



SOUTHEAST REGIONAL HOMELAND SECURITY ADVISORY COUNCIL

SRAC MEETING MINUTES

MEETING CONDUCTED VIA ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL
AUGUST 6, 2020 11:00 AM MEETING MINUTES

Members Present

Chief Mary Lyons, Mattapoisett PD
Robert Kenn, E. Bridgewater DPW
Chief Thomas Lynch, Franklin PD
Chief Kevin Partridge, Easton FD
Rick Ferreira, TEMA

Guests Present

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 April 2, 2020:** The April 2, 2020 minutes were not approved due to a lack of quorum.

Fiduciary Report: Mr. Ham referred the Council to the at-a-glance FY17, FY18 and FY19 budget. Mr. Ham indicated that the FFY17 budget is officially closed. Mr. Ham thanked Ms. Reilly and MAPC for their assistance in helping SRAC close out the FFY 17 budget. Mr. Ham indicated that the SRAC is making great progress in spending down FFY18 and FFY19. Mr. Ham indicated that many of the approved trainings have been postponed due to Covid19. Mr. Ham noted the NYTOA conference has now been moved to April of 2021. Additionally, we will have to monitor the other trainings to see if they will move to an alternate date or cancelled outright. Chief Lyons indicated that she has signed the contracts for use of FFY19 budget monies and that we need to continue to forward project funding requests. Mr. Ferreira asked if an extension will be granted concerning FFY 18 and 19. Mr. Ham indicated that no discussions have occurred at this time. We are trying to advance all projects as best as possible.

A Fiduciary Report motion was not made due to a lack of quorum.

4. **MAPC Report:** Ms. Reilly indicated that MAPC is working remotely and all purchasing is working online. Ms. Reilly indicated that FFY18 spending appears to be going well.
5. **EOPSS Report:** Ms. Mboka-Boyer indicated that she is happy to hear that FFY17 is closed and that we are advancing nicely with regard to FFY18. Ms. Mboka-Boyer the 2020 application to FEMA are approved and an announcement for funding should be released by end of summer. The non-profit grant announcement should be made by end of summer as well.



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6. Committee/Working Group Updates:

- a. **MCSMS Committee:** Mr. Ferreira indicated the committee has lost a member and is currently looking to find a replacement. Mr. Ferreira indicated that many lessons have been learned from Covid19 and these lessons may change the direction of focus as it pertains to the subcommittee. Mr. Ham indicated that he continues to work on the shelter consultant document. Many of the vendors he has reached out to have not been as responsive as he liked. Mr. Ham nonetheless expects to come under budget and will work with the vendors who have responded. Shelter training may have to be run remotely for now and in-person down the road.
- b. **Training & Exercise / Planning Report:** Mr. Ham indicated he MYTEP has been forwarded to membership for their review. Mr. Ham hopes to have the document approved at the next council meeting. Mr. Ham asked if anyone has any projects to add to let him know.
- c. **Planning Report:** No Report.
- d. **Fire Services:** Chief Partridge indicated that training of the teams have just started to pick up. Many of the trainings previously approved are now classified as postponed.
- e. **Caching:** Mr. Ferreira indicated that new plastic barriers may be needed to be purchased by the council. Mr. Ferreira found them helpful during the recent demonstration. Mr. Kenn thought this may be a good project to consider for the future. Mr. Ham indicated that this is an allowable project under AELs.
- f. **Interoperability:** Mr. Ham indicated that Industrial Communications are officially on board. A kick-off meeting is scheduled for August 18th. No work has started on the Copicut Hill property at this time.
- g. **LEC:** Chief Lynch indicated that LEC activity has been quite as of late. METROLEC SWAT has received their vests and Martha's Vineyard LEC is expected to receive their vests this month.



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Liaison Report:

- a. **MEMA:** Mr. Mannion indicated his office is moving to Franklin and expects to move within the next month. Mr. Mannion indicated he will be managing both Regions I and II. Mr. Mannion indicated that Christian Cunnie has been hired as the new Local Coordinator. MEMA is currently doing a big PPE push and is distributing equipment to communities. The BRIC grant is coming out for those communities that have a hazard resiliency plan already in place. BRIC webinars should be occurring soon. Mr. Hattabaugh indicated that MEMA is currently working out details as to how best to conduct future trainings. Trainings most likely will be in an online training format. It is his expectation to have courses rolled out soon.

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 remotely on September 3, 2020 at 11:00 AM.

10. **Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 11:30 AM.