

Town of Westmoreland
Minutes from The Recycling Committee (draft)

Tuesday, July 22, 2025

4:00 pm at Town Hall

Attendees: Committee members- Harry Ackerman, Victor Kissell, Barbara Goodine and BOS liaison Bill McGahie. Town resident Paul Steblein.

We did not vote to approve the previous minutes because we did not have a quorum.

Bill introduced Paul Steblein, a Westmoreland resident. He presented a “bunch” of information about the highly invasive knotweed. His background is in conservation and invasive species. He has been in contact with the state about addressing the control of knotweed in town. They will start a pilot program with a small section at the RC.

After a few attempts at sorting at the RC, it is obvious that having many signs and large signs will help residents. Barbara has some signs with samples and other signs will be put on the bins. We also need to hang the metal signs that Victor got from the state.

Victor had great success with the computer app for eager volunteers to sign up. It is broken down into 2-hour time slots. Information is on the Westmoreland Facebook page. There is a short synopsis as to what is expected of the volunteers. The next step is to activate a QR code to reach more people.

Westmoreland Old Home Days will be a good time to hand out information on the recycling program. Harry would like a table set up on the Common. Some of the committee members will be there all day with smiles and handouts.

Harry has hopes of getting some alternates to serve on the committee so we can be guaranteed a quorum at each meeting. He also would like to have a subcommittee within the Recycle Committee. Possibly to focus on communication with a newsletter from the RC.

Next informational meeting: Tuesday, July 29, 2025, 4:00pm at Town Hall

Respectfully Submitted,
The Recycling Committee