

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Harbormaster Training Council
November 8, 2018
11am
Weymouth Police Department

Members Present: Chairman Chad Hunter, Vice Chair/clerk Rosemary Lesch, Bill McHugh-Salem, Jim Concannon-MSP, Charlie Blair-Cape & Islands, Bob Gillan-Quincy PD/MH, Stephan Merrick-Boston PD, James Cunningham-MSP, Shannon Sullivan-EOPSS

Guests: Paul Milone- Weymouth, Larry Bithell-Salem, Jason Holms-Chatham, Robert Griffin-Chelsea PD/HM

11:08 Call to order

Review and approve minutes if October 18, 2018 meeting

MOTION: Bob Gillan 2nd Bill McHugh vote approval-all in favor none opposed.

Guest: John DeGutis-Boston Special Officer Academy overview. Mr. DeGutis gave an overview of the training courses the Boston Special Police provide for individuals in need of various aspects of law enforcement. Mr. DeGutis provided the council with handouts of the courses that are offered ranging from the 420 hour MPTC Basic Recruit Curriculum, Rule 400 courses for armed and unarmed candidates. These hand outs are now on file with MHTC.

The MHTC will do their homework over the next few months to see what training can be established from the information provided.

The council asked a number of questions to Mr. DeGutis and gained insight into what could be established by this council for harbormasters from the SOA.

A thank you from the MHTC to Mr. DeGutis for taking the time to share this information with the council

LMS-Learning Management System update:

Chad Hunter has been communication with Kristin Uiterwyk on the solution to the quiz/testing problems on the online courses. It was decided that the quizzes do not need to be an issue as the testing can be done at the end of each segment. Chad stated he and Kristin hoped a course or two would be up and running before the next meeting.

Good discussion concerning the training the MHTC would provide for prospective harbormasters:

Jason Holm's reiterated the quality of the USCG courses that could be offered at the local stations.

Bob Gillan confirmed that the NABLA courses could also met our standards but we need to in cooperate Mass Harbormaster State standards, determined by this council. We also need to establish a mechanism to approve the vendors this council chooses to provide our training.

Many courses have already been established at State wide standards i.e. DEP/Oil Spill

Bob Gillan will look into what has been established for state course which will include the instructor manuals, power point presentation etc.

Jason Holms will help with the established USCG or equivalent courses.

On next month's agenda we will review all the information that Bob Gillan and Jason Holms bring back to the council.

Also on the agenda:

- Bob Gillan discussion the council excepting vendors
- developing our own standards and review what is offered by this council

Public comment

Paul Milone-great that the council is moving along with establishing State wide standards for harbormasters

Jason Holms has applied for a seat on the MHTC and has been waiting to hear for over a year.

Next meeting: In Rockport, after discussion December 17 seemed to be the best date for all-Rosemary will check the date at the Community Room, Rockport Police Department and will confirm that location.

MOTION to adjourn 1248 all in favor

Respectfully submitted

Rosemary Lesch