

	MINUTES		
	NEVADA HOMELAND SECURITY COMMISSION		
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING			
Attendance	DATE	Monday, August 18, 2014	
	TIME	9:30 A.M.	
	LOCATION	Nevada Division of Emergency Management	
		Training Room	
		2478 Fairview Drive	
		Carson City, Nevada 89701	
	METHOD	Teleconference	
RECORDER	Karen Hall		
COMMITTEE MEMBERS	PRESENT	LEGISLATIVE & EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS, STAFF, AND OTHERS	PRESENT
Doug Gillespie – Chair	X	Christopher Smith – Chief DEM	X
Stacey Giomi – Vice Chair	X	Karen Hall – HS Staff	X
Carolyn Levering	X	Selby Marks – HS Staff	X
Regina Marotto	X		
Stan Smith	X		
Bill Welch	X		

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Sheriff Douglas Gillespie, Finance Committee Chair, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (LVMPD) called the meeting to order. Karen Hall, Nevada Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (NDEM/HS) performed roll call. Quorum was established for the meeting.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Gillespie opened discussion for public commentary. No commentary noted in either venue.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair Gillespie called for a motion to approve the draft minutes of the May 12, 2014 Finance Committee meeting. Finance Committee Vice-Chair, Chief Stacey Giomi, Carson Fire Department motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Stan Smith, Boyd Gaming seconded the motion. All were in favor with no opposition. Motion passed unanimously.

4. UPDATE TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

At the request of Chair Gillespie, Chief Christopher Smith, Nevada Division of Emergency Management (NDEM) introduced Regina Marotto as a new member of the Finance Committee. Ms. Marotto was appointed to the Finance Committee by Governor Brian Sandoval on June 26, 2014. Chief Smith. Ms. Marotto indicated she is looking forward to representing the tribes of Nevada moving forward. Chair Gillespie also welcomed Ms. Marotto to the Committee.

5. REVIEW AND UPDATE ON THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR (FFY) 2011, 2012, 2013 AND 2014 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (HSGP) ALLOCATIONS.

Kelli Anderson, NDEM briefed the Committee on the current status of FFY 2011, 2012, 2013, and 2014 HSGP allocations. In 2011, there is still a significant amount of grant funding left unspent. Currently, the balance sits at \$539,000. Significant strides have been made with the majority of the smaller awards which will reduce the balance a great deal, however two of the larger awards have had issues with reporting on either sub-awards or expenditures. It is the hope that a great deal of these issues can resolve themselves by August 31, 2014, however there is a risk that Nevada will have to return money to the federal government.

Chair Gillespie inquired if the majority of the 2011 grants were close to being spent down or encumbered, with Ms. Anderson reiterating that there are several problem areas. Ms. Anderson also confirmed that no one will have a grant extension. Chief Giomi indicated that at this point, anyone that has not spent funds will most likely be sending the funding back. Ms. Anderson indicated that it is possible there will be funding returned, but it will not be like 2010 where a substantial amount of money was left on the table.

In 2012, the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) and Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant activity sat in a much better place making major headway in spending down the grant award. All totaling, there is approximately \$63,000 still pending, but it's expected that this will be spent down to less than \$10,000.

Regina Marotto, Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada inquired if there is still an option to spend any of the FFY2012 funding, with Ms. Anderson indicating that the grant will close on August 31, 2014. Although NDEM does have 45 days from the close of the grant to finalize the grant closure, it would be very difficult to process new spending requests in such a short time frame.

In 2013, Nevada was only awarded SHSP funding. With approximately \$2 Million in funding allocated, there has been only \$381,000 spent to date. As FFY 2011-2012 grants close, there must be a focus on spending down FFY2013 grant funding.

Funding has not yet been released for FFY2014's HSGP, although it is expected to occur within the next week.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Gillespie opened discussion for public commentary. No commentary noted in either venue.

7. ADJOURN

Chair Gillespie called for a motion to adjourn. Stan Smith presented the motion, with Vice-Chair Giomi providing the second. All were in favor with no opposition. Meeting adjourned.