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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

OF

**WESTMORELAND
NEW HAMPSHIRE**

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014

AND

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2014

WESTMORELAND ANNUAL REPORT 2014

DEDICATION

The Town of Westmoreland dedicates the **2014 Annual Report** to those who have worked for the town as volunteers, elected and appointed officials and employees.

We especially wish to honor those who have passed away during the course of the year.

Helen Draper
Zoning Board Clerk 1992-2006

Russ Kotfila
Selectman March 2009-March 2012

Stephen McKenna
Fireman 2002-2014

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WESTMORELAND TOWN REPORT

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT

A majority of 2014 was spent in finishing the repairs to damage done by the floods of 2013. Eckman Engineering of Portsmouth was awarded the bid to manage the engineering of the replacement of the River Road North Bridge and Cold River Bridges of Walpole built the new bridge. In addition to applying for funding from FEMA for the bridge, a grant was received by the USDA through the work of the local Natural Resources Conservation Service. The town share of the cost came from surplus, which meant that additional tax money did not have to be raised. Additional work at the bridge site was done to stabilize 180ft of the bank of the brook and 1,000ft of the brook was cleaned of debris. Income and expenses for the 2013 floods are as follows:

INCOME:	FEMA	Bridge	\$375,866
	FEMA	Roads	\$89,777
	USDA	Bank Stabilization & Cleanup	\$43,912
EXPENSES:		Bridge	\$501,155
		Roads	\$79,878
		Bank Stabilization & Cleanup	\$57,400
EXPENSE TO TOWN:			\$128,878

The town said goodbye to a familiar face at the Recycling Center when Supervisor Earl Kathan retired after 22 years. Ron Fish is the new Supervisor and has already made a big change. The old shed had become unsafe for employees and with the generous donations of many people along with town funds, a new shed was built. A special thank you to Mark Hayward, Bill Hatt, Bruce Bosworth, Ron Fish, Earle McClening, Adam Seamans, Dan Shelley, Cathy Stephens and Heidi Gove for volunteering their time and talents.

A 50/50% grant was received by the State of New Hampshire to purchase and install a generator for the Fire Department and Emergency Operation Center located in the Fire Station.

Engine 1 was refurbished in 2014 and Chief Nelson is very pleased with the work that was done. The Town of Westmoreland is very thankful and fortunate to have such a dedicated group of firemen and emergency personnel to keep our town safe.

Dick Schmidt and Bill Statz replaced the cellar stairs in the Town Hall. As of the writing of this report, Edson Painting is working on repairing the wall cracks and painting the dining room and hallway. It is our hope to continue with repairs and improvements to our historical Town Hall which is such an important part of Westmoreland.

Pat Dugger and Betsy Radune continue to be dedicated in planting and watering the Town Hall flower boxes all summer along with filling them with greens for the winter months.

The Town Hall was an amazing site for the Christmas season with the wreaths provided by Joanne Smith and 8th grader Grace Menard.

We would like to end our report with a request for help from all of our residents and visitors alike. We have been receiving an increased number of complaints about excessive speeding on our town roads. The State Police and the Sheriff's Department have been made aware and are doing random patrols. The NH State standard for speed limit on rural roads is 35mph unless otherwise marked.

Please drive carefully and safely for the benefit of others as well as for yourself.

TOWN OFFICIALS

SELECTMEN

Jack Zeller, June Hammond, Russ Austin

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Jo Ann LaBarre

MODERATOR

R. Bruce Smith (*resigned*), Robert W. Moore, Jr.

TOWN CLERK & TAX COLLECTOR

Cindi H. Adler

TREASURER

Jo Ann LaBarre

CUSTODIAN

Reggie Goodnow

AUDITORS

Nancy Zeller

ROAD AGENT

Gary Hudson

FIRE CHIEF

Harry Nelson

LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Jayne Burnett

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

William Chase, Director

Robert Hamilton, Deputy Director

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

David Wirth

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Larry Muchmore

HEALTH OFFICER

Lloyd Draper

OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Lloyd Draper

PERAMBULATION AGENT

Jim Ranson

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Ed Johnson

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Nancy Zeller, Elaine Moore, Sharon Riesenberg

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Patrick Baker, Michelle Hayward, Tim Thompson, George Oakes (*resigned*)

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Robert Moore, Robert Davis, Jo Ann LaBarre

TRUSTEES OF THE LIBRARY

Medora Hebert, Cindy Cote, Louise Slayton, Lynn Zimmerman, Kathy Cox

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Susan Finnegan, Wesley Staples, Robert W. Moore, Jr., Jack Zeller, Mike Acerno

PLANNING BOARD

Lauren Bressett, Bruce Smith, Jim Starkey, Dawn Lincoln, Steve Houle, David Hansel, June Hammond
Alternate –Laurie Burt, Mark Hayward Clerk – Alison Fissette

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Peter Remy, Brian Merry, Nancy Ranson, Russ Huntley, Barry Shonbeck,
Alternates – Bill Campbell, Ernie Perham Clerk – Jackie Cleary

WANTASKTIQUET REGION RIVER SUBCOMMITTEE

Richard Schmidt, Donald Farquharson

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Marshall Patmos, John Lukin, Richard Schmidt, Jim Ranson, Perry Sawyer,
April Ferguson, Selena Galen Alternate: Mame Odette, Mary Bradley

JOINT LOSS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Gary Hudson, Jo Ann LaBarre, David Poklemba

RECREATION COMMISSION

Susan Harris, Jason Simino, David Bressett, Mark Hayward, Jr., Lisa Huckins

PARK HILL MEETING HOUSE & HISTORICAL SOCIETY

John Harris, Hugh Shelley, Patti Seymour, Jan Hurley, Walter Carroll, Jan Carpenter

BRIGGS FUND COMMITTEE

Patrick Baker, George Oakes (*resigned*)

CONNECTICUT RIVER JOINT COMMITTEE

Robert Harcke

SPECIAL COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN

(Committees that are considered short-term and cease once their goal is met)

TOWN HALL COMMITTEE

Richard Schmidt, Jan Carpenter

RECYCLING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Dawn Lincoln, Susan Wright, Tim Thompson (*resigned*), Lori Schreier, Chelsea Olmstead, Laure Fontaine

MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE

Bruce Smith, Carol Austin, Bill Campbell, Tom Finnegan, Richard Schmidt, John Lukin,
Melissa Hoffman (*resigned*), Patrick Baker (*resigned*)

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

THE POLLS WILL OPEN FROM 11:00AM TO 7:00PM

To the Inhabitants of the Town of WESTMORELAND in the County of CHESHIRE in said State qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Westmoreland on Tuesday, the tenth day of March, in the year two thousand and fifteen at 11:00am of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1 To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 2 To see if the voters will approve Ordinance changes as proposed by the Planning Board.

Following the counting of ballots, the annual meeting will take place at 7:00pm on Wednesday, March 11, 2015 at the school gymnasium. The balance of the Articles will be acted on at that time.

Article 3 To hear the reports of Agents and Auditors and take any action relative hereto.

Article 4 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended sum of \$1,148,733 for general town operations. The Selectmen recommend this article. This Article does not include special or individual articles addressed below. *Majority vote required.*

*Article 5 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to replace the roof at the Westmoreland Public Library and to authorize the withdrawal of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The cost of the project will also be partially funded by a donation of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) from the Library. The remaining cost of eleven thousand dollars (\$11,000) will be raised by taxation. *Majority vote required.*
Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article.

Article 6 To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the Library Roof Capital Reserve Fund created in 2014. Said funds, with accumulated interest to date of withdrawal are to be transferred to the town's general fund. *Majority vote required.*
(If Article 5 fails, Article 6 will be skipped over.)

*Article 7 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. *Majority vote required.*
Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article.

Article 8 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of no more than fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) to purchase a new compactor for the Westmoreland Recycling Center. *Majority vote required.*
Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article.

- *Article 9 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. *Majority vote required.*
Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article.
- Article 10 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of no more than four thousand eight hundred and thirty seven dollars (\$4,837) to resurface the Glebe Road tennis court. *Majority vote required.*
Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article.
- Article 11 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of no more than three thousand two hundred dollars (\$3,200) to repair the Westmoreland Post Office entryway. *Majority vote required.*
Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article.
- Article 12 To see what disposition the Town will vote to make of the income from the Jotham Lord Fund. This money (\$42.00) is included in the proposed operating budget. *Majority vote required.*
- Article 13 To see if the Town will vote to appoint the Selectmen as agents to expend from the Financial Audit Capital Reserve Fund previously established in 2012. *Majority vote required.*
- **Article 14 To see if the Town will vote that the People of Westmoreland, New Hampshire stand with the Move to Amend campaign and communities across the country to defend democracy from the corrupting effects of undue corporate power by amending the United States Constitution to establish that:
1. Only human beings, not corporations, are endowed with constitutional rights, and
 2. Money is not speech, and therefore regulating political contributions and spending is not equivalent to limiting political speech.
- Be it further resolved, that the People of Westmoreland, New Hampshire hereby instruct our state and federal representatives to enact resolutions and legislation to advance this effort.
- Article 15 To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hand this 19th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand and fifteen.

