

Northern California Area Maritime Security Committee

Meeting (unclassified) minutes

Pier-35, San Francisco, California

July 8, 2014

1. Quorum Call

Paul Martin, USCG, called the meeting to order at 10:08 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 April 9, 2014 meeting. A motion to accept the minutes as written was made and seconded. The motion passed without discussion or dissent.

3. Comments by the Chair – Capt. Gregory Stump

CAPT Stump advised of current MARSEC Level 1 and reminded all to stay vigilant. He introduced LT Jose Beltran, Contra Costa County SD, as a new AMSC member. Advised that the Port Security Grant Program is going well. A field review of 42 IJ's was conducted on June 18, 2014. Advised that MSRAM is being updated. DHS business rules will now include casualty data and indoor exposures from certain dangerous cargoes will be considered. Advised that port security assessments will now be performed by the DOT National Guard Bureau which will result in cost savings. Advised that ILWU contract negotiations will continue after a recently announced 72 hour break. Advised that the transport of LNG in our region is expected to increase and new policies are being developed. Advised of USCG MSIB 14-03, issued on July 2, 2014 regarding safety procedures for vessels carrying certain dangerous cargoes. Advised of several recent USCG personnel changes. CDR Andrew Williamson is replacing CDR Jason Tama and LCDR Nicole Vaughn is replacing LCDR Tracy Phillips. Advised that USCG activities are divided between prevention including inspections, investigations and waterways management, and response including law enforcement and pollution.

CAPT Stump swore in LT Beltran who took the oath as a member on the Northern California AMSC.

4. Member Agency/Industry Reports

LT Kirk Yin, San Francisco Police Dept.: advised that that there have been no incidents to report. The USS America will be commissioned in SF during Fleet Week. Sgt. Dan Laval, SFPD, gave a report on the response to the April 27, 2014 mid-air plane collision over San Pablo Bay. Many agencies cooperated including the USCG, SFPD, SFFD, Marin County Sheriffs, San Rafael PD and

Oakland PD among others. A search for survivors and wreckage began on April 27 but was halted at night fall. Sonar equipment purchased through the Homeland Port Security Grant Program was used to conduct a grid search the following day. An airplane fuselage and deceased victim were eventually located. Divers investigated and the fuselage was recovered on April 30. Overall, the response was great with coordination between agencies and fast deployment of sonar equipment. Areas for improvement include early communication and jurisdiction issues, asset determination among the various agencies involved and technical equipment training. Contra Costa County SD had jurisdiction. Capt. Stump asked if an incident command post was put in place. Sgt. Laval advised that a command post was set up once jurisdiction was established. LT Beltran thanked all involved and stressed the importance of both the sonar equipment used and agency partnerships.

Sidonie Sansom, Port of San Francisco: thanked partners in providing security for July 4th events and celebrations. San Francisco has extensive waterfront to patrol and protect. Advised that a training exercise is being planned for Fleet Week with more information to be provided later. Advised that the Port of San Francisco would like to be involved with the new port security assessments being undertaken. The Port has conducted their own assessments as part of the PSGP. Paul Martin advised that the new assessments will no longer be contracted and will now be performed in house by the DOT National Guard Bureau. Port security assessments will be uploaded to Homeport and the Port of San Francisco's participation is welcome.

Mike O'Brien, Port of Oakland: advised that ILWU contact negotiations will continue. The Teamsters are picketing today in LA / LGB. There are no impacts to the San Francisco Bay region at this time. Advised that Port of Oakland is replacing their emergency communication system with PSGP funding. Advised that the Night Hawk III cyber-attack drill took place on May 20, 2014 in LA. The FBI participated. An informational meeting will be held on July 10, 2014.

David Trombino, Lawrence Livermore Lab: nothing to report

Lee Brown, HSI: advised that Joe Vincent is special agent in charge. Advised that an operation responding to Panga landings in April and May was conducted in San Mateo and Santa Cruz counties. Many partners were involved and an incident command post was established. An AAR will be issued soon.

S/A Andrew Myers, FBI: advised that maritime deployment capabilities in the San Francisco Bay are being worked on including underwater EOD assets. A joint task force is being established.

Hank Ryan, MARAD: advised that MARAD vessels are available for training exercises. Introduced James McCoy, intern and recent Cal. Maritime graduate.

Ricardo Scheller, DHS Customs and Border Protection: advised that a walk-through of Pier-27, the new cruise ship terminal, is being conducted tomorrow. Advised that CPB communication is a priority and that active shooter training is upcoming.

Paul Martin, CG Sector SF: advised that the updated Area Maritime Security Plan has been signed and approved and will be uploaded to Homeport. Advised that problems with some TWIC card readers not recognizing new cards has been fixed. A bulletin regarding TWIC issues was distributed. Advised that independent port security risk assessments will be used to inform the AMSC plan.

Capt. Korwatch, Marine Exchange: introduced Elsa Velasquez, Marine Exchange intern and recent graduate of Cal. Maritime.

LT Jose Beltran, Contra Costa County SD: nothing to report

RADM Frank Johnston, CA Board of Pilot Commissioners: advised that out of 56 applications to the new pilot trainee program, 38 qualified. A total of 15 new pilot trainees have been accepted into the program.

Chris Beckwith, CA State Lands: advised that the Prevention First 2014 Pollution Prevention Symposium is on October 7 - 8, 2014 in Long Beach. A main focus will be on crude transport by rail. More information is available at slc.ca.gov.

