



NORTHEAST HOMELAND SECURITY REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Training and Exercise Committee Meeting

Minutes

May 13th, 2021

12:00pm

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Meeting ID: 934 9494 4845

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Call-In: 301 715 8592

Call to Order

- Chief Jason Gilliland, Chair called the May 13th, 2021 meeting of the NERAC Training and Exercise Committee to order at 12:00pm. He asked for approval of minutes from the April 8th, 2021 meeting.

MOTION put forth by Chief B. Moriarty.

- Approve the April 8th, 2021 meeting minutes.
 - Seconded by Chief J. Fisher.
 - In Favor: J. Costanzo, Chief J. Fisher, Chief T. Judge, Chief B. Moriarty, M. Foster.
 - Opposed: None.
 - Abstain: None.
 - The motion passed.

Budget Update

- All Committee members were provided with a copy of the most recent budget update.
- There is currently \$2,615.85 in FFY19 unallocated funds. Any new projects would need to be funded with funds coming from existing projects.

Project Name	Funding Year	Allocated Amount	Encumbered Amount	Invoiced Amount
Northwest Regional AAIR Training (Pepperell, Groton, Ashby, Dunstable, Townsend)	FFY2019	\$13,700.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Regional Stop-the-Bleed Training (West Newbury/Merrimac/Groveland)	FFY2019	\$28,351.92	\$4,780.60	\$4,780.60
Active Shooter Training Equipment Trailer	FFY2019	\$5,500.00	\$4,295.00	\$4,295.00
Basic Disaster Life Support (BDLS) Course	FFY2019	\$14,825.00	\$14,825.00	\$0.00
Topsfield School Evacuation Full-Scale Exercise	FFY2019	\$27,050.00	\$27,050.00	\$0.00
Active Shooter Training	FFY2020	\$30,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Advanced Disaster Life Support Training	FFY2020	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Burlington Mall Full Scale Exercise	FFY2020	\$80,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ICS-300/400	FFY2020	\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Rescue Task Force Training	FFY2020	\$95,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Salem Haunted Happenings TTX	FFY2020	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

Remaining unallocated funds:

- FFY19 General Trainings and Exercises: \$2,615.85
- FFY19 Technical Rescue Drills: \$10,545.13
- FFY20 General Trainings and Exercises: \$0.00
- FFY20 Technical Rescue Drills: \$90,000.00

Current Grant End Dates:

- FFY19: December 31st, 2021
- FFY20: July 31st, 2022

Project Updates

Burlington Mall Full-Scale Exercise

- The evaluation criteria and scope of services have been approved by Lt. Mills and Lt. McDonough of the Burlington Police Department.
- MAPC will conduct the procurement, which will be a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the consultant in the coming weeks.
- The consultant proposals will be reviewed by the Evaluation Team, which will consist of MAPC staff and members of the Exercise Planning Team.

Salem Haunted Happenings Tabletop Exercise

- MAPC has been working with Chief King of the Salem Police Department to determine the scenario for this exercise which will be a home-grown violent extremist attack.
- An RFQ will be drafted in the coming weeks to hire a consultant to conduct this exercise.

Active Shooter Training Supplies – Merrimac PD

- The trailer to hold the active shooter training kits has been delivered and payment is being processed to the vendor.
- MAPC is currently working on obtaining EOPSS approval to purchase tents, tables, and tie-down straps for the equipment trailer.
- The RFQ for these items is drafted and will be released once the approvals are obtained.

Domestic Water Supply Training

- M. Foster has been working with the Salem and Beverly Water Supply Board to develop a domestic water supply training.
- M. Foster presented the training to the Committee.
- Each member of the Committee received in their meeting packets a copy of the Salem and Beverly Water Supply Board History.
 - The Salem and Beverly Water Supply Board has three very large water supply watersheds in Beverly, Wenham, Danvers, and Topsfield. There are several critical points where a spill could have devastating consequences from both the spill (chemical or fuel) and/or response (as some firefighting foams have PFAS a chemical carcinogen) in it. One of the primary water supplies also has a significant earthen dam that under the right circumstance could breach with significant flooding.

