

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MITIGATION EMERGENCY RESPONSE ADVISORY BOARD

January 25, 2024

10:00 a.m.

MEETING MINUTES

Microsoft Teams

Board Members Attending:

Jon M. Davine, State Fire Marshal
Chief Tim Bailey, Chairman
Chief John Dearborn
Lt. John McCarthy
Cathy Kiley, Designee

Department of Fire Services
Fire Chiefs Association of Massachusetts
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Professional Fire Fighters of Massachusetts
Department of Environmental Protection

DFS Employees Attending:

Maribel Fournier
Glenn Rooney
Rachel Pearlman
David Clemons
Jeffrey Winn
Timothy Gallagher
Stephanie DeMarco

Dept. of Fire Services, Deputy Fire Marshal
Legal Counsel to the Board
Legal Counsel to the Board
Dept. of Fire Services, Director of Ops
Dept. of Fire Services, Director of HazMat Div.
Dept. of Fire Services, Dep. Director of HazMat Div.
Dept. of Fire Services

1. Meeting called to order at 10:02
2. Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting held on:
 - a. December 7th, 2023
 - b. Motion by Chief Dearborn, Second by Marshal Davine – all in favor.
3. New Business
 - a. Vote to approve in district transfer (District 4 Technician) East Longmeadow to Hadley FD, Technician Minehan.
 - i. Motion by Marshal Davine, Second by Lt. McCarthy – all in favor.
 - b. Voting in of new Hazmat Technicians to District 3 – James Vignone and Brian Cobill.
 - i. Motion by Chief Dearborn, Second by Marshal Davine – all in favor.
 - c. AP4C Hand-held chemical detectors delivery to response vehicles.
 - i. Training will be completed in January. Detectors will be deployed in stages, the first going to 8 TOMs units.
 - d. New iPads for all TOMs, Squads, and CAT Bags assigned to vehicles.
 - i. Shrewsbury RISE students assisted with set up and distribution.
4. Old Business:
 - a. Event Coverage: Army/Navy game at Gillette Stadium December 9th, 2023 – very successful mission for T1 and JHIRT.
5. Any matters not reasonably anticipated by the Chair.
 - a. Lt. McCarthy asked what recourse a technician had to being dismissed per the new Technician Application. To be discussed at a future meeting.
6. Next Meeting Date – March
 - a. Director Winn to work with Chairman Bailey on regularly occurring meetings.

7. Motion to Adjourn at 10:15
 - a. Motion by Lt. McCarthy, Second by Marshal Davine – all in favor.