



NORTHEAST HOMELAND SECURITY REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Training and Exercise Committee Meeting

Minutes

September 8, 2022

12:00pm

*Wilmington Police/Fire Department
1 Adelaide Street, Wilmington, MA 01887*

Call to Order

- Chair Chief J. Gilliland called the meeting to order at 12:06pm.

Approval of Minutes from the August 11, 2022 Meeting

MOTION put forth by Chief B. Moriarty.

- Approve the August 11, 2022 Meeting Minutes.
- Seconded by Chief N. Hovey.
 - In Favor: All.
 - Opposed: None.
 - Abstain: None.
- The motion passed.

Project Updates

- *Regional Stop-the-Bleed Training*
 - Merrimac PD has projected 8 more classes starting this fall with two instructors per class. We will have more information when these classes have been scheduled.
- *Topsfield School Evacuation Full Scale Exercise*
 - The AAR has been approved by EOPSS.
- *Domestic Water Supply TTX*
 - The AAR has been submitted to EOPSS and we are awaiting approval.
- *Active Shooter (ASHER) Trainings*
 - EOPSS guidance indicates that Active Shooter/Hostile Event Response (ASHER) Trainings should be a priority area of HLS programs/funding, and related projects and trainings should be pursued.
 - NERAC stakeholders have also expressed interest in additional active shooter trainings.
 - There will be an estimated \$70,000 unallocated in FFY20 T&E once projects reimbursements are fully processed.
 - One option would be an AAIR training through Merrimac PD, since NERAC has invested in the program and training equipment cache. The estimated cost of the two-day course for 42 students is \$31,680.
 - Committee members indicated that statewide meetings are occurring to work on lesson plans, that the State has committed to funding support as well, and that more information is expected to be known soon.

- The new unfunded mandates related to Nero’s Law were discussed, which would require all EMTs to be trained on basic life support, ambulance transport, and other protocols for injured Police K9s.

MOTION put forth by J. Brickett.

- Allocate a total of \$20,000 from FFY20 T&E unallocated for Nero’s Law Training projects.
 - \$10,000 for a Nero’s Law training equipment cache (which may include K9 tourniquets, muzzles, oxygen devices, CPR mannequins, etc.).
 - \$10,000 for BF/OT reimbursement support for K9 handlers only.
- Seconded by Chief. B. Moriarty.
 - In Favor: All.
 - Opposed: None.
 - Abstain: None.
- The motion passed.

MOTION put forth by Chief J. Fisher.

- Allocate all remaining FFY20 funding to A.01 Active Shooter Training.
- Seconded by Chief. N. Hovey.
 - In Favor: All
 - Opposed: None.
 - Abstain: None.
- The motion passed.

Budget Updates

- Committee members were provided with copies of the FFY19, FFY20, and FFY21 budgets in the meeting packet.
 - FFY19 Grant End Date: Dec 31, 2022
 - T&E funding is in good shape for closeout.
 - FFY20 Grant End Date: June 30, 2023
 - There will be an estimated \$70,000 unallocated once project reimbursements are fully processed.
 - FFY21 Grant End Date: July 31, 2023

Technical Rescue Teams

- *Fire District-14 Technical Rescue Team*
 - No updates.
- *Northeast Massachusetts Technical Rescue Team*
 - I. McGregor was in attendance to present the following:
 - AAR July 2022 Rope Rescue Drill
 - ERR November 2022 Trench Rescue Drill
 - (ERR December 2022 Confined Space Drill was on the agenda but not submitted.)

MOTION put forth by Chief J. Fisher.

- Allocate all remaining FFY20 funding to A.01 Active Shooter Training.
- Seconded by Chief. B. Moriarty.
 - In Favor: All
 - Opposed: None.
 - Abstain: None.
- The motion passed.

New Business Unforeseen by the Chair

- B. Podsiadlo of EOPSS indicated that other Councils have also discussed Nero’s Law projects, and FEMA is reviewing allowability.

MOTION put forth by Chief B. Moriarty.

- Adjourn the meeting.
- Seconded by Chief N. Novey.
 - In Favor: All
 - Opposed: None.
 - Abstain: None.
- The motion passed.

**** Next Meeting: October 13, 2022****

ATTENDEES – COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chief Jason Gilliland, Chair: Marblehead Fire Department*

Jon Brickett: Northeast EMS*

Mark Foster: Beverly Emergency Management*

Chief John Fisher: Carlisle Police Department*

Chief Thomas Judge: Concord Fire Department*

Chief Brian Moriarty: Lawrence Fire Department *

Chief Neal Hovey: Topsfield Police Department*

ABSENT – COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Bill Klag: Emergency North Shore Medical Center*

Chief John LeLacheur: Beverly Police Department*

ATTENDEES – OTHER

Ben Podsiadlo: EOPSS

Michael Collins: Beverly Department of Public Services

Chief Jennifer Collins-Brown: Topsfield Fire Department

Iain McGregor: NEMTRT

Lauren Sacks: MAPC

The following documents were used/referenced during the meeting:

- September 9, 2022 Agenda
- August 11, 2022 Meeting Minutes
- September 2022 Budget Updates
- AAR July 2022 Rope Rescue Drill
- ERR November 2022 Trench Rescue Drill