



SOUTHEAST REGIONAL HOMELAND SECURITY ADVISORY COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

SRPEDD – 88 BROADWAY – TAUNTON, MA
APRIL 2, 2020 11:00AM MEETING MINUTES

Members Present

Chief Mary Lyons, Mattapoisett PD
Chief Tim Francis, Fairhaven FD
Chief Brian Clark, Norton PD
Robert Kenn, E. Bridgewater DPW
Chief David Guillemette, Harwich PD
Chief Thomas Lynch, Franklin PD
Richard Brown, Somerset TA
Stacey Lane, Norwood Public Health
Chief Lance Benjamin, Middleboro FD
David Faunce, Region V EMS
Rick Ferreira, TEMA

Guests Present

Patricia McGurt, OGR
Kerry Clifton, EOPSS

Support Staff Present

Todd Castro, SRPEDD
Jed Cornock, SRPEDD
Kevin Ham, SRPEDD
Vicky Mboka-Boyer, EOPSS
Amy Reilly, MAPC

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1. **Welcome:** Chief Lyons called the Zoom/Conference Call meeting to order at 11:00 AM.
 2. **Public Comment:** None
 3. **Acceptance of draft meeting minutes from March 5, 2020:** The March 5, 2020 meeting minutes were approved. - Voted unanimously in favor.

Fiduciary Report: Mr. Ham referred the Council to the at-a-glance FY17, FY18 and FY19 budget and indicated roughly \$100,000 remains in unallocated funding within FFY-17. Chief Lyons inquired about the possibility of an extension to FFY-17 due to the Covid19 pandemic. Ms. Reilly indicated there has been some discussion on this matter. However, at this time, the federal government has not granted an extension to the FFY-17 funding. Mr. Ham recommended to the council the options of possibly purchasing the following items; message boards, light towers, vehicle barricades, replacement gas masks and/or rolling ballistic shields for the LECs. Mr. Ham noted the NECNA conference has been cancelled. The NYTOA conference along with the two New York City fire services conferences have been postponed to an undetermined date. Ms. Reilly suggested to the council that they purchase equipment that can be readily procured and delivered in a timely manner in the event that an FFY-17 extension is not granted. Chief Lyons agreed with Ms. Reilly's suggestion. Mr. Ham mentioned that FFY-17 will expire on May 31, 2020, FFY-18 expires on July 31, 2020 and FFY-19 will expire on July 31, 2021.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the fiduciary report. Voted unanimously in favor.



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A motion was made and seconded to approve the procurement of the following items using the remaining unallocated FFY-17 funding; two hundred replacement gas mask filters, ballistic blankets, one message board, two light towers along with the remainder of the previously approved Fire Services project for ropes and equipment. Voted unanimously in favor.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the SRAC, FFY-2020 Homeland Security Plan. Voted unanimously in favor.

MAPC Report: Ms. Reilly indicated MAPC staff are working remotely from home. MAPC finance employees are periodically entering the office to process documentation.

4. **EOPSS Report:** Ms. Mboka-Boyer thanked the council for their timely submission of the FFY-2020 Plan and indicated that the next SIEC meeting will occur on May 6, 2020.

5. **Committee/Working Group Updates:**

- a. **MCSMS Committee:** Mr. Ferreira indicated that a lot of lessons regarding shelter operations are being learned from the Covid19 response.
- b. **Training & Exercise / Planning Report:** Mr. Brown mentioned the Mass Cyber Security Center is working on a number of seminars that will be offered statewide in the future.
- c. **Planning Report:** No report.
- d. **Fire Services:** No Report.
- e. **Caching:** No Report. Mr. Kenn thanked Mr. Castro and Mr. Ham for their hard work with regard to writing the FFY-2020 Plan.



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f. **Interoperability:** Chief Clark inquired about the status of an engineer for the Copicut Hill project. Ms. Reilly indicated that a new vendor has been selected – Ross & Baruzzini. Communication can now commence to contact them to establish a meet and greet meeting.

g. **LEC:** No report.

6. **Liaison Report:**

a. **MEMA:** No report.

7. **Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair 48 hours in advance of the meeting:** None.

8. **Executive Session:** None

9. **Future meeting dates:** The next Council meeting will occur on May 7, 2020 at 11 AM.

10. **Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 11:35 AM.