Board of Selectmen

Jack Zeller, Chairman
June Hammond
Russ Austin

*Special Article per RSA 32:3, VI

**Petitioned Article per RSA 39:3

2015 BUDGET - EXPENSES

		Budget 2014	Actuals 2014	Selectmen Budget 2015	Budget Comm Budget 2015
01E · GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
4130	Executive	68,547	67,347	69,595	69,595
4140	Election & Registration	27,494	27,725	27,770	27,770
4150	Financial Administration	38,843	38,626	39,646	39,646
4153	Legal	5,000	4,852	5,000	5,000
4155	Personnel Administration	107,427	108,996	111,300	111,300
4191	Planning & Zoning	2,600	1,097	3,852	3,852
4194	General Gov't Building	22,933	21,849	19,604	19,604
4195	Cemeteries	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
4196	Insurance not Allocated	12,577	12,359	12,905	12,905
02E · PUBLIC SAFETY					
4210	Police	1,000	0	1,000	1,000
4215	Ambulance	39,125	39,125	35,408	35,408
4220	Fire & Rescue	32,065	32,062	33,495	33,495
4240	Building Inspection	1,500	1,888	2,000	2,000
4290	Emergency Management	1,900	1,371	2,250	2,250
4299	Mutual Aid	19,821	19,821	20,245	20,245
03E · HIGHWAYS AND STREETS					
4311	Highway Administration	132,500	134,613	136,500	136,500
4312	Highways & Streets	424,084	419,532	445,648	445,648
4316	Street Lighting	3,800	3,683	3,800	3,800
04E · SANITATION					
4324	Solid Waste & Recycling	87,887	88,726	93,435	93,435
06E · HEALTH					
4411	Health Officer	280	200	240	240
4414	Animal Control	200	10	200	200
4415	Agencies & Services	5,200	5,000	5,000	5,000
07E · WELFARE					
4441	Welfare Officer	280	200	240	240
4442	Direct Assistance	5,000	1,355	5,000	5,000
08E · CULTURE AND RECREATION					
4520	Parks & Recreation	2,000	1,275	2,000	2,000
4550	Library	32,290	32,290	34,000	34,000
4583	Patriotic Purposes	350	280	300	300
09E · CONSERVATION					
4611	Commission	600	339	642	642
4619	Conservation Fund - LUCT	0	1,920	2,000	2,000
12E · DEBT SERVICE					
4711	Principal - Fire Dept Tanker	23,250	23,250	23,250	23,250
4721	Long-Term Interest	814	814	407	407
4723	Tan Interest	1	0	1	1
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET		\$1,111,368	\$1,102,603	\$1,148,733	\$1,148,733

	Budget 2014	Actuals 2014	Selectmen Budget 2015	Budget Comm Budget 2015
13E · CAPITAL OUTLAY				
4902 - MACHINERY, VEHICLES, EQUIPMENT				
Fire Truck - Refurbish	56,850	56,850	0	0
4903 - BUILDINGS				
Post Office Entryway	0	0	3,200	3,200
Library Roof	0	0	25,000	25,000
4909 - OTHER IMPROVEMENTS				
Fire Dept & Town Hall Generators	18,952	9,018	0	0
River Rd North Bridge Replacement	35,000	23,662	0	0
Recycling Center Compactor	0	0	14,000	14,000
Tennis Court Resurfacing	0	0	4,837	4,837
14E · INTERFUND TRANSFERS OUT				
4915 · TRANSFER TO CAPITAL RESERVE				
Library	4,000	4,000	0	0
Highway Equipment	0	0	25,000	25,000
Fire Equipment	0	0	5,000	5,000
TOTAL WARRANT ARTICLES	\$114,802	\$93,530	\$77,037	\$77,037
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,226,170	\$1,196,133	\$1,225,770	\$1,225,770
LESS AMOUNT OF ESTIMATED REV	\$552,617		\$553,400	\$553,400
AMOUNT OF TAXES TO BE RAISED	\$673,553		\$672,370	\$672,370
(Exclusive of School & County Taxes)				

	<u>Selectmen</u>	<u>Budget Committee</u>
Property Tax Increase/Decrease from 2014 Budget	-\$1,183	-\$1,183
	-0.18%	-0.18%
Tax Rate Increase/Decrease from Proposed Budget	\$0.00	\$0.00
Tax Impact on \$100,000 home	\$0.00	\$0.00

Estimated Tax Impact for additions/deletions to the budget

(Local Assessed Valuation: \$174,557,972)

\$1,745.00	\$0.01
\$17,455.00	\$0.10
\$174,557.00	\$1.00

2015 BUDGET - REVENUE

		Anticipated Revenues 2014	Actual Revenues 2014	Selectmen's Anticipated Revenues 2015	Budget Comm Anticipated Revenues 2015
	TAXES				
3120	Land Use Change Tax - General	2,000	1,920	2,000	2,000
3121	Land Use Change Tax - Conserv	0	1,920	2,000	2,000
3185	Yield Taxes	20,000	21,322	20,000	20,000
3187	Excavation Tax	3,000	3,021	3,000	3,000
3190	Interest & Penalties-Taxes	15,000	15,055	14,500	14,500
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES				
3210	Business Licenses & Permits	1,025	556	525	525
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	251,600	283,513	282,150	282,150
3230	Building Permits	1,500	1,888	2,000	2,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	9,200	10,535	9,950	9,950
	FROM STATE				
3352	Rooms & Meals	83,598	83,598	83,000	83,000
3353	Highway Block Grant	71,554	71,812	70,000	70,000
3356	Forest Land Reimbursement	5	5	5	5
3359	Generator Grant	8,476	4,159	0	0
3359	Misc.	125	125	0	0
	FROM OTHER GOVT'S				
3379	Forest Fire Reimbursement	500	504	500	500
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES				
3401	Income from Departments	4,500	5,178	4,700	4,700
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES				
3501	Sale of Town Owned Equipment	2,000	2,000	0	0
3502	Interest	1,600	1,891	1,800	1,800
3503	Rent of Property	5,750	5,830	5,800	5,800
3506	Insurance Dividends	8,756	11,963	9,828	9,828
3509	Other				
	Library Contribution - Roof	0	0	10,000	10,000
	Misc	250	379	300	300
	INTERFUND TRANSFERS				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds:				
	Library Roof	0	0	4,000	4,000
3916	Trust Funds	2,178	2,178	2,342	2,342
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
3939	Amt Voted from Fund Balance	35,000	25,289	0	0
3939	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS		\$552,617	\$579,642	\$553,400	\$553,400

TOWN MEETING

TOWN OF WESTMORELAND, NEW HAMPSHIRE

MARCH 11 & MARCH 12, 2014

The Annual Town Meeting (Elections) was called to order by R. Bruce Smith, Moderator, on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 at 11:00 am with the readings of Article One and stating that we are also voting on Article 2 - the Ordinance Changes (which are available at the Selectmen's Office if anyone wishes to view them) of the Town Warrant and declaring the polls open. The remaining Articles are to be considered on Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at 7:00 pm at the Westmoreland School during the Annual Town Meeting after a recess. Polls were declared closed at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 by R. Bruce Smith, Moderator.

Moderator R. Bruce Smith called the Westmoreland Annual Town Meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the Westmoreland School on Wednesday, March 13, 2013, with the Pledge of Allegiance and declaring the winners in the ballot votes of Articles One and Two marked by * below), stating that the increased number of Selectmen failed and that all of the Ordinance Changes passed:

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

To see if the voters will approve changing the number of Selectmen from 3 to 5.

The results of balloting were as follows (Total ballots cast were 343 of the registered 1255 voters = 28%.):

For two years	Moderator	
	R. Bruce Smith	54*
	Russell Kotfila	19
	Bob Moore	7
	Misc.	13
For three years	Selectman	
	G. Russell Austin	263*
	Jeanette Hubert	57
	Ernest Perham	13
For one year	Town Clerk	
	Cindi H. Adler	322*
	Misc.	7
For one year	Treasurer	
	Jo Ann LaBarre	326*

	Misc.	2
For three years	Budget Committee	
	Robert Moore, Jr.	305*
	Misc.	10
For three years	Trustee of Trust Funds	
	Gary Gray	3
	Jo Ann LaBarre	3
	Misc.	7
For two years	Trustee of Trust Funds	
	George J. Oakes III	274*
	Misc.	7
For one year	Overseer of Public Welfare	
	Lloyd Draper	299*
	Misc.	5
For three years	Cemetery Trustee	
	Jo Ann LaBarre	329*
	Misc.	3
For two years	Auditor	
	Nancy Zeller	303*
	Misc.	9
For one Year	Auditor	
	Kathy DeFreitas	3
	Russell Kotfila	3
	Misc.	18
For one year	Tax Collector	
	Cindi H. Adler	325*
	Misc.	6
For one year (2)	Briggs Fund Committee	
	Patrick Baker	253*
	George J. Oakes, III	251*
	Jeanette Hubert	4
	Misc.	9

For three years (2)	Trustee of the Library	
	Katherine Cox	295*
	Lynn Zimmerman	272*
	Misc.	5
For six years	Supervisor of the Checklist	
	Sharon Riesenber	281*
	Tim Thompson	1

Are you in favor of increasing the Board of Selectmen to Five (5) Members? (Per RSA 41:8-b) (This would go into effect at the 2015 Town Elections.)

YES 70 NO 240*

ARTICLE TWO: To see if the voters will approve Ordinance changes proposed by the Planning Board.

WESTMORELAND ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

Explanation: Matter added to current ordinance appears in ***bold italics***.