- During a recent review of their emergency procedures, it was suggested that a tabletop exercise in the fall would be beneficial.

MOTION put forth by Chief B. Moriarty.

- Funding this training will be priority for inclusion in the FFY22 budget or if funds become available in FFY19, FFY20, or FFY21 funding.
- Seconded by Chief R. Picariello.
 - In Favor: J. Costanzo, Chief J. Fisher, Chief T. Judge, Chief B. Moriarty, M. Foster.
 - Opposed: None.
 - Abstain: None.
 - The motion passed.

State of Massachusetts Animal Response Team (SMART) Large Animal Rescue Training

- MAPC was contacted by David Schwartz of the State of MA Animal Response Team about the possibility of bringing this training to the region.
- Every Committee Member received a copy of the training overview in their meeting packets.
 - This course is designed to give rescue personnel a basic knowledge of horse and large animal rescue techniques.
- The Western Region is funding this training later this year.
- It is a one-day training for First Responders, including police, fire, EMS, ACOs, and DARTs.
- The cost is \$1,000.00 plus meal costs. The training can accommodate 40 students per class.

MOTION put forth by Chief B. Moriarty.

- Fund \$1,500 to deliver this training, including food costs, using unallocated FFY19 General Training and Exercise funds.
- Seconded by Chief J. Gilliland.
 - In Favor: J. Costanzo, Chief J. Fisher, Chief T. Judge, Chief B. Moriarty, M. Foster, Chief B. Picariello.
 - Opposed: None.
 - Abstain: None.
 - The motion passed.

Northeast Massachusetts Technical Rescue Team

- I. McGregor was in attendance to present the following NEMTRT documents:
 - After-Action Report: March 2021 Trench Rescue Drill
 - Exercise Review Request: July 2021 Rope Rescue Drill
 - Exercise Review Request: August 2021 Structural Collapse Drill

MOTION put forth by Chief B. Moriarty.

- Approve the After-Action Report for the March 2021 Trench Rescue Drill, the Exercise Review Request for the July 2021 Rope Rescue Drill, and the Exercise Review Request for the August 2021 Structural Collapse Drill.
- Seconded by Chief J. Fisher.
 - In Favor: J. Costanzo, Chief J. Fisher, Chief T. Judge, Chief B. Moriarty, M. Foster, Chief B. Picariello.

- Opposed: None.
- Abstain: None.
- The motion passed.

New Business Unforeseen by the Chair

- Next meeting: June 10th, 2021 @ 12:00pm via Zoom.

ATTENDEES- COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chief Jason Gilliland, Chair: Marblehead Fire Department*

Chief J. Fisher: Carlisle Police Department*

Joe Costanzo, Vice-Chair: Administrator, Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority*

Chief Brian Moriarty: Lawrence Fire Department *

Chief Thomas Judge: Concord Fire Department*

Chief Robert Picariello: Marblehead Police Department*

Mark Foster: Director, Beverly Emergency Management*

ABSENT – COMMITTEE MEMBERS

John Sanchez: Burlington Public Works*

Bill Klag: Emergency Medical Services Coordinator & Emergency Preparedness Coordinator,
North Shore Medical Center *

Jon Brickett: Executive Director, Northeast EMS*

ATTENDEES-OTHER

Caroline Graham: MAPC

Lauren Sacks: MAPC

Amy Reilly: MAPC

Vicky Mboka-Boyer: EOPSS

The following documents were used/referenced during the meeting:

- April 8th, 2021 meeting minutes
- Budget Update
- Salem and Beverly Water Supply Board History
- SMART Large Animal Rescue Training Overview
- After-Action Report: March 2021 Trench Rescue Drill
- Exercise Review Request: July 2021 Rope Rescue Drill
- Exercise Review Request: August 2021 Structural Collapse Drill