Meeting Minutes
Bennington County REMC
May 12, 2026

Meeting called to order 18:05 with the following members present.
In-Person at the Town office Building in Sunderland: Todd Lawerence, Paul Doucette, Jeff Vickers, and Bill Jones.

Via Microsoft Teams: Bob Briggs, Linda Schmidt, Stewart Johnson, and Eddie Pascucci.

Guest speaker Scott Grimm-Lyon spoke on the upcoming Solid Waste Management Plan that is due on April 1, 2027, and all towns in Bennington County
will receive information from Scott and his team as they move forward with updating the plan.

Bob Briggs asked what the Solid Waste sites would look like and Scott stated that the question is being worked on with the plan update.

Bill Jones stated he would follow up with EMD'S during the 2027 LEMP process and remind them to make sure and adopt the Solid Waste Management Plan.

Bill Jones gave an update on EMPG funding and stated that it is currently status quo from our prior meeting with no EMPG funding available.

Paul Doucette stated that he would send a draft of the Bennington County REMC bylaws out for review and we will discuss them at the next meeting in August.
Paul Doucette mentioned the current Cold Weather Annex and that Bennington did activate the plan a couple times this past winter, and he asked if any other towns had plans of having a shelter open for cold weather.

Bob Briggs mentioned that the town of Stamford would have a difficult time doing this with their lack of personnel. Linda Schmidt also echoed the same as Bob and that
Sandgate also struggles with having potable water.

Linda Schmidt mentioned the Church in Sandgate is being moved back from the road 10 feet and when renovation is complete the Church will have a full working kitchen.
Eddie Pascucci asked if any Towns have a FAA policy on restricting drones in certain areas. Some discussion followed and Paul Doucette will follow up offline.

Next Meeting will be August 18, 2026, in-person at the Sunderland Town Office and Via Microsoft Teams.

Respectfully, Bill Jones