Matter removed from current ordinance appears as a ~~strickthrough~~.

1. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Section 104 Terms

Alteration: Structural change, rearrangement, change of location ***of a building***, or addition to a building, ~~other than repairs and modification in building equipment.~~

Building: Structure having a roof supported by columns or walls and intended for the shelter or enclosure of persons, animals, or chattel; ***except portable structures (as defined under SECTION 104 Terms)***.

Dwelling Unit: Building or part thereof used as living quarters for one family. The terms "dwelling", "one-family dwelling", "two-family dwelling", or "dwelling group" shall not include a motel, hotel, boarding house, tourist home, ~~mobile home~~ ***recreation vehicle***, or similar structure.

Maintenance – ***General upkeep performed on any part of a building or structure including replacement and/or repair of existing features, equipment or fixtures.***

Structure: Anything constructed or erected, the use of which requires location on the ground, or attachment to something located on the ground, ~~except a wall or fence on an operating farm.~~ **Fences, stone walls and flag poles shall not be considered structures.**

Small Structure: Any structure that is less than 160 square feet and is permanently attached to the ground and cannot be moved intact.

Temporary Structure: Anything constructed or erected for less than 270 days in any twelve month period

Sign, Banner: A temporary sign of lightweight material hung either with or without frames.

Sign, temporary service: A sign not intended for permanent use indicating work currently being done or a current condition that applies such as a real estate, roofing, or carpenter's sign.

Sign, directory: A sign that indicates the name of the location as well as a listing of all businesses/entities located on the site.

Sign, flag: A lightweight material carrying a design or words designed to fly or hang from a pole.

YES 208* NO 114

2. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

SECTION 431 Signs

No signs or billboards shall be permitted in any district except as specifically permitted herein as follows:

- A. An open flag or banner may be displayed during business hours.**
- B. Temporary service signs not to exceed 6 square feet with the name and contact information of the contractor will be allowed during the active service period and up to 30 days after completion of the service.**
- C. Signage not covered below or not in compliance may be allowed by special exception.**

SECTION 433 Signs in Residential Districts

The following signs are permitted when located on the immediate property.

- A. No signs shall be larger than 16 square feet.**
- B. All permitted or approved non-residential uses shall be allowed to erect and maintain a single free-standing sign and any number of additional signs, where the use occurs, provided that the combined area of all signs does not exceed 32 square feet for all uses and are not contiguous with the primary sign.**

C. Signs shall not exceed 15 feet from ground level.

SECTION 434 Signs in Commercial/Industrial Districts

The following signs are permitted when located on the immediate property:

A. When one business exists:

1. One **business** sign not larger than **32 square feet**.
2. **Additional signage pertaining to permitted uses where the use occurs provided the combined area of all signs does not exceed 64 square feet.**

B. When more than one business exists on a property:

1. One directory sign not larger than **32 square feet, plus an additional 6 square feet per additional business listing the name of each business on site.**
2. One sign per business not larger than **16 sq feet** located on or immediately adjacent to each business.
3. **One additional banner sign not larger than 12 square feet located on or immediately adjacent to each business.**

SECTION 435 Computation of Permissible Sign Area

When computing the total permissible sign area for any use:

- A. Existing signs shall be included.
- B. The total area of all signs shall not exceed the requirements as set forth in this Ordinance.
- C. Signs, consisting of free standing letters, numerals or other devices shall include any intervening spaces between them.
- D. Only the larger face area of double-faced or v-type sign shall be used.
- E. Back-to-back signs may be counted as one sign.
- F. **Open flags are not counted in the computation of permissible sign area.**

SECTION 437 Illuminated and Flashing Signs

- A. A steady light may illuminate signs, provided that such lighting will not illuminate or reflect onto other properties **or onto a public road.**
- B. Flashing, oscillating, revolving, **neon or other tubular gas** signs shall not be permitted, unless necessary for public safety or welfare.

YES 190* NO 131

3. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

SECTION 421:1 Portable and Small Structures

Portable **and small** structures (as defined under **SECTION 104 Terms**) ~~are allowed by-~~ permit, must have at least a twenty feet setback from side and back yards and must meet all other regulations for the zone in which they are placed.

YES 210* NO 104

4. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Table 502 "C/I" - Commercial/Industrial

Minimum Yard Dimensions Setback in Feet: Front yard: 30' Each Side Yard: 20' Rear:20'

Table 503 "FR" - Forestry Residential

Minimum Yard Setback in Feet: Front yard: 50' Each Side Yard: 50' 20' Rear: 50' 20'

Table 505 "RR" - Rural Residential

Minimum Yard Setback in Feet: Front yard: 50' Each Side Yard: 50' 20' Rear: 50' 20'

YES 198* NO 114

5. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Building Ordinance as follows:

Article II

SECTION 2:02 A new building more than 35 feet in height above the natural ground level must **be granted a variance from** ~~have prior approval of the Zoning Board of Adjustment prior to applying for a building permit.~~

SECTION 2:03 ~~No new building, exterior or interior, structure, or chimney shall be altered, without a building permit from the Building Inspector, to who adequate plans of proposed building or alterations shall be submitted. No building permit shall be required for small, portable or temporary structures (as defined under SECTION 104 Terms) or for maintenance of an existing building or structure.~~

A building permit, issued by the Building Inspector prior to project commencement, shall be required for:

- 1) New buildings and new structures constructed of any materials**
- 2) Alterations (as defined under SECTION 104 Terms) of buildings and structures**

The following information, and any other information deemed necessary by the Building Inspector, shall be submitted to the Building Inspector before a building permit can be issued:

•New buildings and new structures shall require a completed application, the appropriate fee, driveway permit, state approved septic design, zoning permit, and adequate plans of the proposed building or structure.

•Alterations of buildings and structures shall require a completed application, the appropriate fee and adequate plans of the proposed alterations.

~~No permit will be required for repairing the exterior or interior of a building if the total value of such work, including labor and materials, does not exceed \$1500.00. The Selectmen will set building permit fees as they see fit. Fees must be paid to the Building Inspector of the Town of Westmoreland.~~

SECTION 2:05 Every dwelling house **unit** or other building or addition thereto, shall be required to follow the setbacks as set forth in the Zoning Ordinances for their district. Every dwelling house **unit** shall have a minimum ground floor area of 600 square feet, exclusive of porches, breezeways, garages, sheds or similar areas.

SECTION 2:06 **Foundations**

Foundations shall be continuous and be constructed of solid concrete, block, stone, or other similar materials, extending at least four feet below the ~~normal~~ ground level.

Accessory buildings may be set on brick, stone, concrete piers, or pressure-treated ~~[concrete] posts, set 4' below ground level~~ **extending at least four feet below the ground level**, completely enclosed to prevent leaves and other debris from collecting under the building. A concrete slab, ~~designed by a registered engineer and approved by the Building Inspector~~, shall also be acceptable.

SECTION 2:08 Chimneys

All chimneys must be inspected and approved by the Fire Chief prior to use and/or before a certificate of occupancy is issued.

SECTION 2:10 Sewerage & Water

All dwelling units used for permanent human occupancy must be supplied with running hot and cold water properly connected with the following fixtures: kitchen sink, lavatory sink, tub or shower, water closet (**unless a dry composting toilet is installed in compliance with 2:10 paragraph 2**). These fixtures must be connected with a ~~septic tank and leach-field~~ **sewage and/or wastewater disposal system** that has been approved by the New Hampshire Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission Department of Environmental Services. ~~The required septic tank and leach field must be of sufficient size to accommodate a water closet.~~

A family sized commercial dry composting toilet may be allowed in lieu of a water closet. Such a system must first be approved by the local ~~Board of Health~~ **Health Officer or equivalent** based on the determination that said system will not endanger the health of any person or cause a nuisance and that the end product will be disposed of in a sanitary manner. All other requirements in the first paragraph of Section 2:10 must be met.

YES 207* NO 108

6. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Building Ordinance as follows:

Article IV

SECTION 4:02 The Building Inspector shall in all cases visit the site of any proposed building or ~~remodeling~~ **alteration** in company of the owner of the site before issuing a building permit. He shall satisfy himself that the proposal will meet all requirements of the Town Building Ordinances.

SECTION 4:05 Driveway Permit

The Building Inspector shall not issue a building permit before the securing of a driveway permit **from the appropriate road authority**, if a new driveway is required. ~~Any new drive from a public road shall require a driveway permit from the Town Road Agent.~~ Factors to be considered include a safe location, suitable grade at its junction with the public road and adequate drainage.

YES 234* NO 76

7. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Building Ordinance as follows:

(The town's attorney suggests that this paragraph should be removed)

ARTICLE VII

~~SECTION 7:02 Interpretation~~

~~In interpreting and applying the provisions of this Ordinance, they shall be held to be the minimum requirements for the promotion of the health, safety, morals and general welfare of the Town of Westmoreland and its citizens. The implied intent of the Ordinance shall be maintained. In addition to the general powers granted to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, they shall allow slight variances from specific terms of this Ordinance, where it can be shown that unnecessary hardship would otherwise result.~~

YES 204* NO 78

ARTICLE 3: To hear the reports of Agents and Auditors and take any action relative thereto.

Article moved by Bruce Clement and seconded by G. Russell Austin. No Discussion.

ARTICLE 2 WAS VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended sum of \$1,111,368 for general town operations. The Selectmen recommend \$1,112,868. This Article does not include special or individual articles addressed below. Majority vote required.

