

Town of Westmoreland
Notes from The Recycling Committee (draft)

Tuesday August 18, 2026

4:00 pm at Town Hall

Attendees: Committee members- Harry Ackerman, Victor Kissell, Barbara Goodine, and Bill McGahie (BOS)

Meeting called to order at 4:00 pm.

We did not have a quorum, so the July minutes were not approved.

The updates from Bill:

- ✓ The compactor repair is complete. The VFD drive was replaced.
- ✓ Bill will take a trailer full of #5 plastics to a location in Springfield, Mass. If that works out, we will take more down there.
- ✓ The yellow lift needs wheels welded on to make it more mobile. Then recyclables will be dumped once a day.

The glass crusher is up and working. Victor is ready to train volunteers to use the crusher. We can fill the hopper with glass and/or put bins of glass nearby.

We discussed adding a few safety features at the Recycle Center.

- ✓ A new sturdy metal ladder needs to be purchased for the cardboard container.
- ✓ We need an AED and training on how to use the device. Harry will check with Jodi for more information.
- ✓ And a few more fire extinguishers need to be purchased.
- ✓ Railing will be installed on the wooden steps for the paper container.
- ✓ Barbara will bring the yellow safety vests to the RC.

NH Recycles has a plethora of information on recycling.

Harry would like to organize an educational day at the RC. All about battery recycling, is one idea. We will have samples and handouts.

We also need to explore some of the grants that are offered through NH Recycles.

A small group will focus on gathering data over the past year pertaining to the savings for the town.

Harry made a motion to adjourn at 5:00pm. Victor seconded.

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 15, 2026, 4:00pm at Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,
The Recycling Committee