

Northern California Area Maritime Security Committee

Meeting (unclassified) minutes

Pier 35 San Francisco, California

April 9, 2014

1. Quorum Call

Mr. Paul Martin, USCG, called the meeting to order at 10:14 AM.

Capt. Lynn Korwatch, Marine Exchange, confirmed that a quorum was present.

2. Approval of Minutes – Capt. Lynn Korwatch

There were no corrections to the minutes of the meeting of January 14, 2014. A motion to accept the minutes as written was made and seconded. It passed without discussion or dissent.

3. Comments by the Chair – Captain Stump

Capt. Stump advised the Industry day at Coast Guard Island went well. Cyber security issues were discussed. He advised that the CSSP-DHS is a free tool where facilities can do a self-assessment. The 2014 Port Security Grant Program Guidance has been released about a month ago. About 55 million was allocated to the group one ports. All applications need to be in by the close of business on May 22, 2014. The performance period is 24 months. Cyber-attack vulnerability assessment can be funded. For TWIC technology you must use the certified list on the TSA website.

4. Member Agency/Industry Reports

Sgt. Paul Beard, Contra Costa Sheriff's Office: Advised that Capt. Will Duke is the Commander of the unit.

Deputy Dave Guthrie, Sacramento County Sheriff: Advised that the NASBLA course will be held in May in Benicia.

Steve Ogen, San Francisco Police Dept.: nothing to report

George Lerner, Port of Stockton: nothing to report

Mike O'Brien, Port of Oakland: advised they are continuing to work on Phase II of Joint Domain Awareness Center project. Working on developing a DAC privacy policy.

Sidonie Samson, advised that the Port of San Francisco participated on a local level from March 26-28, 2014, in a three day Tsunami exercise. The scenario was an earthquake along the Alaska Cascadia Fault which occurred at 9am during a work day. She advised the focus on day one was alert and warning, day two was damage assessment, and day three was recovery.

Dave Trombino, Lawrence Livermore Lab: requested a close door session for the PRND subcommittee update. Mr. Martin received approval from the committee members to conduct this closed door session after the meeting.

Lee Brown, HIS: advised they are working with CBP, Coast Guard, CA Highway Patrol, and harbors on PANGA threats.

Hank Ryan, MARAD: advised that they also participated in Alaska Shield. He said that it was a simulation of the 1964 earthquake in Alaska. They exercised readiness process for people in the reserve fleet. He advised they simulated the activation of nine ships to carry relief cargo.

Cindy Stewart, CBP: nothing to report:

Paul Martin, CG Sector SF: gave an update of the Area Maritime Security Plan review and rewrite that he has been working on with Mr. Bynum. He advised it should be completed by the end of April.

Capt. Korwatch, Marine Exchange: Advised that the Harbor Safety Committee meeting on 4/10/14 is being held at the Bay Model in Sausalito. She advised that the Coast Guard Foundation Dinner was on 4/17/14. The Marine Exchange Mayday Party will be on May 8, 2014, at Mc Cormick and Kolettos's Restaurant in Fisherman's Wharf.

Frank Johnston, CA Board of Pilot Commissioners: advised that the Board is accepting applications for the pilot trainee program. Information can be found on their website. He said that the USNS Comet is available for donation through MARAD.

John Cinderey, SF Bar Pilots: nothing to report

Pat Koenecker, Cal OES: nothing to report

Dave Sullivan, NCRIC: advised they will be holding a cyber table-top exercise at the end of the month. A handout was distributed.

Bruce Clark, Cal Maritime: advised that there was the death of a first year Cadet on the Golden Bear. He said the Bay Ferry IV exercise is currently planned for late October. Additional information will be available. He advised Cal Maritime will be participating in the Emergency

Management Summit on April 15. Advised Cal Maritime looking at collaborative programs at the academic level.

Pete Bonebakker, Phillips 66 Company: said that after the earthquake and tsunami in Chile that they were trying to evaluate by watching dart buoys activity and how it relates to what happens in the port. He commented that Homeport is a wonderful tool for communications and he would like to see it further utilized.

Kevin Krick, APL: advised that the terminal operators in Port of L.A. received a voluntary solicitation from the Coast Guard to review cyber security framework. He said if anyone is interested in participating to please contact him.

Ed Jerebic, Hornblower Cruises: nothing to report

Ed Hughlett, PORTS America: advised that area terminal operators are reminded that the first five years of TWIC cards is coming and that spot checks are being conducted.

