

Town of Westmoreland
Recycling Committee Minutes
Tuesday, October 15, 2024 3:30 pm at Town Hall

Present: Rachel Bartlett, Jon Lounsbury, Richard Meyer, Spencer Clason, David Poklemba, Bill McGaghie (Selectman), Jean Prior

Meeting was called to order at 3:34 pm.

Bill reported on which containers we own at the recycle center:

- We own the cardboard, paper and 20-yard demo containers
- Compacter and 40-yard compacter can

We rent from Casella:

- 30-yard demo container
- 30-yard co-mingle container

The Scrap-it container is owned by Scrap-It

The aluminum container is owned by Buffum

Bill asked if anyone has a drone which could take pictures of the recycle center site. Jon said he will find someone.

Bill talked to Ruggiero trucking company. They will give us two 30-yard containers and charge \$108 per load vs. \$125 charged by Casella. Tonnage would probably be the same – Bill will confirm with Ruggiero.

Selectmen's visit to the Harrisville Recycling Center:

Bill and Dave went. Ben Hoy runs the facility. There are 3 balers and the building has a concrete floor. People walk into the room and sort their recyclables. People knew how to sort their stuff. 4 or 5 people work there.

How can Westmoreland do the same?

Dave: Start with PAYT (pay as you throw)

Jon: PAYT is another tax

We need to get numbers regarding cost for PAYT. Bill will talk to Tom Bates.

Questions regarding PAYT: who will manage bags? How to educate public?

Discussion about crushing glass. If we crush glass, can we dump in Keene for free?

Can the dump be paved?

Committee should put something on the Town Warrant by the end of November.

Meeting ended at 5:00 pm.

Next meeting: November 12, 2024 at 3:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Jean Prior