Renee Domingo, Oakland OES: advised that Phase II-A of the Joint Domain Awareness Center has been completed with a final deadline of October 31, 2014. DAC privacy policy development is moving forward.

Chief Mark Ayers, Chevron: advised of an upcoming protest in regards to the increase in Bakken crude rail transport and climate change scheduled for August 6, 2014. Two to three thousand protestors are expected at Chevron. The date marks the anniversary of the Chevron fire. Advised that Chevron is improving their radio communication system. Advised that a worst case discharge drill is scheduled for mid-October. Advised that the Maritime Safety and Security Center is being completed and will be operational soon.

Kevin Krick, APL: advised of the recent Coastal Trident chemical weapons exercise in Los Angeles. An APL vessel was set to participate but was not available at the time. Advised that APL won the Bennis Award for Facility of the Year.

Capt. Paul Londynsky, Matson: advised that suspicious activity guidelines are being developed. A full meeting on the subject will take place in August or September. Advised of a recent accident onboard the SS Maui which caused delays. The SS Kauai was activated for 14 days to

assist and the SS Matsonia was activated as well. Advised that renewal of vessel security plans is complete.

Catharine Hooper, Port of SF Maritime Consultant: advised that Fleet Week is scheduled for the week before Columbus Day. The USS America, LHA-6, amphibious assault ship will arrive on October 6, 2014 docking at pier 30/32 and will be commissioned on October 11, 2014. Two other USS ships, three Canadian vessels and one Japanese vessel will arrive on October 8, 2014. The parade of ships is scheduled for Saturday, October 11, 2014. The vessels will depart on October 14, 2014. Scheduling is still be determined. Several distinguished visitors will be attending. Advised that the three goals of Fleet Week are recruiting, education and liberty. The mission includes disaster preparedness with communication between first responders being a priority.

Ed Hughlett, PORTS America: advised that no progress had been made in regards to ILWU contract negotiations. A one week extension expires July 15, 2014.

Charlie Bills, Hornblower Cruises: advised that security camera upgrades have been completed.

5. Work Group Reports:

- A. UASI Coordination Subcommittee, Paul Martin: advised that local strategic risk mitigation plans are being integrated and combined into a Bay Area UASI security plan. First responder training is also being expanded.
- B. MIST Subcommittee, Mike O'Brien: advised that this was the interim final report. The project goal is to increase information sharing among partners and develop sustainable resources. Deficiencies in Port of Oakland information sharing exist. Recommended solutions include improving communication training and outreach. The subcommittee met monthly to discuss ways of improving communication between law enforcement agencies, private terminal security and general port workers. The subcommittee did not want to increase reporting requirements but rather leverage existing protocol. It is recommended that threat information reporting meet MTSA requirements. Threat reports should be made to the NRC main number as Oakland PD has other priorities. An informational brochure has been distributed and outreach is being made to the trucking community, freight forwarders and law enforcement. Partner update briefs are available by signing up at ncric.org. The written report is being finalized and will be made available upon completion.
- C. PRND Subcommittee Brief, David Trombino: advised that documents are being finalized pertaining to standard operating procedures and the regional concept of operations. These will be reviewed by the USCG. The next steps include additional job aids, an August / September training seminar and preparation for the Bay Ferry exercise.

D. CYBER Subcommittee, Paul Martin: advised that a meeting was recently held finalizing the subcommittee's charter and that Oakland and San Francisco should be represented. Advised that quarterly meetings are preferable along with publication of a quarterly newsletter. Meetings will rotate with the next scheduled for September 24, 2014 at the Port of Stockton. Advised that the required AMSC Plan exercise will be a cyber-security seminar scheduled for September 9, 2014 at CGI. USCG, FBI and DHS will be participating. Henry Ryan, MARAD, commented on a recent email malware incident.

6. General Reports:

- A. Neptune Coalition Brief, LT Kitenko: advised Neptune Coalition partnered with HSI on Operation Swordfish in response to the Panga threat. The Neptune Coalition is also partnering with SFPD to enhance security and enforce safety zones during Fleet Week. The next meeting is scheduled for August 12, 2014.
- B. Fiduciary Agent's Report, Capt. Korwatch: advised that the 2009 PSGP is now closed out. The 2010 PSGP has an extension until 2015. The 2011 PSGP extension request has been submitted but not yet decided upon by FEMA with the current deadline set for August 31, 2014. Send all grant related correspondence to grants@sfmtx.org.
- C. Security Breach Report, LT Rivera: advised that a Port Security Statistics handout was distributed. The graphs indicate security breaches vs. suspicious activity and security incidents by location. Martinez had the most security incidents. The data is presented in a new format and feedback is welcome.

7. Public comment:

Kurt Birkhahn, MARAD, advised of a military out-load exercise at Alameda lay berth which will take place in the last two weeks of July, 2014. A VIP day is scheduled for July 29, 2014.

Capt. Korwatch announced that the SF HSC meeting will be held this Thursday, July 10, 2014 at 10:00 AM at Cal. Maritime's new dining facility.

8. Old Business: None.

9. New Business: None.

10. Next Meeting: Due to scheduling conflicts with Fleet Week, Paul Martin suggested the date of the next AMSC meeting to be changed to October 21, 2014. A motion was made, seconded and passed without dissent. Paul Martin also suggested that the next meeting be held at the new Maritime Safety and Security Center in Richmond. A motion was made, seconded and passed

without dissent. The next meeting will be held at 10:00 AM, October 21, 2014 at the MSSC if possible.

11. Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed: 11:46 AM