

Massachusetts Technical Rescue Equipment Subcommittee via WebEx videoconference
December 20, 2021
10am
APPROVED FEBRUARY 28, 2022

Meeting opened by Chief Mansfield at 10:03 hours

Those in attendance were David DiGregorio - DFS, Michael Mansfield – Council Rep, Neil Tuepker – Region 1, Sean Smith – Region 3, and Jason Saunders – Region 4.

Those absent were: John Burt – Region 5, Paul Morrison – Region 2

Neil Tuepker made a motion to accept the minutes from the November 22, 2021 and December 6, 2021.
Seconded by Sean Smith
Motion passed unanimously.

There was no correspondence received since the last meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

An update and on the progress with D4H was given by Chief Mansfield and David DiGregorio. A brief discussion followed.

There was a discussion related to the Logistics, Communications, Haz-Mat, and Planning sections of the SUSAR equipment list with some adjustments made to the overall quantities required on the list of some items.

Discussion related on how to proceed with the Hazardous Materials Section and the overall consensus was that the closest DFS District Hazardous Materials Team(s) would respond along with the Regional Technical Rescue Team(s) to most incidents to provide Haz-Mat support when required. This concept would minimize the requirements placed on the Tech Rescue Teams and reduce costs and equipment duplication as well.

The Tech Rescue teams will be required to have basic monitoring equipment as well as some basic PPE in their caches.

Communications requirements will also be kept to a minimum to include a portable radio cache, Sat Comms capability, and computer networking for documentation, logistics and planning.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Mansfield is going to have a Paramedic review the medical requirements in the SUSAR list for recommendations of what would be the minimal requirements to have the regional teams' caches.

Brief discussion related to presentation of cache list when completed. A couple of concepts were mentioned but nothing definitive was decided.

Motion by Sean Smith and seconded by Jason Saunders to adjourn.
Motion passed unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 hours

