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**JPOC Meeting
January 4, 2017
Quincy EOC
10am-12pm**



Attendees:

Chief Paul Flanagan, Winthrop Fire		Nancy Anderson, OEM
Lt. Robert Gillan, Quincy Police		Rene Fielding, OEM
Capt. James Guido, Revere Police		Brenda Jones, OEM
Sgt. Mike Kiely, Somerville Police		Emma DeSimone, OEM
Chief Brian Kyes, Chelsea Police		Sarah Eig, OEM
Dept. Superintendent Kelly Nee, Boston Police		Eamon Miller, OEM
Chief Daniel O'Leary, Brookline Police		Chris Coakley, OEM
Chief Gerald Reardon, Cambridge Fire		Sarah Plowman, OEM
Chief James Hooley, Boston EMS		Alicia Woodberry, OEM
Nick Duncan, COBTH Emergency Management		Taushawn Tinsley, OEM
Capt. Ryan McGovern, Boston Fire		Hans Olson, EOPSS
Sarah Meyrick, EOPSS		Sonya Schey, EOPSS
Lt. Harry Cataldo, Boston Police		

Welcome & Introductions

- Nancy Anderson, Boston OEM, opened the meeting at 10:08am.
- Nancy facilitated introductions.

Approval of 12/7/16 Minutes

- Nancy asked for motion to approve minutes.
- **MOTION:** Approve past JPOC meeting minutes from December 7, 2016.
 - Boston, Brookline, Cambridge, Chelsea, Quincy, Revere, Somerville, Winthrop – **YES.**
 - Everett – absent.
 - **MOTION PASSES.**

Budget Update

- Nancy shared that OEM has received accept and expend approval from City Council and is now waiting for the budget lines to be created.
- FY15 spending is on track.
- FY16 funds will be available in a few weeks.
- Rene Fielding, Director, Boston OEM, requested 30-day quotes from stakeholders, rather than 10- or 15-day quotes in order to reserve time for the budget lines to be drawn up.

MYTEP Briefing

- Emma DeSimone, Boston OEM, updated the JPOC as to the status of the MYTEP: Subcommittees are meeting and discussing. Goal is to have a draft by mid-February, which

Emma will send to the JPOC to review. If possible, JPOC will vote on approval in March, otherwise April.

THIRA Briefing

- Emma reminded the JPOC that an updated version of the THIRA was sent out yesterday. The updates largely pertained to Med Surge and EMS. Emma called for questions; there were none.
- **MOTION:** Approve the THIRA.
 - Boston, Brookline, Cambridge, Chelsea, Quincy, Revere, Somerville, Winthrop – **YES.**
 - Everett – absent.
 - **MOTION PASSES.**

MOA Status

- Nancy shared that OEM has all but one MOA. Thanks to everyone for collecting those.

Charter Revision

- Nancy opened the floor for discussion regarding the best way to go about charter revision since group edits over email were not as easy or helpful as anticipated. It was requested to review other UASI charters for reference in editing ours. It was noted that some other UASI communities operate differently at the city/county level, but nationwide there are at least a few UASI communities similar to the MBHSR.

ACTION ITEM: Lt. Robert Gillan, Quincy Police, to call a meeting to head up the revision process; other JPOC members are welcome to participate.

ACTION ITEM: Boston OEM to obtain copies of similar UASI charters and distribute to JPOC members for reference.

New Business

- Newton Fire Department
 - Boston OEM received letter from Newton Fire Department asking to join UASI, specifically the Urban Search and Rescue (USAR). Discussion ensued regarding membership in general and Newton's request in particular.
 - Historically, MBHSR UASI was formed as communities touching the harbor, and branched out from there. The question was posed should communities that border Boston be considered for membership (e.g. Newton, Milton, Dedham, Watertown)? It was countered, however, that "harbor communities" also include Hingham, Weymouth, etc., and that all of these communities are already serviced by the MBHSR in times of crisis and can already use regional equipment. Additionally, the inclusion of Newton would not increase the grant award since the region's threat score is already based upon some of these communities. An expansion of the region would complicate matters logistically.
 - Metrofire was discussed as a potential option. The goal of Metrofire USAR is to get the UASI communities up and running first and then extend throughout all 34 towns, which would include places like Newton.

ACTION ITEM: Boston OEM will work with EOPSS on this issue and will update everyone.

- MEMA Complex Coordinated Attack Grant
 - Chief Daniel O'Leary, Brookline Police, reported on a grant opportunity regarding complex coordinated attacks. Grant is to be \$2.5 million distributed over three years and requires developing a statewide plan.
 - Discussion followed surrounding potential applications. EOPSS, with the State Police, will take the lead on applying.

- **MOTION:** UASI MBHSR will support the EOPSS/State-led application of the MEMA Complex Coordinated Attack Grant.
 - Boston, Brookline, Cambridge, Chelsea, Quincy, Revere, Somerville, Winthrop – **YES.**
 - Everett – absent.
 - **MOTION PASSES.**
- Travel Reimbursements Policy Update
 - Nancy informed the group that effective January 1, 2017, UASI no longer covers reimbursements for meals during travel.

ACTION ITEM: Boston OEM to circulate memo on new reimbursement policy.

- MBHSR in the News
 - Nancy reminded the group to take care when assigning UASI-funded assets. She briefed the group on the status of the two police officers who are asking for permission to purchase their K9 dogs upon retirement. They will be unable to do so, and had been told so when they were first assigned the dogs.
- BPD and Social Media RFP Process Update
 - Dept. Superintendent Kelly Nee, Boston Police, updated the JPOC on the status of the BPD's RFP for social media analytical tools. The original RFP revealed surprising capabilities that BPD does not want to pursue due to being outside the philosophy of community policing. It is likely that BPD will rewrite the RFP with a more narrow scope. The need for tools is valid, but the capabilities are wide ranging. Some equipment is necessary, but not to the extent to which the first RFP revealed.
 - Eamon Miller, Boston OEM, also noted that the \$1.4 million budget for this project is not all UASI money. \$300k is from FY15, \$300k is from FY16, and the rest is a state award to BPD.
- Massport Update
 - Lt. Gillan reported that Massport is now able to perform subsurface inspections of the Boston Harbor. Boston is one of the only ports able to do this. It will be a key safety measure during Sail Boston.
- Sail Boston Update
 - Rene Fielding gave a Sail Boston planning update. Much is still to be determined, such as which boats will attend, which streets will be closed off, where a public viewing may be, as well as other details involving credentialing, barriers, and security budgeting.

Meeting adjourned at 11:21am.

*Next meeting to take place on Wednesday, February 1, 2017,
10am-12pm, in Winthrop*