



AGENDA ITEM #: 16-161
COUNCIL MTG OF: November 15, 2016
FROM: M. Fowler, Acting Town Administrator
OFFERED BY: Edward B. Garone, Chief of Police
PREPARED BY: Captain George R. Feole
SUBJECT: NHDOS HSEM Grant Application

STAFF REPORT

PURPOSE: Approve an application for a grant from the NH Department of Safety, Homeland Security & Emergency Management totaling \$1,124.47

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS: I recommend approval of this grant to seek reimbursement of \$1,124.47 for the purpose stated below.

BACKGROUND: On October 23, 2016, four members of the Derry Police Department participated in a full-scale terrorism drill, held at the Mall at Rockingham Park in Salem, NH. The officers are members of the Southern New Hampshire Special Operations Unit. The drill was sanctioned by the New Hampshire Department of Safety, Homeland Security & Emergency Management (NHDOS HSEM). The NHDOS HSEM has indicated that participating departments are eligible for reimbursement for a maximum of four hours for each officer so assigned. The Police Department has obtained the necessary grant application and seeks authority to complete and submit the application. The total applied for will be \$1,124.47.

DISCUSSION: The Town Council is authorized by Town Charter, section 9.15, which states, in part, "The Town Council may apply for, accept and expend monies received from the State, Federal, or other governmental units, or from private sources which become available during the fiscal year". Therefore, we request that you take appropriate action as defined by the charter to accept the funds.

FISCAL IMPACT: The acceptance of these funds will provide \$1,124.47 of unanticipated revenue for the town and offsets the expenditures previously made.

RECOMMENDED ACTION BY COUNCIL: Recommend that the Town Council accept the funds associated with the reimbursement of a maximum of four hours for each officer assigned to the drill, as outlined above.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: I move that per RSA 31:95-b, the Derry Town Council authorizes the Acting Town Administrator to apply for and accept the New Hampshire Department of Safety, Homeland Security & Emergency Management grant in the amount of \$1,124.47.

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