

## Windham Region Emergency Management Committee (REMC) Agenda

**Date:** Wednesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>

**Time:** 6:00pm

**Location:** Putney Fire Department, 21 Carl Snyder Dr, Putney, VT 05346

**Topic:** Northwest Massachusetts Incident Management Team and tour of the Team's Communication Vehicle

A brief overview of what the Northwest Massachusetts Incident Management Team is, how they operate, what they have accomplished over the last 15 years and what they can provide to communities. There will also be a demonstration of the Teams Communication Vehicle.

**Objective:** Learn more about the Northwest Massachusetts Incident Management Team and their Communications Unit, and consider applicability of something similar for Vermont

### **Guest Speaker(s):**

- Dennis Annear: Fire Chief/ Emergency Management Director for Rowe and Charlemont, Massachusetts along with Fire Chief for Halifax, Vermont; Retired Orange Massachusetts Career Fire Chief (23 years), NWMIMT Team Leader, National Registered Paramedic, and credentialed FEMA Type III Incident Commander, Operations Section Chief, Med Unit Leader and trained as a Resource Unit Leader
- John Taylor: Chief of the Shelburne Center Fire Department in Massachusetts; credentialed as a FEMA Type III Logistics Section Chief and a Communications Specialist

### **Agenda:**

1. Introductions
2. Guest speaker discussion
3. Vehicle tour
4. Updates and other items:
  - VEM Conference is on September 4-5 in Killington
  - Topic suggestions/requests for meetings/events/trainings/speakers
  - Keene Mutual Aid
  - [Local Emergency Management Plans](#) reminder (4 towns have not completed)
  - Upcoming trainings (Taiga)
  - The latest [Vermont Emergency Management newsletter](#)
  - REMC business – as needed
5. Our November REMC session will be virtual with topic TBD
6. Thank you for attending! Remember that REMC meeting agendas and minutes can always be found [here](#).