Motion made by Wesley Staples to pass the Budget Committee Operating Budget of \$1,111,368 was Seconded by Gary Dermott.

G. Russell Austin spoke to the Article that on Page 15, of the Annual Report you can see the difference of \$1,500. of the Selectmen's proposed budget on Line O3E - 4311. On Page 22 in the Detailed Report under Highways & Streets "Temp Wages" the Highway Department spent \$8,714.25 which in the past have spent \$1,000 - \$2,000. So the Budget Committee Recommended \$2,500. And the Selectmen Recommended \$4,000. Austin stated that it was high last year due to having to have a flagger for traffic control which we need for safety and insurance for any major road work. Ron Fish was used to do a lot of ditching on London Road due to the the flooding and Ernie (one of the full-time employees) had quit. The Select Board had met with Road Agent, Gary Hudson at 3:00pm this afternoon. Gary stated that he would not be attending the Town Meeting. Gary had stated that he does not want the \$37,750.00 In Article 6 for the new dump body and hydraulic lines for the 2001 International Highway Truck, BUT still wants the money added to his budget, stating that he has asked for \$54,000 in his budget for Salt & Calcium Chloride and has already spent \$50,000 this year. It costs \$13,000 for one load of Calcium Chloride. And he also needs more into his budget for the mud roads (fill, etc.) so we will be addressing that as well in Article 6. Bob Ball asked if the work force issue is resolved and the Highway Department is up the personnel level --number of employees.

Austin stated they are. The floods prompted the extra temporary work load. Bob Ball then recommends the the Town vote for the Selectmen's Budget. Austin then proposed amendment to the Article adding \$21,500 to the Budget Committees Budget stating he wants to put the \$1500 back in for the Temporary help and additional \$20,000 for gravel and Calcium Chloride for Gary's Budget. Wes Staples stated that they only spent \$7,000 for gravel last year and already have \$30,000 in the budget there. \$30,000 is enough, should bring it down \$7,000. Bob Moore stated that they had already built in \$20,000 into his budget, doesn't need more.

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 4 to add \$21,500 to Budget Committee's Budget
DEFEATED by HAND VOTE YES 42, NO 47.

ARTICLE 4 - BUDGET COMMITTEE BUDGET of \$1,111,368 - WAS VOTED IN
THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE 5: To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate no more than fifty six thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars (\$56,850) to refurbish the body of the 1998 Freightliner Fire Truck - Engine 1. *Majority vote required. Both the Select Board and the Budget Committee recommend this Article.*

Motion to move by Harry Nelson and seconded by Ellen Clement. Harry spoke to the Article stating that the money is to refurbish the back body, frame, rail and everything of the truck. It is the first Engine out to fires and they really like the truck, but the body from the cab on back is in disrepair and needs to be refurbished. Bob Ball asked what the impact of not doing this for an additional 12 months would be. Nelson stated that the salt and the roads have done a number on the body. It is not in Total disrepair, but we need to do it now before it is. We bought this truck new in 1998 and we are very happy with the truck. We shouldn't need to purchase a new truck for 10-15 years if we take care of this one now. In his opinion this is will be money well spent. Melissa Hoffmann asked if that includes the transmission, engine, etc. Nelson stated that no, the quote is 10-15 years for the body only. She asked if there was any money in the Firefighter's Account for this. Nelson stated that the Firefighter's Association has contributed \$87,000 in the years 2002-2011 toward equipment for the firefighters, etc., so they do contribute to offset the amount we need to raise by taxes, but no, not any to put toward this. Capital Reserve Fund has \$16,000 in it. Jack Zeller stated that the Select Board felt that this is basic maintenance. A new truck would cost \$300,000 to \$750,000. This is a maintenance issue to refurbish the truck body. We live in New England where the salt and wet equipment do a number on the equipment and this is where they store their equipment. This is not to say that the transmission or engine will go, but it is maintenance like we do on our cars, where there is no guarantee on the rest of the motor either. This is very reasonable and necessary so we can keep this truck up and running properly. Wes Staples asked if they need to replace trucks every 20 years anyway. Nelson stated that it is now 30 years. The mileage is not that high. Jon Loundsbury asked how long the truck will be out of commission and Nelson replied 4-5 months.

ARTICLE 5 PASSES WITH HAND VOTE YES 62, NO 26

ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of no more than thirty seven thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$37,750) to purchase a new dump body and hydraulic lines for the 2001 International Highway Truck. *Majority vote required. Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article.*

Article 6 moved by G. Russell Austin and seconded by Ellen Clement. Jack Zeller spoke to the Article stating that Gary would not be at Town Meeting tonight and so in meeting with him this afternoon, he stated that after further analyzing the situation, the Town will need to replace two trucks in the next four to five years, so that they will need to replace the 2001 truck in two to three years and the 2004 in four to five years. It really makes no sense to spend \$37,000 plus on the 2001 body now if we are going to replace it that soon. It is a bit embarrassing, but we are asking that you vote this Article down and next year put extra money into the Capital Reserve Fund toward a new truck to replace this one.

ARTICLE 6 defeated by VOICE VOTE.

***ARTICLE 7:** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of eighteen thousand nine hundred and fifty-two dollars (\$18,952) to purchase two generators; one for the Town Hall and one for the Fire Department. The cost of the project will be partially funded by a grant of eight thousand four hundred and seventy-six dollars (\$8,476) from the State of New Hampshire. The remaining cost of ten thousand four hundred and seventy-six dollars (\$10,476) represents the town share of the generators (\$8,476) and two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for the initial purchase of propane and will be raised by taxation. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:3, VI & 32:7, IV for as long as the money remains available under the rule of the granting entity (state of NH). *Majority vote required. Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article.*

Motion moved by G. Russell Austin and seconded by Bob Ball. Bill Chase spoke to the Article stating that one generator would be placed at the Town Hall and the other at the Fire Department. These are permanently stationed generators costing \$8,500 each. FEMA will provide one half of the funding. One of the applications is approved and the other application is still pending. The extra \$2,000 is for the propane tanks and to fill both tanks. Austin asked why do we need two if the buildings are so close together. Chase stated that because each building receives their power from different poles. Bob Ball asked if there will be sufficient Kilowatts for the meetings of all concerned. Chase stated that the one at the school runs the Kitchen and all the rest of the school on theirs. Dawn Lincoln stated that she is against it as it is a lot of money and the Emergency Shelter is at the school anyway. Perry Sawyer asked if this is FEMA money and stated that Walpole got their generator and then their Electric Bill went up substantially. Chase stated that this generator does not require to be heated as it is not diesel, it is run by propane, so when it is not in use, there is no extra cost. Question was if there is a generator at the school, why do we need one at the Town Hall and the Fire Department. Jack Zeller stated that he is for this article. The one FEMA wanted us to have was \$50,000. If we have a major emergency, the Town still needs to function so the Town Hall and Fire Station need to have one too. They did look into other ones, but the cost is

so much more (with Power Generator fees), but these are residential ones and do not need to be kept plugged in. Gary Dermott stated that we have no generators now and the Town can still run, unless this is a mandate, why is there all of a sudden a necessity? Is it just because of funding. Can we not get by without if it is just because the money is supposedly here now? Zeller stated that it is not absolutely necessary, but it is prudent and wise the way the world is now. If we have an emergency we still need to function. We still need to make and accept phone calls in the Town Hall and the Fire Station needs to have capabilities to function there as well. The world will not go up in smoke but it makes sense in this century to go ahead and be prepared for emergency.

ARTICLE 7 voted in the AFFIRMATIVE by HAND VOTE YES 52, No 40.

*ARTICLE 8: To see if the town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a new roof on the Library and to raise and appropriate the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4,000) to be placed in this fund. *Majority vote required. Both the Select Board and Budget Committee recommend this Article.*

Motion moved by Bruce Clement and Seconded by David Leinster. G. Russell Austin stated that within a couple of years the Library building will need a new roof. Ted Ferguson gave a quote wit standing seam of \$24,000. The Library has \$12,000 in their account and if we place \$4,000 in the Capital Reserve for this purpose, in three years we will have the money.

ARTICLE 8 voted in the AFFIRMATIVE by VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE 9: To see what disposition the Town will vote to make of the income from the Jotham Lord Fund. This money(\$50) is included in the proposed operating budget. *Majority vote required.*

Motion made by Bruce Clement and seconded by Ellen Clement to give the funds to the Town Library. Patrick Bakers stated that he would like it brought to attention that if anyone would like to add to any of the Trust Funds, all is welcome. "Good deeds can be done by contributions to Trust Funds."

ARTICLE 9 voted in the AFFIRMATIVE by VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE 10: To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) toward the replacement of the River Road North Bridge, with said funds to come from the unreserved fund balance. No amount to be raised from taxation. *Majority vote required.*

Motion moved by G. Russell Austin and seconded by Patricia Bentrup. G. Russell Austin spoke to the article stating that this is for two small projects and the one big project which is the bridge. The two smaller bridges will get underway soon. First is cleaning the debris etc and the second, which will need to wait for the weather to be a little better is stablizing the banks, etc. These are funded by the USDA grants which

means 3/4 from the grants, 1/4 from the Town. Nothing is to come from taxation as DRA granted us permission to use \$100,000 of Surplus we have and the other \$35,000 will come from the fund we have set up. Wes Staples suggested Austin tell the Town what the bridge is costing. Austin said \$44,000 for engineering and \$413,177 for the actual bridge. 3/4 to come from FEMA, 1/4 from the Town. This will make the bridge 25' long instead of 22' and the bridge will be wider than the one it's replacing. Wes Staples has a copy of the plans if anyone wishes to see them.

