

TOWN OF HARVARD
HARVARD-DEVENS JURISDICTION COMMITTEE

April 4, 2019 - 9:00 to 10:00 AM
Volunteer Meeting Room, Upper Level
Harvard Town Hall
13 Ayer Road, Harvard, MA 01451

Victor Normand, Chairperson
Heather Knowles, Vice Chairperson
Paul Green, Clerk

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approve Minutes of March 7, 2019
3. Department Heads and Committee Chair Feedback Updates
4. Town Updates
5. MassDevelopment Updates
6. Review Section 23 of Chapter 498
7. Devens Resident Outreach
8. Devens Budget Review
9. Town Meeting Report
10. Review Task Assignments
11. Adjourn

**SECTION 23 OF
CHAPTER 498 OF THE ACTS OF 1993,
AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 224 OF THE ACTS OF 1994**

SECTION 23. *On or before July first, two thousand and thirty, the commission, the boards of selectmen of the towns, with the advice of the planning boards, and the bank shall initiate a study, hereinafter called the study, concerning permanent government structure for the ongoing operation and administration of Devens. The study shall evaluate alternative structures for government, ownership and operation of open space, recreation, and other lands and facilities, infrastructure, easements, equipment and records, with such alternative structures including, but not limited to, town government and joint entities or combinations thereof, or the bank and the commission, and shall identify transition costs and further investments needed. During the preparation of the study, public participation shall be encouraged and public hearings held. On or before July 1, 2033, the Commission, the boards of selectmen of the Towns, and the Bank shall submit the study and a joint report to the Governor,*

the Secretary and to the Clerk of the House and the Clerk of the Senate recommending a permanent government structure for the ongoing operation and administration of Devens. Such report shall also identify any surplus funds that have been generated during the development of Devens, after considering the costs of funding appropriate reserve accounts, costs of retiring all bonds, notes and other debt instruments issued to maintain and develop Devens, and all the Commission's and Bank's unreimbursed costs related in any way to the redevelopment of Fort Devens, including, without limitation, all costs incurred in the operation, maintenance and development of Devens, and recommend how any such surplus funds and any future surplus funds shall be distributed, which recommendation shall include distributing all or a portion of such surplus to the Towns.