## APPROVED MINUTES OF MEETING

**Massachusetts Technical Rescue Council MOBEX Subcommittees**

The Massachusetts Technical Rescue MOBEX Subcommittees held a virtual meeting, in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. c. 30A § 20, on **Tuesday, May 9, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.** and open to the public virtually through Microsoft Teams Videoconference:

## Present at the meeting were the following:

## Iain McGregor MTRCC Representative

## Paul Betti Department of Fire Services

## Rob O’Brien Region 1 Plymouth County

## Jason Tierney Region 2 Metro Boston

## Jon Martin Region 3 District 7

## Captain Tiffany Pelrine CM Region 1 CBRN MAARNG

## Absent at this meeting were the following

## Corey Pimental Region 1 Bristol County

## Mark McCabe Region 1 Norfolk County

## Seth Ellis Region 4 Western MA

## Other Attendees at this meeting were the following

## Chief Matt Belsito Region 3 District 7

## DFS Employees in Attendance:

##  Linda Crowley DFS Teams Host

## Agenda

1. Meeting Opening and Introductions
	* + Call to Order: **May 9th 9:05 am**
		+ Virtual Meeting self-introductions done by each attendee
2. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting held on:
	* + Previous minutes tabled to allow all members to review minutes.
3. Discuss Tech Rescue Subcommittee Correspondence.
4. **Old Business**
	1. Discuss key Objectives presented at Concept and Objectives meeting
		* Mobilization and Deployment
		* Multi Team / Agency Integration
		* Command and Leadership
		* Communications Interoperability
		* EMS and Hazmat
		* Structural Collapse
		* Wide Area Search
		* Rope Rescue
		* Confined Space Rescue
		* Water Rescue

* 1. Discuss overall Mobex Operational Concept and Timeline
		+ 3 – 14 Hour Day Operational Periods
		+ Overnight resets so all Op Periods presented with same challenges
		+ Discussion over moving date to Fall 2024 maybe early October.
			- All agreed Fall 2024 looking best timeline for planning
		+ Discussion over utilizing Joint Base Cape Cod as previous Mobex
			- MAARNG reports this is do able and in line with their operations
1. **New Business**
	1. Discuss DRAFT Budget
		* Require OT and BF for all participants is always biggest cost factor.
		* Region 1 and Region 4 notified no OT/BF by regional Homeland Security Councils
		* Need contract funding for Evaluators and Controller portions of exercise
		* Review of draft budget with costs listed to show complete costs for exercise this size.
		* Best plan includes contracting Evaluators and Controllers along with set-up, resets, and clean up.
	2. Discuss Funding Sources
		* Discussion over previous Mobex exercises.
		* Previously each participating team was to find own funding
		* Pressure to see the MTRCC to find funding for team participation
		* Discussion over state budget appropriation funding
		* Discussion over Homeland Security Grant funding, this has most support. Majority felt focus on file request for State Homeland Security Grant monies to fund this exercise. Work to get a commitment for funding for this exercise from Homeland Security or other state funding source.
2. Any matters not reasonably anticipated by the Chair.
	* + None
3. Tasks/Assignments.
	* + Collect previous AAR
		+ Collect Previous Cost Document
		+ Finalize Sub-Committee Voting Members
4. Future agenda items.
	* + AAR Review
		+ Funding
5. Determination of future meeting date(s).
6. Meeting Adjourned: **May 9th 1015am**

Notated by Iain McGregor from notes and recorded video