjacent to Willow Brook, as well a rain garden, bio-swale, new catch basins, utilities, curbing, and re-surfacing of Adams Circle. Mr. Angus asked Mr. John Marc-Aurele of MassDevelopment Engineering if there were any additional information on this project that he would like to share. Mr. Marc-Aurele noted that this project was deferred from the original eight house net-zero energy pilot project and they are now working with their consultant to mitigate runoff from the remainder of Adams Circle. Mr. Angus then shared the staff report noting that they are planning to install a large detention pond, replacing the existing catch basin, and including drainage swales to cover the existing buildings as well as the new buildings. Mr. Angus noted that with the depth of the containment pond MassDevelopment will be installing a fence around the area. Mr. Angus also noted that once this project is complete Devens DPW will maintain the area going forward. There are seven conditions noted. One being the establishment of a 3-year plan to monitor and manage the invasive species. Mr. Angus noted that if the Commission was in agreement, he will need the commissioners to ratify decision for the negative Wetlands Request for Determination of Applicability. Mr. Marshall asked if there were any questions and none were asked. Mr. Marshall then asked for a motion to approve the ratified decision. **The motion was made by Ms. Seeley and seconded by Mr. Routhier. The motion to approve the ratified decision was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.**
- **(8:11 AM) FY2025 Audit Report – Roselli, Clark & Associates:** Mr. Angus introduced Mr. Tony Roselli from Roselli, Clark & Associates. Mr. Roselli noted that the Commission is doing very well financially. Mr. Roselli also noted the cash balance and the invested income. Mr. Roselli did note that there were a couple of minor adjustments that were found during the audit and were handled during the audit. Mr. Marshall asked the commissioners if there were any questions and none were asked. Mr. Marshall asked for a motion to approve the FY 2025 Audit. **The motion to approve the audit was made by Ms. Seeley and Seconded by Mr. Pinard. The motion to approve the FY2025 Audit was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.**

Old Business:

- **None**

Public Comment:

- **(8:16 AM)** Mr. Marshall asked if there were any questions from the Public and none were noted.

(8:17 AM) Mr. Marshall noted the next scheduled meetings are **March 31st at 6:45 PM (Hybrid Meeting)**, and **April 9th at 7:30 AM, (Zoom Meeting)**.

Mr. Angus shared the information of the Devens Business Breakfast that is being hosted by MassDevelopment, Nashoba Chamber and Devens Enterprise Commission on March 17th at the Devens Conference Center. It is believed that MassDevelopment will be announcing their new Devens EVP and Real Estate EVP. Mr. Angus extended an invitation to the Commissioners if they are available to attend.

(8:20 AM) Mr. Marshall asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Mr. Pinard and seconded by Mr. Routhier. The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

List of Exhibits

- Agenda
- February 24 Draft Meeting Minutes
- Public Hearing – 25 Patton Road
 - Application
 - Public Notice
 - Determination of Completeness
 - Draft ROD
 - Staff Report
- New Business
 - Adams Circle RDA
 - Adams Circle RDA – Application
 - Adams Circle RDA – Roadway Plans
 - Adams Circle RDA – Reconstruction and Infrastructure
 - Adams Circle RDA – Staff Report
 - FY2025 Audit
 - FY2025 Audit Report – Financials
 - FY2025 Audit Report – Governance Report