Devens Enterprise Commission (DEC)
In-Person/Remote Hybrid Public Hearing and Regular Meeting
Minutes February 24, 2026

Members (in person): Debra Rivera
Members (remote): Melissa Fetterhoff, Christopher Lilly, William Marshall, James Pinard, Martin Poutry, Paul Routhier, Carl Sciple
Members Absent: Duncan Chapman, Robert Gardner, Debroah Seeley
Staff (in person): Beth Suedmeyer, Dawn Babcock
Staff (remote): Neil Angus
Guests (remote): James Lampke (DEC Legal), Angelo Liquor (Deven Recycling)

(6:47 PM) Chairman William Marshall called the meeting to order.

Mr. Marshall read that the Devens Enterprise Commission (DEC) Meeting is being held in-person and 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.

(6:49 PM) Chairman Marshall did the roll call for the meeting.

(6:51 PM) Chairman Marshall noted, we will need to nominate Ms. Rivera as a voting Regional Representative for this meeting. **The motion was made by Mr. Poutry and seconded by Mr. Sciple. The nomination was approved unanimously by a roll call vote.**

(6:52 PM) Chairman Marshall reviewed the agenda of this evening's meeting.

(6:54 PM) Review Minutes:

- **February 5th Draft Minutes** were discussed. Mr. Marshall noted that Mr. Lilly was listed as attending as well as absent Ms. Babcock noted that she would correct that as Mr. Lilly was in fact absent from the February 5th meeting. Mr. Marshall then asked if there were any other comments about the minutes. None were mentioned so Mr. Marshall then asked for a motion to accept the minutes with the attendance update made. **The motion was made by Mr. Routhier and seconded by Mr. Pinard. The minutes were approved by a roll call vote. Mr. Lilly and Mr. Sciple abstained from voting as if they weren't at the February 5th meeting.**

Old Business:

- **(6:55 PM) Continued deliberations on Devens Recycling Center, LLC, request for Minor Modification of previously approved Site Assignment and Modification of Unified Permit to extend operating hours. Property located at 45 Independence Drive, Devens, MA, in the Rail, Industrial and Trade-Related Uses District.** Mr. Angus reported progress on draft decision and specifically the required findings and the conditions for the Devens Recycling Center LLC, which were developed in collaboration with legal, environmental consultants, peer review traffic engineers, and the applicant's technical advisors. The draft decision was circulated in advance and minor edits were suggested by legal counsel, though these did not change the substance of the conditions or findings. Applicant Mr. Liquori confirmed no additional comments or questions from the Applicant's side. Mr. Marshall then asked if there were any questions from the commissioners, staff, and public, but none were asked. Mr. Angus then reminded the commissioners that along with this being a Minor Amendment to the Site Assignment, it is also an Amendment to the Unified Permit and the conditions and findings noted for the Site Assignment meet the criteria for the unified permit as well. Mr. Angus then noted that the document shared has a section for term definitions Mr. Angus also noted that the applicant has the right to appeal the decision once we have approved it. Mr. Angus also mentioned that Commissioner Fetterhoff had signed a Mullin Rule Affidavit for the minor portion of the public hearing that she missed on January 6, 2026. Mr. Marshall then asked one last time if there were any questions and again none were asked. Mr. Marshall then read the motion prepared by DEC legal counsel:

> Motion to approve the decision for the modifications of the Site Assignment and Unified Permit as presented by staff, and authorize the Director to sign same on behalf of the Devens Enterprise Commission, with the further authorization for staff to make any necessary technical edits that do not change the substance of the decision, and with the addition of the customary language for the payment of any expenses, fees or charges due from the Applicant.

The motion was made by Mr. Routhier and seconded by Mr. Pinard. The motion to approve the Minor Modification to the Site Assignment and Modification to the Unified Permit was approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Public Hearing:

- **None.**

New Business:

- **(7:07 PM) FY2025 Audit Report – Roselli, Clark & Associates:** Mr. Angus noted that Mr. Roselli hadn't joined the meeting yet so he noted that the audit was completed back in November but fell off the radar of both ours and the auditors. So, the final report was finalized last week, and Mr. Angus noted that they had no substantial findings to report and it was a clean audit and the DEC is in very good financial position with proper accounting and bookkeeping practices. Neil thanked our accountant, bookkeeper, and Ms. Babcock for their diligent efforts. There were a few minor findings that were addressed during the audit. Mr. Angus stated that he would reach out to Mr. Roselli to see if he can join the meeting on March 5th to report out.

- **(7:11 PM) Read File:** Mr. Angus went over the one article in the news about the closing of American Eagle/Quiet Logistics on Devens at 64 Jackson. This will result in the loss of over 100 jobs, however its other industries are still growing in Devens to diversify the employment base.

Public Comment:

- **(7:14 PM)** Mr. Marshall asked if there were any questions/comments from the Public, None were noted.

(7:15 PM) Mr. Marshall noted the next scheduled meetings are March 5th at 7:30 AM, (Zoom Meeting) and March 31st at 6:45 PM, (Hybrid Meeting).

(7:16 PM) Mr. Marshall asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Mr. Pinard and seconded by Mr. Lilly. The motion to adjourn was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

<u>**List of Exhibits**</u>

- Agenda
- February 5th Draft Minutes
- New Business
  - Site Assignment Document
  - Read File