ARTICLE 10 VOTED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE BY VOICE VOTE.

The Moderator stated that there were some information things that needed to be addressed at this time. Jo Ann LaBarre stated that she has a list if one would like to have their name added for the emailing of notices regarding meetings, transfer station closings, minutes, etc. Harry Nelson has passed around information on the Reverse 911 to get notices. Home telephones (land line) are already on, but if one wishes to have one's cell phones on as well, one may register for that. Jack Zeller stated that the Select Board has been getting thousands of calls regarding questions regarding closing our landfill. They have been crunching numbers and said the Town pays \$85,000 to \$90,000 to keep the transfer station open. The Town does get some of the money back in recycling. Whether the Transfer Station closes or remains open is up to the Voters of the Town, it is Not a Select Board issue. G. Russell Austin stated that at the Hearing prior to the Town Meeting there were questions regarding paying the Road Agent overtime. It is State Law to pay overtime to the Road Agent if he is an Elected Road Agent. Appointed Road Agents, which ours is, are allowed overtime pay.

*ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will vote to require that the duties of the major boards/commissions of the town (ie Selectmen, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Planning Board, and Conservation Commission) include that each board/commission, at their customary meetings, review the current minutes of each of the other major boards/commissions of the town, as specified above, in order that they be equally informed, and therefore can most efficiently and effectively serve the town's residents and preserve taxpayer's monies.

Motion moved by Walter Bunszel and seconded by Carrie Staples. Patricia Rodrigues spoke to the Article stating that there needs to be accountability and transparency from all of the Boards as to promote true democracy through the Right-to-Know law. This is a requirement for all public documents to be available. Jo Ann LaBarre is diligent in posting to the Town Web-site the minutes to give those access for our Town needs. I ask that the Town do this one thing, if it had been acted upon in June of 2013, the neighborhood letter regarding the Graves gravel pit, I would not have been taking the Town to Court to take the Town to task. Jack Zeller stated that he is all for transparency and open minutes for all boards and believes this particular issue leading to litigation against the Town is primarily against the Zoning Board. At this time he urges the voters to vote No. Bob Moore, Jr. Stated that he has served on several boards in town and that most people are happy and that they do the best they can, but to have a mandate for all of the board members to read all of the other boards minutes is too much. There is an old

saying that "You can lead a horse to water, but you can't make him drink. And you can send a boy to college, but you can't make him think." Marshall Patmos spoke to the Article stating that it is a good premise that the boards should all be informed of what the other boards are doing, but not mandate. He recommends voting No. David Marazoff stated that he is all for transparency but these are not well-paying positions and these people are appointed and volunteering their time, and to make them spend 2-3 hours to read through the other minutes before even starting their own board meeting is a bit much, especially when all you have to do is go to the Transfer Station on Saturday morning and you can catch up on all the latest issues in town. To require this is overkill and if someone has an issue with this and want to mandate this, it is sad.

ARTICLE 11 was DEFEATED by VOICE VOTE.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to urge that the New Hampshire State Legislature join nearly 500 municipalities and 16 other states, including all other New England states, in calling upon Congress to move forward a constitutional amendment that guarantees the right of our elected representatives and the American people to safeguard fair elections through authority to regulate political spending, and clarifies that constitutional rights were established for people, not corporations. That the New Hampshire Congressional delegation support such a constitutional amendment. That the New Hampshire State Legislature support such an amendment once it is approved by Congress and sent to the State for ratification.

Motion was moved by Medora Hebert and Seconded by Ernest Hebert. Medora Hebert spoke to the Article asking the Town to support overturning of the Supreme Court's decision which is crucial for citizens to have a true democracy. The people aren't being heard because of torrents of money--dark money--and our legislators should not be subject to this. This is responsible for the attack ads we see. Gary Dermott that he is not in favor for voting to ratify something that is not a worded document. Once it goes through the process, the final amendment may be different than what we are thinking it all is about. We shouldn't be just be voting on something we don't know the true script. Perry Sawyer stated that he agrees with Gary. There are so many questions involved and where does one draw the line as to who is what. He urged the voters , along with Dermott, to vote against the Article until, if it becomes one, a constitutional amendment in a final form. Tim Thompson stated that the article is trying to get big money out of politics. Our Legislatures and Congress are spending more time on fundraisers than listening to the people and what they have to say and they are selling their souls for big money. The power needs to go back to the people. Marshall Patmos stated that he agrees with the premise, but we need to do other things to change this problem. Hebert stated that the Constitution is a living document, and the people are losing their voices.

ARTICLE 12 DEFEATED by HAND VOTE. YES 46, NO 50.

ARTICLE 13: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting. Moderator R. Bruce Smith asked that all the people who have served on any committee, commission or board for the Town to please stand. He said that we are very fortunate to

have these people in Town willing volunteer and to serve the Town. These people were given a round of Applause. Motion to adjourn Meeting at 8:40 pm by Wesley Staples, Seconded by Patricia Bentrup .

ARTICLE 13 VOTED in the AFFIRMATIVE by VOICE VOTE

Unapproved Minutes. To be approved at the next Annual Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindi H. Adler
Westmoreland Town Clerk

FINANCIAL REPORT - BALANCE SHEET

For the Year Ending December 31, 2014

Assets

Cash in Hand of Treasurer		\$52,958.29
Cash Investments		1,319,558.91
Cash Conservation Fund		66,940.21
Cash Capital Reserve Funds		192,416.68
Unredeemed Taxes:	Levy of 2013	29,576.07
	Prior	10,845.37
Uncollected Taxes:	Property Taxes - 2014	143,892.00
Less Allowance for Refunds & Abatements		(7,690.00)
Long-term Debt		23,250.00
TOTAL ASSETS		\$1,831,747.53

Liabilities & Fund Equity

Liabilities:

School Tax Payable		1,231,253.00
Special Revenue Fund:	Conservation	66,940.21
Reserved Accounts:	Cemetery Stone Repair	1,068.00
	Bridge Repair	2,500.00
	Town Hall Wall Repair/Paint	3,575.00
	Makinen Road Bridge	8,539.00
	Total Reserved Accounts	15,682.00
Capital Reserve Funds:	Bridge Reconstruction (2002)	71,744.23
	Fire Equipment (1982)	16,020.46
	Highway Equipment (1982)	15,404.81
	Municipal Land Purchase (2006)	74,440.97
	Town Hall Clock (2009)	3,057.09
	Financial Audit (2012)	7,069.84
	Recreation (1975)	679.28
	Library (2014)	4,000.00
	Total Capital Reserve Funds	192,416.68
Other Payables:	Cultural Arts Donation	2,624.59
	Planning Board Escrow	949.68
	Total Other Payables	3,574.27
Long-term Notes:	Savings Bank of Walpole - Truck	23,250.00
Total Liabilities		1,533,116.16
Fund Equity:		
	Unassigned Fund Balance: 2014	85,804.35
	Unassigned Fund Balance: Prior	212,827.02
Total Fund Equity		298,631.37
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITIES		\$1,831,747.53

INVENTORY VALUATION

Residential Land	46,831,100
Residential Building	109,172,300
Current Use Land	1,716,872
Commercial Land	5,781,500
Commercial Buildings	8,821,900
Manufactured Buildings	474,600
Public Utilities	1,959,700
NET VALUE PRIOR TO EMEPTIONS	174,757,972
Exemptions to Value	200,000
NET VALUATION FOR COMPUTATION ON TAX RATE	\$174,557,972

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Fire Department – Land and Buildings	609,200
Town Hall – Furniture and Equipment	251,000
Library - Land and Buildings	319,100
Library - Contents	145,000
Police Department Equipment	3,000
Fire Department – Contents	126,000
Highway Department – Land and Building	193,600
Highway Department – Contents	135,000
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	140,700
School – Land and Buildings	2,072,800
Historical Land, Buildings	148,700
Transfer Station – Land and Buildings	120,500
Misc. Land (9 properties)	167,700
Cemeteries (9)	
TOTAL	\$4,432,300

APPROPRIATIONS, TAXES ASSESSED & TAX RATE

Executive	\$68,547
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	27,494
Financial Administration	38,843
Legal Expense	5,000
Personnel Administration	107,427
Planning & Zoning	2,600
General Government Building	22,933
Cemeteries	12,000
Insurance	12,577
Police	1,000
Ambulance	39,125
Fire & Rescue	32,065
Building Inspector	1,500
Emergency Management	1,900
Mutual Aid	19,821
Highways & Streets - Admin	132,500
Highways & Streets	424,084
Street Lighting	3,800
Solid Waste Disposal & Recycling	87,887
Health Officer	280
Animal Control	200
Health Agencies	5,200
Welfare Admin & Direct Assistance	5,280
Parks & Recreation	2,000
Library	32,290
Patriotic Purposes	350
Conservation Commission	600
Debt Service	24,065
Capital Outlay	110,802
Capital Reserve Funds	4,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATION - TOWN	\$1,226,170
Less Revenues	492,617
Less Fund Balance voted from surplus	35,000
Less Fund Balance to reduce taxes	25,000
Add-War Service Credits	8,800
Add -Overlay	<u>7,690</u>
NET TOWN APPROPRIATION	690,043
NET LOCAL EDUCATION TAX	2,102,831
STATE EDUCATION TAX	428,422
COUNTY TAX ASSESSMENT	<u>575,717</u>
TOTAL TOWN, SCHOOL, COUNTY	\$3,797,013
Less-War Service Credits	<u>8,800</u>
TOTAL TAX COMMITMENT	\$3,788,213
NET LOCAL SCHOOL BUDGET	\$3,697,312
Less-ADEQUATE EDUCATION GRANT	676,873
Less-STATE EDUCATION TAX	<u>428,422</u>
	\$2,592,017
2014 Tax Rate	
School - Local	\$12.05
School - State	\$2.48
County	\$3.30
Town	<u>\$3.95</u>
	\$21.78

