



# NORTHEAST HOMELAND SECURITY REGIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

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## Full Council Meeting

### Minutes

*May 14, 2026*

*1:00pm*

*MPTC Lynnfield Police Academy  
425 Walnut St, Lynnfield, MA 01940*

- **Call to Order**
  - Chair J. Gilliland called the meeting to order at 1:08 PM.
  
- **Approval of Minutes**
  - April 9, 2026 Meeting Minutes

MOTION put forth by C. Ryan.

- Approve the April 9, 2026 meeting minutes.
- Seconded by P. Parisi.
  - In Favor: All
  - Opposed: None
  - Abstain: None
- The motion passed.
  
- **Updates**
  - EOPSS/OGR Updates
    - None.
  - MAPC Updates
    - None.
  - Council Membership Updates
    - MAPC received two applications for the Law Enforcement seat in the second round of advertisement, now making it a total of 3 applicants (including the 1 application from the first round that was not disqualified).
    - MAPC received 1 application for the Public Schools seat.
    - MAPC did not receive any applications for the Local Government seat in the first round and have extended the deadline for the seat to Friday, May 22nd. One application was received this week.
    - Law Enforcement and Public Schools seat applicants have been sent to EOPSS for review and approval.
    - Councilmember Paul Cohen was recognized for 14 years of service to the Council, as this will be his last meeting.
  - Budget Updates
    - FFY23 – Grant End Date: July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026
    - FFY24 – Grant End Date: July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2027



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- FFY25 – MAPC and EOPSS are finalizing details of contracts for signature. Funding is expected to be released soon, and the grant end date will be December 2027.
- Project Updates (condensed in the interest of time for FFY26 Planning)
  - NEMLEC IMT Command Vehicle
    - The van and purchased equipment were brought to the shop for upfitting.
    - There are a few additional items needed for functionality, and sufficient funding left in the line item, so MAPC will procure the additional items.
  - NEMLEC SWAT Night Vision
    - The PJ approval was received, the IFB was released and bids are due Tuesday 5/19.
  - Cache Radio Updates
    - MAPC received a new quote for 32 radios and accessories, based on the additional funding allocated last month.
    - Delivery is expected by July 31<sup>st</sup> to support FFY23 closeout.
- Committee/Working Group Updates
  - None.
- Discipline & State Agency Liaison Updates
  - MEMA is continuing to work and plan for FIFA, Tall Ships, and the 250<sup>th</sup> celebrations. MEMA advised EMDs, over the next few days their assigned local coordinator would be reaching out to them for info on FIFA or 250<sup>th</sup> watch parties in their respective communities.
- **FFY26 Planning**
  - Since funding amounts and FEMA minimum spend requirements are still unknown, planning assumptions will include level funding and minimum spend requirements similar to prior years.
  - Projects were presented by stakeholders, and the Council reviewed the project requests submitted by stakeholders and evaluated based on prior years' requirements and priorities, and decided on the following A-List and B-List funding for the FFY26 Plan:





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MOTION put forth by P. Cohen.

- Approve FFY2026 allocations as listed, pending EOPSS/FEMA guidance.
- Seconded by M. Collins.
  - In Favor: All
  - Opposed: None
  - Abstain: None
- The motion passed.
  
- **New Business Unforeseen by the Chair**
  - None.

MOTION put forth by P. Cohen.

- Adjourn the meeting.
- Seconded by R. Knowles.
  - In Favor: All
  - Opposed: None
  - Abstain: None
- The motion passed.

**\*\*Next Meeting: June 11, 2026\*\***

## ATTENDEES – COUNCIL MEMBERS

Anthony Chui: Melrose/Stoneham/Wakefield Health & Human Services

Paul Cohen: Town of Chelmsford

Mike Collins: Beverly Public Services & Engineering

Colby Cousens: Town of Danvers Information Technology

Jason Gilliland, Chair: Marblehead Fire Department

Patrick Keefe: Andover Police Department

Ryan Knowles: City of Gloucester Information Services

John LeLacheur: Beverly Police Department

Scott Morrison: Tri Town School Union

Paul Parisi: Ipswich Fire Department

Christopher Ryan: North Shore Regional 911 Center

Dave Spinosa: (Proxy) Essex County Sheriff's Department

Heather Tecce: Lowell Emergency Management

Dorinda Goodman: Town of Lexington Information Technology

Bill Klag: Emergency North Shore Medical Center

## ABSENT – COUNCIL MEMBERS

Kevin Coppinger: Essex County Sheriff's Department

David Evans: Newbury Fire Department

Neal Hovey: Topsfield Police Department

Derek Sencabaugh: Lexington Fire Department



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## ATTENDEES – OTHER

Karla Kahale: MAPC  
Justin Shrair: MEMA  
Amy Reilly: MAPC  
Lauren Sacks: MAPC  
Vicky Mboka-Boyer: EOPSS  
Iain McGregor: Northeast MA Technical Rescue  
Connor Grenier: Northeast MA Technical Rescue  
Shawn Green: FD-14 Technical Rescue  
Matthew Boland: FD-14 Technical Rescue  
Snowy Quinn: Framingham Police Department  
David Curtis: Framingham Police Department  
Joseph Ciccolo: Salem Hospital  
Matthew Svatek: Westford Fire Department  
William Francis: DFS Hazmat  
John White: Melrose Fire Department  
Richard Menard: Malden Fire Department  
Thomas Daly: Lowell Police Department  
Andres Bolivar: Lowell Police Department  
Gregory Pekarski: Lowell Police Department  
Lester Baker: Framingham Police Department  
Jonathan Hubbard: Ipswich Police Department  
Peter O'Connor: Beverly Fire Department  
Jeffrey Gillen: Groveland Police Department  
Craig Bailey: Amesbury Police Department  
Eric Shears: Merrimac Police Department  
Scott Nix: Sudbury Police Department/NEMLEC SWAT  
Patricia Fisher: Newbury Police Department  
Raymond Jodoin: City of Salem Public Services

## **The following documents were used/referenced during the meeting:**

- May 2026 Meeting Agenda
- April 9, 2026 Meeting Minutes
- FFY23-24 Budget Updates
- FFY25 Preliminary Budget
- FFY2026 NERAC Project Request Summaries
- FFY2026 NERAC Project Requests and Supporting Documents