



# SOUTHEAST REGIONAL HOMELAND SECURITY ADVISORY COUNCIL

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## TRAINING & EXERCISE/PLANNING MEETING MINUTES

ONLINE MEETING ONLY

JUNE 4, 2020 11:00 AM

### **Members Present**

Kevin Partridge, Easton FD  
Thomas J. Lynch, Franklin PD  
Richard Brown, Somerset  
Timothy Francis, Fairhaven FD  
Rob Kenn, E. Bridgewater

### **Guests Present**

Gina Papagiorgakis, OGR  
Tricia McGuirk, OGR

### **Support Staff Present**

Todd Castro, SRPEDD  
Jed Cornock, SRPEDD  
Amy Reilly, MAPC  
Vicky Mboka-Boyer

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- Welcome/Introductions:** Mr. Cornock opened the meeting at 11:11 AM.
  - Public Comment:** None
  - FFY17, 18 & 19 Update:** Mr. Castro indicated that the FFY17 budget would close on July 31, 2020. Currently, the FFY 18 budget will close on March 31, 2021 and FFY 19 is set to expire on July 31, 2021. With regard to FFY 18, \$35,638.05 remains in the Incident Command Training & Exercises line item whereas \$119,701.61 remains in FFY 19 under the Training & Exercise Support line item. Mr. Castro informed subcommittee members that approximately \$246,657 of FFY18 monies are allocated to trainings and conferences for Fire Services. However, due to Covid19 the majority of the trainings have been postponed with no new training dates as of yet. Mr. Castro indicated that in the event that these trainings are indeed outright cancelled, Fire Services will have to reallocated the \$246,657 for new projects.
  - Training & Exercise:** Mr. Castro indicated that the four Homeland Security Councils are working together with the Massachusetts Cyber Center to create a cyber-incident response plan. Each council is supporting this initiative by contributing up to \$15,000. The combined monies will go toward hiring a vendor or two to deliver the program. The Massachusetts Cyber Center will continue to hold discussions with us throughout the summer and will possibly implement the program sometime in the fall of 2020. Ms. Reilly indicated that the Massachusetts Cyber Center will offer free online workshop courses to the Commonwealth and hope to roll these classes out soon. Mr. Castro will notify members upon hearing additional details on these projects.

A motion was made by Chief Partridge and seconded by Richard Brown and Chief Francis to approve \$15,000 out of FFY 19, Cyber Security line item for the joint Homeland Security Council(s)/ Commonwealth's Cyber Security joint project initiative. Mr. Brown, Mr. Kenn, Chief Partridge and Chief Lynch voted - unanimously in favor.



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5. **New Business:** Chief Partridge asked if HSSP money could be used to Covid19. Ms. Reilly indicated that any ask would have to have a connection to anti-terrorism efforts. Ms. Mboker-Boyer indicated that HSSP monies are to be used for normal Homeland Security project use. Chief Partridge cited the need for PPE equipment and De-Con equipment. Ms. Reilly indicated that she will forward information to Mr. Castro concerning De-Con equipment.
  
6. **Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair:**  
**48 hours in advance of the meeting:** None
  
7. **Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be held as required.
  
8. **Meeting Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 11:34 AM.