TREASURER'S REPORT FISCAL YEAR 2014

Checking Account Balance - January 1, 2014	\$146,737.87
Activity:	
plus receipts	4,861,271.58
less payments	4,990,051.16
plus investment cash flow	<u>35,000.00</u>
Balance December 31, 2014:	\$52,958.29

Investment Account Balance - January 1, 2014	\$1,352,669.85
plus transfers in	2,441,890.92
less transfers out	<u>2,475,001.86</u>
Balance December 31, 2014:	\$1,319,558.91

Distribution of Cash-on-Hand General Fund Accounts:

TDBanknorth Checking	\$52,958.29
TDBanknorth Investment Account	\$1,318,714.89
MBIA Investment Account	<u>\$844.02</u>
Total Cash-on-Hand 12/31/14	\$1,372,517.20

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS - 2014

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Interfund Transfers In:	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Func	2,135.32
Bridge CR - NRCS Projects	14,011.18
Bridge CR - Makinen Permits	4,734.01
Jotham Lord Trust Fund	<u>42.89</u>
	\$20,923.40

Insurance Dividends/Reimbursements:

Worker's Compensation	6,420.00
Health Insurance	<u>5,543.27</u>
	\$11,963.27

Other Misc. Revenue:

Town History Book Sales	205.00
Planning Board Escrow	1,000.00
Copies & Postage	<u>173.71</u>
	\$1,378.71

TOTAL ALL RECEIPTS

\$4,861,271.58

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS - 2014

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Executive Office:	
Town Administrator	52,923.04
Selectmen	6,000.00
Trustees of Trust Funds	180.00
IT Service	75.00
Tax Maps	852.66
Printing	1,150.45
Dues	1,439.50
Notices	305.29
Equipment Agreements	306.52
Software Agreements	1,721.28
Supplies	616.43
Postage & PO Fees	730.38
Equipment	804.00
Jotham Lord Fund	42.89
Other	<u>200.00</u>
	\$67,347.44

Financial Administration:

Tax Collector	10,812.00
Tax Collector Fees	1,078.00
Auditor	500.00
Treasurer	1,530.00
Property Assessing	18,000.00
Bank Charges	701.70
Recording Fees	80.03
Dues - Town Clerk	20.00
Dues - Other	45.00
Software Agreements - Tax Collector	1,906.00
Software Agreements - Treasurer	499.31
Tax Collector Supplies	933.60
Treasurer Supplies	268.91
Postage - Tax Collector	1,759.39
Postage - Treasurer	<u>490.00</u>
	\$38,623.94

Election, Registration & Vital Statistics:

Town Clerk	5,929.26
Town Clerk Fees	15,246.50
Election Fees - Town Clerk	150.00
Election Fees - Moderator	75.00
Election Fees - Supervisors	510.00
Election Fees - Ballot Clerks	320.00
Town Clerk Telephone	808.92
Printing	383.85
Town Clerk Dues	40.00
Notices	524.96
Election Day Dinners	646.47
Town Clerk Supplies	626.27
Postage	1,105.72
Town Clerk Publications	208.95
Licenses- Dog/Marriage	853.66
Vital Statistics	191.00
Town Clerk Workshops	<u>104.36</u>
	\$27,724.92

Personnel Administration:

Health Insurance	62,241.80
Dental Insurance	4,443.84
FICA	18,017.51
Medicare	4,213.79
Retirement	<u>20,079.16</u>
	\$108,996.10

Planning & Zoning:

Clerk Fees	565.00
Notices	281.11
Supplies	<u>250.60</u>
	\$1,096.71

Cemeteries:

\$10,932.00

Legal Expenses:

Attorney Fees	\$4,852.18
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Treasurer's Report, continued

General Government Buildings:

Custodian	4,923.03
Telephone	1,200.22
Electricity	1,404.83
Heating Fuel	2,835.48
Propane	92.79
Repairs & Maintenance	5,916.40
Supplies	456.37
Mowing	<u>1,445.00</u>
	\$18,274.12

Insurance Not Allocated/Dept:

Worker's Compensation	6,420.00
Property Insurance	2,208.79
Liability Insurance	2,730.12
Contingency Fund	<u>1,000.00</u>
	\$12,358.91

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

\$290,206.32

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Ambulance Service:	\$39,124.68
Building Inspector:	\$1,888.09
Emergency Management:	
Emg Mgt Director Salary	200.00
Forest Fire Control - Wages	285.90
EOC - Training	191.13
EOC - Supplies	350.38
Forest Fire Control - Misc.	<u>343.07</u>
	\$1,370.48
Mutual Aid Service:	\$19,821.00
Fire & Rescue Departments:	
Fire Chief Salary	1,375.00
Firemen Salaries	4,972.52
Telephones/Internet	927.41
Training	2,332.50
Electricity	1,028.02
Heating Fuel	3,827.95
E&O Insurance	551.28
Life Insurance	380.00
Vehicle Insurance	2,513.88
Dues	350.00
Office Supplies	570.81
Building Repair/Maintenance	150.00
Radio Repair	131.97
Flow Testing	2,045.00
Vehicle Fuel	1,194.45
Vehicle Repair/Maintenance	2,247.94
Vehicle Inspection/Registration	180.00
Equipment - New	1,627.66
Equipment - Gear	3,764.36
Equipment - Rescue	<u>1,891.20</u>
	\$32,061.95

HIGHWAYS & STREETS:

Uniforms	3,767.07
Telephone	809.28
Drug/Alcohol Testing	124.00
Electricity	1,769.91
Heating Fuel	1,210.00
Hired Equipment	3,418.53
Vehicle Insurance	2,942.58
Dues & Membership	275.00
Notices	91.78
Building Repair/Maintenance	1,818.76
Paving- Asphalt	187,619.35
Paving- Shimming	3,362.85
Salt & Chloride	69,681.04
Sand & Gravel	26,326.38
Vehicle Fuel & Oil	38,572.94
Vehicle Repair/Maintenance	60,844.90
Cutting Edges	7,330.68
Tires	3,890.32
Vehicle Inspection/Registration	150.00
Culverts	3,143.20
Signs	669.46
Other	<u>1,714.02</u>
	\$419,532.05
Highway Administration:	
Temporary Wages	1,647.00
Permanent Wages	<u>132,965.95</u>
	\$134,612.95
Street Lighting	\$3,682.63

TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY:

\$94,266.20

TOTAL HIGHWAYS & STREETS:

\$557,827.63

Treasurer's Report, continued

SANITATION:

Solid Waste Disposal:	
Employee Salaries	22,485.57
Telephone	413.09
Disposal Service - Trucking	16,925.00
Disposal Service - Tonage	41,689.25
Testing Fees	2,400.00
Electricity	639.18
Dues	311.50
Supplies	466.86
Building Repairs	3,020.24
Other	<u>375.00</u>

TOTAL SANITATION: \$88,725.69

CULTURE & RECREATION:

Park & Recreation:	
Mowing	1,275.00
Patriotic Purposes	<u>279.55</u>
	\$1,554.55

Library:	
Library Salaries	24,478.02
Appropriation	<u>7,811.98</u>
	\$32,290.00

TOTAL CULTURE & REC: \$33,844.55

CONSERVATION:

Dues	242.00
Other	97.28

TOTAL CONSERVATION: \$339.28

TOTAL TOWN OPERATING EXPENSES: \$1,191,488.33

OTHER EXPENSES

Refund of Property Tax	3,678.08
Overpayment of Property Tax	4,164.00
Cultural Art Donation - Curtains	375.41
Planning Board Escrow	50.32
Recycling Center Shed Donation	1,871.50
County Taxes	575,717.00
School District	2,578,715.00

Reserved from 2013:	
Cemetery Stone Repair	975.50
Highway Truck	51,726.50

TOTAL OTHER EXPENSES: 3,798,562.83

GRAND TOTAL ALL PAYMENTS \$4,990,051.16

HEALTH:

Health Officer Salary	200.00
Animal Control	10.00
Agencies & Services	<u>5,000.00</u>
	\$5,210.00

WELFARE:

Welfare Officer Salary	200.00
Direct Assistance	<u>1,354.90</u>
	\$1,554.90

TOTAL HEALTH & WELFARE: \$6,764.90

DEBT SERVICE:

Principal - Highway Truck	23,250.00
Interest	813.72

TOTAL DEBT SERVICE: \$24,063.72

CAPITAL OUTLAY:

Fire Truck Restore/Refurbish	56,850.00
Generator - Fire Department	9,018.31
River Road North Bridge Replacement	23,661.73

TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY: \$89,530.04

TRANSFERS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:

Library	4,000.00
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TRANSFERS TO TRUST/AGENCY FUNDS:

Conservation	1,920.00
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Makinen Road Bridge Permits	4734.01
Taxes Bought By Town	44,266.39

Grants-NH/Fema:	
NRCS - Debris Clean-up	23,964.56
NRCS - Bank Stabilization	33,958.62
July '13 Flood - Road Repairs	4,659.92
July '13 Flood - Bridge Repair	456,106.02

Reserved from 2013:	
Town Hall Ceilings	8,500.00
Town Garage Building Repairs	5,100.00

STATUS OF ACCOUNTS IN HANDS OF TREASURER

New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool (MBIA)

Balance - January 1, 2014	\$844.02
Plus Deposits in 2014	\$0.00
Plus Interest Earned in 2014	\$0.00
Less Withdrawals in 2014	<u>\$0.00</u>
Balance - December 31, 2014	\$844.02

TDBanknorth Investment Account

Balance - January 1, 2014	\$1,351,825.83
Plus Deposits in 2014	\$2,440,000.00
Plus Interest Earned in 2014	\$1,890.92
Less Withdrawals in 2014	\$2,475,000.00
Less Service Charges in 2014	<u>\$1.86</u>
Balance - December 31, 2014	\$1,318,714.89

Conservation Commission Account

Balance - January 1, 2014	\$65,007.80
Plus Deposits in 2014	\$1,920.00
Plus Interest Earned in 2014	\$12.41
Less Withdrawals in 2014	<u>\$0.00</u>
Balance - December 31, 2014	\$66,940.21

LOANS OUTSTANDING

Highway Truck - Savings Bank of Walpole

Date of Loan - 12/19/2013
Maturity of Loan - 12/19/15
Amount of Loan - \$46,500
Rate of Loan - 1.75%
Payment per year - \$23,250 plus interest
Amount owed on loan (as of 1/1/15) - \$23,250

Respectfully Submitted,

Jo Ann LaBarre

Treasurer

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Summary of Tax Accounts – Fiscal Year Ending December, 31, 2014

DEBITS

	2014	2013	2012	Prior
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Fiscal Year				
Property Taxes		185,199.40		
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
 Taxes Committed This Year				
Property Taxes	3,787,672.00			
Land Use Change	3,840.00			
Yield Taxes	21,322.40			
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yard	3,021.12			
 Overpayment Refunds				
Property Taxes	6,689.00			
Interest – Late Tax	1,321.87	9,386.01		
TOTAL DEBITS	3,823,866.39	194,585.41		

CREDITS

Remitted to Treasurer				
Property Taxes	3,647,944.00	144,567.40		
Land Use Change	3,840.00			
Yield Taxes	21,322.40			
Interest	1,321.87	9,386.01		
Excavation Tax	3,021.12			
Conversion to Lien		37,599.53		
 Uncollected Taxes				
Property Taxes	146,417.00			
TOTAL CREDITS	3,823,866.39	194,585.41		

DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy 2013	2012	Prior Levies	
			2011	2010
Unredeemed Liens				
At Beg of Fiscal Year		19,154.61	4,249.11	258.76
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	44,266.39			
Interest Collected	1,183.86	2,616.88	498.88	- 17.84
TOTAL DEBITS	45,450.25	21,771.49	4,747.99	240.92

CREDITS

	Last Year's Levy 2013	2012	Prior Levies	
			2011	2010
Remitted To Treasurer				
Redemptions	14,690.32	10,398.15	2,160.20	258.76
Interest	1,183.86	2,616.88	498.88	-17.84
Abatements				
Unredeemed Liens Balance				
End of Year	29,576.07	8,756.46	2,088.91	
TOTAL CREDITS	45,450.25	21,771.49	4,747.99	240.92

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Receipts</u>	<u>Total Available</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Unexpended Balance/Overdraft</u>
4130 Executive	\$68,547	\$217	\$68,764	\$67,347	\$1,417
4140 Elec. Reg. VS	27,494	4,340	31,834	27,725	4,109
4150 Financial Admin	38,843	390	39,233	38,626	607
4153 Legal Expenses	5,000		5,000	4,852	148
4155 Personnel Admin	107,427	5,543	112,970	108,996	3,974
4191 Planning & Zoning	2,600	576	3,176	1,097	2,079
4194 Gov't. Buildings	22,933		22,933	21,849	1,084
4195 Cemeteries	12,000	2,135	14,135	12,000	2,135
4196 Insurance not Allocated	12,577	6,420	18,997	12,359	6,638
4210 Police	1,000		1,000	0	1,000
4215 Ambulance	39,125		39,125	39,125	0
4220 Fire & Rescue	32,065		32,065	32,062	3
4240 Building Inspec.	1,500	1,888	3,388	1,888	1,500
4290 Emergency Mgt.	1,900	504	2,404	1,371	1,033
4299 Mutual Aid	19,821		19,821	19,821	0
4311 Highway Admin.	132,500		132,500	134,613	(2,113)
4312 Highway & Streets	424,084	3,194	427,278	419,532	7,746
4316 Street Lighting	3,800		3,800	3,683	117
4324 Transfer Station	87,887	10,490	98,377	88,726	9,651
4411 Health Administration	280		280	200	80
4414 Animal Control	200		200	10	190
4415 Health Agencies	5,200		5,200	5,000	200
4441 Welfare Administration	280		280	200	80
4442 Direct Assistance	5,000	210	5,210	1,355	3,855
4520 Parks & Rec.	2,000		2,000	1,275	725
4550 Library	32,290		32,290	32,290	0
4583 Patriotic Purposes	350		350	280	70
4611 Conservation	600		600	2,259	261
4711 Debt. Service	23,250	1,920	23,250	23,250	0
4721 Interest-Long Term	814		814	814	0
4723 Interest on TAN	1		1	0	1
4902 Fire Truck Refurbish	56,850		56,850	56,850	0
4909 Fire Dept Generator	18,952	4,159	23,111	9,018	14,093
4909 River Rd Bridge	35,000	25,289	60,289	23,662	36,627
4915 Capital Reserve Funds	4,000		4,000	4,000	0
TOTALS	\$1,226,170	\$67,275	\$1,293,445	\$1,196,133	\$97,312

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Westmoreland Zoning Board meets on the third Wednesday of the months when applications for a Variance or Special Exception are submitted to the Board by the first business day of that month. Notices of hearings are posted at the Town Hall and the Westmoreland Post Office and appear in the Public Notice section of The Keene Sentinel at least five days before a hearing. Abutters to the properties in the applications are notified by certified mail.

The Board heard the following applications in 2014:

February 26, 2014: The Board voted 5-0 to grant a Special Exception to Darren and Judy Horn to operate a winery and restaurant at their property located at 719 Route 12, Map R-14 Lot 42, formerly known as The Summit Gift House subject to the following conditions:

1. The winery, restaurant, and gift shop will be within the current building.
2. The hours will be within the hours of 7:00 am to 11:00pm seven days a week.
3. All permits will be in place before the business is open.

June 18, 2014: The Board voted 5-0 to applicants, Jim and Michelle Larkin, for a second one year extension for completion of phase one for the reconstruction and landscaping of their property located at 852 Rte 12, Westmoreland; Map R14 Lot 34 in the Commercial/ Industrial district.

November 19, 2014: The board voted 5-0 to grant a Special Exception to Heidi Watts to add an accessory dwelling unit (ADU) to a one family house with no change to the footprint of the house. The property is located at 68 Mt. Gilboa Road, Map R-14, Lot 8, with the following condition: The property has a state approved septic design.

The Board also voted 5-0 to continue a hearing on an application by Deb Perry and James Szuch for a Variance from the setback requirements as stated in Table 505 of the Westmoreland Zoning Ordinances, to obtain a Building Permit for a new house on their property located at 22 Ferry Road on Map R-11, Lot 12 in the Rural Residential District. Accurate measurements of the proposed house site and septic system needed to be made.

December 17, 2014: The Board voted 5-0 to continue the hearing on the above Perry/Szuch application for a second time as inclement weather had not allowed a survey of the property to be made.

AUDIT REPORT

This is to certify that I have examined and audited the accounts of the Town of Westmoreland: Financial Records, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Trustees of the Trust Funds, Town Clerk and Library for the year 2013.

I find them to be correct and properly vouched.

Recommendations: Tax Collector & Town Clerk deposit records should be stated separately.

Completed reports are on file with the Selectmen.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Zeller
Auditor

WESTMORELAND PUBLIC LIBRARY



a friend indeed.....

We dedicate this year's Annual Library Report to our long time friend and Trustee Pete Longsjö. For the past twelve years Pete has given countless hours to the support and care of the Library. No job was too small or too big. He has been sort of our own personal tooth fairy. Things just always seemed to somehow magically get done overnight; on snowy days like the one pictured at left, the walk was shoveled and the driveway cleared before the first of our patrons or staff arrived. The lawn was always tidy, the bushes trimmed, and never a leaf in sight. He shopped for supplies, washed windows, fixed broken fixtures, prepared gingerbread houses for the youngest of our patrons and served tirelessly as Chair of our Board of Trustees. Pete and his wife Sue left Westmoreland earlier this year to move closer to their daughter and her family. We thank him and wish him many sunny days at the lake with his grandchildren.

