



NORTHEAST HOMELAND SECURITY REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Training and Exercise Committee Meeting

Minutes

December 8, 2022

12:00pm

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

Call to Order

- Chair Chief J. Gilliland called the meeting order at 12:20pm.

Approval of Minutes from the November 10, 2022 Meeting

MOTION put forth by Chief T. Judge.

- Approve the November 10, 2022 Meeting Minutes, with the noted correction: Capt. Rick Nelson presented the AAR/ERRs on behalf of NEMTRT.
- Seconded by Chief B. Moriarty.
 - 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. The FFY22 budget excel document is being finalized.
 - FFY19 - Grant End Date: Dec 31, 2022
 - FFY20 - Grant End Date: June 30, 2023
 - FFY21 - Grant End Date: July 31, 2023
 - FFY22 - Grant End Date: July 31, 2024
 - Total of \$225,560 for T&E (Tech Rescue, Incident Command, and Active Shooter Trainings).

Project Updates

- *Regional Stop-the-Bleed Training*
 - Trainings will be scheduled into the new year. Sgt. Holcroft will be sending a report for the January Committee meeting of how many training courses occurred, locations, and the remaining upcoming classes. The project will conclude by March 31st, 2023.
- *Nero's Law Trainings*
 - The PJ has been approved by EOPSS. We are waiting to receive further details from J. Brickett before conducting a joint procurement with the other regions.
- *Active Shooter (ASHER) Trainings and Exercises*
 - Three active shooter projects were approved at last month's meeting:
 - Acton/Littleton/Groton
 - Hudson/Maynard/Stow
 - AAIR Course
 - Project leads are discussing potential collaboration opportunities to make the most of the available funding, and a meeting will be held on December 12th to continue this



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discussion with fire/police leadership from all involved communities and Sgt. Holcroft to represent AAIR.

- Project leads expressed concerns regarding the \$35/hr BF/OT cap and asked if they could be allowed to spend the amount allocated at their discretion in the way that would be most advantageous to their departments.
- The Committee discussed the cap, and the official policy remains in place at this time.

Technical Rescue Teams

- *Fire District-14 Technical Rescue Team*
 - Lt. T Rinoldo presented the following:
 - AAR November 2022 Rapid Needs Assessment Drill
 - The Committee discussed GIS and GPS systems, and the need for a wider conversation regarding NERAC buying into a single system.
 - ERR February 2023 Ski Lift Rescue Operations Drill

MOTION put forth by Chief J. LeLacheur.

- Approve the FD-14 AAR and ERR as presented.
- Seconded by M. Foster.
 - In Favor: All.
 - Opposed: None.
 - Abstain: None.
- The motion passed.

- *Northeast Massachusetts Technical Rescue Team*
 - I. McGregor presented the following:
 - ERR February 2023 Structural Shoring Drill
 - ERR March 2023 Confined Space Drill
 - ERR April 2023 Trench Rescue Drill
 - I. McGregor stated that the State Tech Rescue Council is starting a planning team to run a statewide Tech Rescue Mobex in Fall of 2023 or Spring of 2024. Virtual planning meetings for concepts and objectives will be held in December and January, and with further information and links on the DFS website.

MOTION put forth by Chief J. Fisher.

- Approve the NEMTRT ERRs as presented.
- Seconded by T. Judge.
 - In Favor: All.
 - Opposed: None.
 - Abstain: None.
- The motion passed.

New Business Unforeseen by the Chair

- AARs have indicated that PIO trainings were needed, and J. McLoughlin provided updates on upcoming PIO courses and related offerings being held in March through September 2023.
- Chief N. Hovey provided the update that MPTC has hired a statewide coordinator for ASHER trainings, who is coordinating with Chief Shears and Sgt. Holcroft of Merrimac PD.
- ECFCA has received a \$1.4million grant to conduct a feasibility study for a regional fire training academy separate from DFS.



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- V. Mboka-Boyer instructed that EOPSS is requiring Technical Rescue Teams to include briefings on radio communications in AARs, and communications elements should be included in Tech Rescue drills.

MOTION put forth by Chief N. Hovey.

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

****Next Meeting: January 12, 2023****

**The January meeting will be held at the MPTC Lynnfield Police Academy
425 Walnut St, Lynnfield, MA 01940 - Room 207**

ATTENDEES – COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chief Jason Gilliland, Chair: Marblehead Fire Department*
Mark Foster: Beverly Emergency Management*
Chief John Fisher: Carlisle Police Department*
Chief Neal Hovey: Topsfield Police Department*
Chief Thomas Judge: Concord Fire Department*
Chief John LeLacheur: Beverly Police Department*
Chief Brian Moriarty: Lawrence Fire Department *

ABSENT – COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Jon Brickett: Northeast EMS*
Bill Klag: Emergency North Shore Medical Center*

ATTENDEES – OTHER

Michael Collins: Beverly Department of Public Services
V. Mboka-Boyer: EOPSS
Iain McGregor: NEMTRT
James McLoughlin: MEMA
Amy Reilly: MAPC
Lt. Tom Rinoldo: FD-14 Tech Rescue
Lauren Sacks: MAPC
Rosemary Volinski: MAPC

The following documents were used/referenced during the meeting:

- December 8, 2022 Agenda
- November 10, 2022 Meeting Minutes
- December 2022 Budget Updates
- FD-14 AAR November 2022 Rapid Needs Assessment Drill
- FD-14 ERR February 2023 Ski Lift Rescue Operations Drill
- NEMTRT ERR February 2023 Structural Shoring Drill
- NEMTRT ERR March 2023 Confined Space Drill
- NEMTRT ERR April 2023 Trench Rescue Drill