



Orleans-Essex REMC Meeting Minutes

Here are the Minutes for the Orleans-Essex REMC Meeting, March 17, 2025

DATE: Monday, March 17, 2025 TIME: 1pm

LOCATION: Newport Fire Station, also available via ZOOM.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Chairman Phil Brooks.

Introductions were made. Those attending in person were: Maurice Doyon-Westfield EMD, Rebecca Petelle-Vermont Department of Health, Zachary Borst-Vermont Emergency Management, Conrad Bellavance-Fred-s Energy, Erik Lavalley-U.S. Border Patrol, Jeff Young-Newport Fire Department. Those attending via ZOOM were Travis Bingham-Newport City Police, Barb Nolan-UTG EMD, Tom Howell- Jay Peak Resort, Michael Sanville- North Country Hospital, Marilyn Martinez- Brownington Select Board, Phil Brooks- Glover EMD and Bruce Melendy- NVDA.

Zachary Borst from Vermont Emergency Management did a Marketing Matters presentation on how to gain buy in from leaders and communities for your respective agencies and departments.

Bruce Melendy from NVDA discussed the Cal-Essex Communications plan that was recently developed to help EMDs better communicate during Emergencies. It is still in draft form but was presented to the REMC to see if there is any interest in having a similar plan for the Orleans-Essex REMC. There is interest in developing this plan for Orleans-Essex REMC so it will be on the Agenda for May 19, 2025.

Zachary Borst from Vermont Emergency Management provided an update on training and exercises that will be occurring soon.

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The next Orleans-Essex REMC Meeting will be Monday, May 19, 2025, at 1pm at the Newport Fire Station and also available via ZOOM.

The meeting adjourned at 2pm, Monday, January 13, 2025.