

California Area Maritime Security Committee
Meeting (unclassified) Minutes
Online Meeting via ZoomGov
January 18, 2022

- a. **Opening Remarks** - Mr. Paul Martin, USCG: Called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM and welcomed the committee members in attendance. Held a moment of silence in memory of Catharine Hooper, long-time maritime consultant and AMSC member.
- b. **Quorum Call** – Mr. Paul Martin: Confirmed the presence of a meeting quorum.
- c. **Approval of the Minutes** – Capt. Lynn Korwatch, Marine Exchange: A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2021, AMSC meeting. The minutes were approved without dissent.
- d. **Comments by the Chair** – Capt. Taylor Lam, USCG: Hank Ryan, MARAD, has retired and will be replaced by Tobin Richmond on the AMSC. The USCG recently met with CISA and the Port of Oakland regarding cybersecurity issues. USCG Cyber Protection Teams are available to assist partners and conduct cybersecurity assessments. Facility Security Plans are being reviewed. The USCG is participating in the Cyber Storm VIII national cybersecurity exercise of record in March. SSA will be participating as well. An informational seminar will be held in March on mass rescue operations. A mass rescue tabletop exercise is being planned for April of this year with a full-scale exercise scheduled for 2023. Additional information will be provided.

e. **Member Agency/Industry Reports** - AMSC Membership

Jim Vick, CBP: There has been turnover at the agency and new representatives will be joining the AMSC.

Lynn Korwatch, Marine Exchange: Nothing to report.

Morris, FBI: Protection of critical infrastructure is a high priority.

Gustav Hein, MARAD: Nothing to report.

Erik Swanberg, LLNL: Nothing to report.

Edgar Castor, DHS: A drone response course is being offered and information will be distributed. The recent cybersecurity meeting with CISA and the Port of Oakland was productive.

Tom Cullen, OSPR: Nothing to report.

Dominic Yin, Bay Area UASI: The first annual UASI Summit for first responders was held successfully. Details will be provided for this year's summit. A tabletop exercise is being planned.

David Connolly, Sailor's Union of the Pacific: Nothing to report.

Jim Swindler, Golden Gate Ferry: A minor oil spill was reported at the Larkspur Ferry Terminal. Notifications and cleanup are underway. Planning for the Bay Ferry V exercise has begun. Colin McDermitt has retired from GGF and will be missed. The USCG reviewed the GGF Facility Security Plan and the issues identified will be addressed.

Jessica Feil, City of Oakland: Nothing to report.

Troy Hosmer, Port of Oakland: Nothing to report.

Joe Reilly, Port of San Francisco: Minimal impacts to the port were reported from the recent tsunami.

Rick Salsedo, Port of Stockton: Nothing to report.

Steve Longoria, Port of Redwood City: David Fisch is the port's new Deputy Director and will be taking over as AMSC representative.

Amanda Wallace, Chevron: Nothing to report.

Greg Bosworth, Chevron: Nothing to report.

Chris Gallop, Hornblower: The planned Passenger Vessel Association convention has been postponed until March. The convention will focus on cybersecurity.

Henry Russel, SSA: Covid-19 issues have impacted the terminal. TWIC delays have been reported.

Dave O'Neill, TraPac: A new terminal operating system was installed and is working well.

Nancy Navarro, PBF Energy: TWIC delays have been a significant issue. Recent trespassing incidents are a concern.

Bill Aboudi, Oakland Maritime Support Services: The OITC website is currently offline. Cybersecurity is a concern. A new 25-acre empty container yard has been added at the Port of Oakland. Truckers have been evicted from Howard Terminal. Troy Hosmer advised that most of the tenants have been relocated within the port.

Kevin Krick, Matson: NMSAC has been reformed and will be holding meetings again.

Keith Matthews, San Francisco Police: The police radio system has been upgraded. Patrol boat upgrades were also made. PSGP funding is in place for encrypted AIS upgrades. Courses are being offered on water survival and GPS forensics.

Dave Sullivan, NCRIC: A bomb threat was called in on December 26th against the Golden Gate Bridge. Investigations revealed that the call came from Iran and the FBI was notified. No bomb was found.

Ryan Ketzbeau, MOTCO: Introduced himself to the committee. Counter UAS is a priority. An annual training exercise is being planned.

f. Subcommittee Reports:

- a. PRND Subcommittee – Mr. David Trombino: Planning for the Bay Ferry V field exercise is underway. Information can be provided on Rad/Nuc detection equipment.
- b. CYBER Subcommittee – Mr. Paul Martin: A subcommittee meeting was held last month. The latest Cybersecurity Newsletter has been published and is available on the HOMEPORTR website. Information was provided on cybersecurity tools and CISA holiday advisories. The advisories detailed recent malware and ransomware incidents. Cybersecurity assessments are provided by several government agencies. The NCRIC can also help with penetration testing.

- c. Neptune Coalition Brief – LCDR Hernandez, Sector SF: A Neptune Coalition meeting will be held tomorrow. Fleet Week security was conducted successfully. The Sail GP racing event will be held March 24-27 off the San Francisco waterfront.
- d. Security Breach Report – MST1 Badger, Sector SF: Reviewed the Security Breach/Suspicious Activity Report. Trespassing continues to be an issue in Martinez and is being addressed. Drone activity is a concern. USCG Cyber Protection Teams can assist agencies with cybersecurity. TWIC delays have been reported and applicants are advised to keep their records. Capt. Korwatch advised that the San Francisco Marine Exchange will be conducting a USCG CPT cyber-threat assessment.

g. General Reports: None

h. Public Comment: None

i. Old Business: None

j. New Business: None

k. Closing Remarks from the COTP: Capt. Lam praised industry partnership. The New Year's Eve fireworks event was canceled but more maritime events are expected in 2022.

l. Next Meeting: The next AMSC meeting will be held at 10:00 AM, April 12, 2022. The meeting will be held in person at the Port of Oakland, Exposition Room, 530 Water Street, Oakland, CA.

m. Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM.