

Town of Concord 2229 Main Street Committee (2229 Committee) Meeting Minutes for October 1, 2019.

Present at the meeting: Board of Selectmen Representative Linda Escobedo, 2229 Committee Chair Pam Rockwell, Deborah Farnsworth, Leonard V. Rappoli, and Reuse Committee visitor Gary Kleiman.

Member Ray Bruttomesso is on duty with the Reserves, and we appreciate his contributions.

2229 Committee members engaged in a lively and lengthy debate about a proposed letter to be written to the Concord Journal. The contents of the letter would likely focus on the accomplishments that have been made at 2229 Main Street (the Site) including the removal of contaminated buildings and machinery, the fact that the Site is slated to be cleaned up to residential standards, and the ongoing treatment of groundwater for volatile organic compounds and 1,4-dioxane to prevent the migration of these compounds to the Acton water supply wells.

The letter should be published in the Journal prior to the next Reuse Committee meeting and should convey the idea that the 2229 Committee has been involved in an advisory capacity to the Town of Concord and its citizens since the Site was placed on the National Priorities list in 2001. Residential standards should be stressed and what this means for the future use of the Site. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has liability if future contamination is discovered even if the Town of Concord owns the land, but EPA has been responsive to cleanup in the past as when 1,4-dioxane was discovered after the fact.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Leonard V. Rappoli