Minutes

Central Region Homeland Security Advisory Council

(CRHSAC)

Planning Subcommittee

April 2, 2019 1:30 PM

Members Present:

* C. Thomas O’Donnell, Police Chief, Town of West Brookfield
* Christopher Montiverdi, BOH, Town of Leicester
* Dean Kochanowski (Chair), Fire Chief, Town of Dudley
* Neal Aspesi, Lieutenant, Town of Southborough Fire Department
* Jim Barclay, EMD, Town of Royalston
* Patrick Purcell, Fire Chief, Town of Westborough
* Kevin Roy, Fire Chief, City of Fitchburg

Attendees:

* Amy Reilly, MAPC
* Nicholas DaDalt, EOPSS;
* Trish Settles, CMRPC
* Carl Ekman, Charlton EMD
* Conor McCormack, CMRPC
* Peter Peloquin, CMRPC
* William Lyver, Police Chief, Town of Northborough
* Gary Fleischer, District Fire Chief, City of Worcester
* Patrick Waugh, Patrolman, Town of Spencer
* Michael Shanley, Worcester EM

Call to Order: Chief Kochanowski called the meeting to order at 1:31 PM

Minutes: The meeting minutes of November 26, 2018 were presented for approval. Chief O’Donnell made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Chief Roy, **motion approved**.

Chair Report: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

PJ18-1.01 – Council Program Support (FFY2018) – Mr. McCormack explained the project, which is to fund CMRPC’s Program Support to the Council. This will be for FFY2018 and includes salary to CMRPC, funding for staff to attend MCPPO trainings, and funds for reimbursement for the Program Support laptop. Chief Roy made a motion to approve the project for $80,406.12, seconded by Lt. Aspesi. All in favor, **motion approved**.

Review of Project Proposals and Formulation of FFY2019 Central Region Plan

Chief Kochanowski reviewed the process of project proposals going through the subcommittees and reviewed each of the projects that were put on the A-List, B-List, and projects taken off. Mr. McCormack reviewed the dollar totals for each list.

Chief Roy made a motion to move the FD-8 Dive Team Ice training to an A-List, reduced to $7,000 to remove backfill/OT and match that of FD-7, seconded by Lt. Aspesi. All in favor, **motion approved**.

After discussion on the Technical Rescue PPE proposal, Chief Kochanowski proposed to set aside $100,000 for tech rescue and dive team equipment throughout the region. That would include the FD-7 Dive Team Equipment proposal. It was discussed to make sure that the FDs (7, 8 & 14) are able to coordinate resources. Chief Kochanowski motioned to approve $100,000 for FD-7, 8 & 14 Tech Rescue & Dive Team Equipment, seconded by Mr. Barclay. All in favor, **motioned approved**.

Mr. Barclay brought up ASHER/Active Shooter as an area to fund. Mr. Fleischer explained the two Worcester proposals and how they could potentially tie into regional active shooter. Members discussed how much to fund this priority area, landing on $100,000 for to-be-determined projects, on top of several other active shooter projects, bringing the total for active shooter to over $200,000. Chief Kochanowski made a motion to approve $100,000 for active shooter/ASHER, seconded by Chief O’Donnell. All in favor, **motion approved**.

Chief Fleischer explained the Worcester Fire Regional Mobile Interop Enhancement project and the regional application of the project how the city would be able to better tie into the neighboring communities and help with regional response and communication. The Council discussed at length about the merits of this project, ultimately deciding that they would leave it in the A-list as a priority pending a successful presentation and letters of support at the time of PJ submission. Chief O’Donnell motioned to approve the project, seconded by Mr. Barclay. All in favor, **motion approved**.

Chief Kochanowski noted that there hasn’t been any money put towards Cybersecurity. He suggested setting aside $35,000 as that would be more than the Council allocated to radiological projects, fulfilling the funding priorities. Chief Roy motioned to add $35,000 to Cybersecurity Training, seconded by Chief O’Donnell. All in favor, **motion approved**.

Chief Roy noted that the Council hasn’t put any money towards NIMS training. It was discussed that that dollar amount is high but that funds could be transferred to other projects later on if needed. Chief Roy motioned to approve $24,258.39 for NIMS training, seconded by C. Montiverdi. All in favor, **motion approved**.

Next Meeting: TBD

Adjourn: Chief O’Donnell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:19PM, seconded by Lt. Aspesi, motion approved.

Minutes taken and prepared by Conor McCormack, CMRPC.

Minute approved: 4/23/19

Materials in the Meeting Packet:

* Minutes of November 26, 2018 Planning Committee Meeting
* PJ18-1.01 – Council Program Support (FFY2018)
* FFY2019 Planning Day Agenda
* FFY2019 Project Proposal List