Bill Aboudi, Oakland Maritime Support Services: advised there is a lot of construction occurring. He said a round of meetings have been held at the Port to resolve issues with the backup. He said the Port has done an excellent job with task forces

Catharine Hooper, Maritime Consultant: reported on the Maritime Commerce Advisory Committee. She said the purpose of the committee is to insure the interest of maritime commerce in the Port. She said discussions have included deep draft vessel accommodations, ferry landing and issues related to the Warrior Stadium. She advised that the Japanese government tall sailing ship Kaiwo Maru will be coming. She gave an update on behalf of Lorenzo Looper and said he was proud of the maiden call of the Crown Princess. She gave an update that P27 is due to be operational in September. She said that the Queen Victoria mooring lines broke, bollard broke, gangway was damaged and that the vessel was bunkering at the time but nothing spilled in the water. There were no security issues.

5. Work Group Reports:

UASI Coordination, Capt. Bruce Clark: advised that the potential joint engagement in port resiliency and port security was discussed. Second grant cycle, they may be successful in leveraging some UASI funds to continue training in maritime emergency management.

MIST Subcommittee, Mr. O'Brien: advised their discussion focus is how to verify threat information. He said reports should be made to the NRC main number. He advised RIG/Regional Intel Group will distribute an outreach flyer with references for suspicious activity reporting.

PRND Subcommittee Brief: was held during the closed door session.

6. General Reports

- A. Neptune Coalition Brief – LCDR Deon Scott: advised Neptune Coalition continues to grow. They have had an increased amount of joint boardings. He said their Intel division has had discussions over growing Panga threat. He advised that RIG assists in intel sharing amongst agencies. He advised the air support unit is working with multiple agencies to counter the NARCO threat. He advised that PRND will be discussed in closed session.
- B. Fiduciary Agent’s Report, Capt. Korwatch: advised that 2009 PSGP almost closed out. 2010 PSGP has an extension until 2015. 2011 PSGP extension request has been submitted and we are waiting to hear from FEMA
- C. Security Breach Report, LTJG Ayure: advised that a Port Security Statistics handout was distributed. The graphs indicate activity by location and type of activity. If you have any questions or comments email Andres.a.ayure@uscg.mil. A request was made for a review of trends based on this information. A question was asked about reporting levels. Mr. Martin advised that until a notice is issued, if a cyber incident gets through your firewall, an intrusion occurs, this should be reported in accordance with the regulations.
- D. Using the DHS self-assessment tool, Chris Hicks, Marine Exchange: A technical slide presentation was given on DHS – CSET self-assessment tools. He commented on the breach the Google IT department discovered which they named “Heartbleed Bug”. He advised it is a security bug that has to do with Open SSL certificates. He recommended agencies have their IT Department take a look at their systems.

7. Public comment:

Mr. Jim Rice, MIT Center for Transportation and Logistics: advised that several agencies and institutions make up the (CSR) Center for Secure and Resilient Maritime Commerce. His expertise is in supply chain resilience. Since 2008 identification in continuity practices for Ports have been a topic. They are working with the Coast Guard on a project that is called the port resilience tool kit. In the study they will be working with COTP to understand the decision processes that are made and the tools that are being used when dealing with port disruption. The Port of S.F. was a selected Port for this study.

Kevin Doherty, Nexus Consulting: They are based in the DC area. They provide R&R to the U.S. Flagships. Worked with the Maersk Alabama. They have been providing security training to Port Facilities. They are MARAD approved.

Korwatch introduced Elsa Velasquez, intern at the Marine Exchange, who is graduating from Cal Maritime and is majoring in Global Studies and Logistics.

8. Old Business:

Bruce Clark, Cal Maritime: continued the topic of discussion from last meeting about what is our plan for maintaining and continuing plans. Many committee members commented. A motion was made, moved and seconded to direct a sub-committee to conduct liaison with UASI.

9. New Business:

Sidonie Sansom, Port of San Francisco: proposed that a Sea Port Recovery and Resiliency Sub-Committee for the AMSC. This would include Federal, State and Local participation. Frank Johnston advised SAFE Port was conducted in 1995 and advised that MARAD has assets. Hank Ryan with MARAD advised he will follow up and agreed it is a good idea to have a sub-committee. Paul Martin advised as a matter of background that as a result of the SAFE Port Act of 2006, the last time the Area Maritime Plan was reviewed was in 2009 one of the mandated sub-plans was the Marine Transportation Recovery Plan (MTRP). What he suggested is to use the sub-committee to inform Mr. Bynum in some of the shortfalls that we've seen in resiliency. Mr. Martin asked the committee if they wanted to establish this sub-committee. Hank Ryan commented that FEMA representation should be part of this subcommittee. Mr. Martin advised that FEMA had declined in the past. Mr. Martin asked if there was a motion to enact a sub-committee. A motion was made, seconded and carried.

Mr. Sullivan advised that the USS America LHA 6 will be commissioned on October 11, 2014.

10. Next Meeting: 10:00 AM , July 8, 2014, Pier-35

11. Adjournment - Motion to adjourn: 11:55. A closed door session continued after adjournment.