Westmoreland Public Library Annual Report 2014

• Patrons

The library was open 152 days last year. 3443 patrons visited us during that time, 41 of whom were first time visitors to the library. **In-library use:** 212 patrons used our in-house services, including 93 who used our public computer, 31 came to access our wireless service, and 55 used our copy and fax machine.

• Circulation

3,800 items circulated from our permanent collection last year. We borrowed 586 books from other libraries for our patrons, and we loaned 159 books from our stacks to other libraries. **Acquisitions:** We added 243 new books to our collection this year, 32 of which we received as donations. In addition we added 122 items of mixed media including audio books, magazines and videos.

• Gifts

We received many generous gifts throughout the year, but none more important than the gift of time from our volunteers. This year we have also received a number of memorial donations and gifts of books and magazine subscriptions.

As always, many thanks to all who have shared their talents, resources, time and love of books with us this year, and a special thank you to our Board of Trustees chaired by Louise Slayton.

Respectfully submitted,

Jayne Burnett
Library Director

Westmoreland Public Library
Statement of Activities
For the 12 Months Ended December 31, 2014

	Town Funds	Memorial & Fundraising	Total
Town Appropriation	32,290.00		32,290.00
Jotham Lord Fund	42.89		42.89
Restricted Gifts	0.00	1,040.00	1,040.00
Trustee of Trust Funds	0.00	498.08	498.08
Book Sales & Fundraising	0.00	362.60	362.60
Contributions	0.00	362.00	362.00
Interest	0.00	10.09	10.09
Other (copier, late fees)		42.00	42.00
Total Cash Inflows	32,332.89	2,314.77	34,647.66
Payroll	24,478.02	0.00	24,478.02
Books/Periodicals	3,100.00	730.89	3,830.89
Program Expenses	0.00	435.70	435.70
Supplies & Postage	969.83	0.00	969.83
Utilities	5,899.58	0.00	5,899.58
Computer Expenses	125.00	738.00	863.00
Equipment & Repairs	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dues & Registration	30.00	0.00	30.00
Building Maintenance	142.98	0.00	142.98
Total Cash Outflows	34,745.41	1,904.59	36,650.00
Net Cash from Operations	-2,412.52	410.18	-2,002.34
Balance 1/1/14	0.00	23,165.07	23,166.07
Net Cash From Operations	-2,412.52	410.18	-2,002.34
SBW Checking Balance 12/31/14	-2,412.52	23,575.25	21,163.73

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014

Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$275,965.00
State Motor Vehicle Fees – Agent	5,702.50
State Motor Vehicle Fees – To Town	1,140.50
Title Application fees	704.00
Dog Licenses - Tag	1,808.00
Dog Licenses - Group	200.00
Vital Statistics Research/Requests	400.00
Marriage Licenses	135.00
UCC and Other Filing Fees	531.00
Returned Check Fees	360.00
TOTAL COLLECTED BY TOWN CLERK	\$286,946.00

Westmoreland Park Hill Meeting House & Historical Society

Our Society has had another busy year when we again presented six programs. They were on the following subjects: early town history, Town Meetings, underwater finds in the Connecticut River, old cellar holes in Westmoreland (did you know there are over 70?), memories of military service in Korea by David Bailey, as well as a Paranormal investigation of our historic buildings.

Everyone is invited and always most welcome to attend our free programs.

At the Annual Meeting in July Richard High was elected Co-Director and John Harris has taken the position of Corner School Property Manager so we again have all positions filled.

We have had the exterior of the Corner School house painted by Perry Edson and it looks great! This was accomplished with the combined funding from the 2014 Town Budget and the Society's matching contribution which was the interest on funds left to us many years ago by the Men's Club when it disbanded. Our next step in the ongoing preservation of that building is to determine the condition of the underpinning timbers where some deterioration is evident. A railing has been installed on the front steps to further provide for handicapped access.

Due to the extensive work of Walter Carroll, with some help from Jan Hurley and Sydney Fitzgerald an application was made and another LCHIP Grant received (3rd), this time for \$27,936. Work is expected to be done on the steeple this Spring.

The usual number of Newsletters were published and mailed to our over one-hundred member households.

The Annual Tag Sale was held on the traditional Saturday before Labor Day, and proved again to be a worthwhile effort. We hope to continue this in 2015.

Our Society continues to participate in the Historical Society of Cheshire County's Round Table group and the Austin's home on Poocham Rd. was featured in the Sentinel "The Way We Were" article in December. Another historic home in Westmoreland will be our entry next September. We take this opportunity to encourage all Westmoreland owners of older homes to consider writing one of these articles for submission in the future. Please call Jan at 399-7075 if you have questions.

We participated in the United C.C. summer Yard Sale with a booth on the Common. Several books were sold that day. We continue to offer Ashes to Ashes for \$15.00 and Homes of Westmoreland for \$25.00. (Incidentally, this book contains the addresses including street numbers of each house and is a great reference book now that telephone books are becoming obsolete.)

At the suggestion of Richard High and because we have been offered some very much appreciated volunteer help, the Westmoreland 1st Record Book is being transcribed/digitized. We thank Sam Lagasse, our summer Intern; Deb Stavseth and Lisa O'Neil for helping with this worthwhile project.

(www.Westmorelandhistoricalsociety.org)

RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Recreation Committee works to keep our ball fields and other public recreation spaces in good shape. We met at the Town Hall on Tuesday, the 16th of September to discuss any issues that may have arisen over the past year. Dave Bressett, Mark Hayward and Susie Harris welcomed new member, Lisa Huckins. We discussed the condition of the East Westmoreland ball field and the basketball court and both seem to be in fine shape. We also discussed the poor condition of the tennis court and the need for resurfacing. Vermont Tennis Resurfacing, the company the town hired the last time (2007) we needed the court repaired, has been contacted. We hope to have funds appropriated to have repairs done in 2015.

TOWN HALL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

The Town Hall Improvement Committee works to make improvements to the building while maintaining its historical character. Most improvements are small-scale and done by the committee and some other volunteers, while larger tasks are done with full Select Board involvement. To be accountable for its work, the committee maintains an active list of tasks with costs. The list shows that about 55 tasks have been completed and about 45 potential tasks remain.

Energy improvements have reduced the cost of heating oil, electricity, and propane purchases by \$10,000 since the committee started in 2011. These savings will continue into the future.

In the past year, safety was improved by volunteers on the cellar stairs by replacing broken stair treads and installing railings, the historical plaque was renewed, and abandoned wires in the hallway were removed.

Volunteers for "hands-on" work are always needed. Please contact Dick Schmidt, Chairman (399-4353 or sunrise84@myfairpoint.net) if you would like a copy of our task list or wish to help bring our Town Hall towards first-rate condition prior to, we hope, its 100th birthday celebration in 2016.

We are grateful for the work of Russ Kotfila, our late selectman, for starting the committee to involve volunteers.

HEALTH OFFICER

This has been a quiet year with only one issue concerning sewage that had to be addressed.

OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The year has been light. There were two people who needed public assistance.

BUILDING INSPECTOR

A total of 22 permits were issued in 2014

Single family dwelling	3	Addition	6
Garage	3	Remodel	5
Shed	3	Barn	2

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The NH Department of Emergency Management has initiated an Emergency Notification System for towns to use to send emergency messages to members of the community. This system is also known as Reverse 911. Emergency messages are sent through land line phones. Messages can also go to cell phones if the cell phone owner registers the phone number with the town administrative assistant. JoAnne LaBarre and Harry Nelson are the town's designated operators of the system and have received training by the state.

In response to flooding issues with White Bridge Brook and Mill Brook, officials from the NH Departments of Emergency Management and Environmental Services met with concerned members of the Westmoreland community to discuss the problem and to ascertain if there might be opportunities for mitigation. A follow-up visit was made at the site of the flooding and at the bike path trestle over White Bridge Brook. The message from the state civil engineers was essentially that water in rivers at times of heavy rain will "do what it wants". Mitigation efforts to contain water in one area is likely to have adverse effects on other properties downstream.

Members of the Emergency Advisory Group as well as other members of the Disaster Response Team took the FEMA course on the National Incident Management System and received training in WebEOC, the NH emergency communication system. A group of individuals who are willing to be volunteers in an emergency town shelter took a course on how to operate an emergency shelter, the Red Cross's "Shelter Fundamentals"

The town received a FEMA grant to help fund a permanent generator for the Fire Station. The generator has been installed. We recently submitted a grant application to the NH Department of Emergency Management to update the town's Emergency Operations Plan.

The Deputy Emergency Management Director has recently become licensed as a ham radio operator.

CEMETERY TRUSTEES

There was one cemetery lot sold in 2014.

Stone repair was continued by Wink Savard by repairing three stones that suffered damage through the winter months and 49 stones were repaired in the Gline Cemetery. Stone repair will continue in 2015.

Lots are available for sale in the East and South Village Cemeteries and the North Cemetery has a limited number of lots left. The Cemetery Trustees must be notified of all burials, including cremations, in a town cemetery. This is important so that the burial is done according to regulations and becomes a permanent record of the town. For the mutual protection, respect and benefit of all lot owners, there are restrictions on decorations, enclosures, plants and shrubbery. By-Laws are available from the Cemetery Trustees.

BRIGGS FUND

In 2014, the Briggs Committee met one time and decided that income from the Briggs, Bleeker and Ruth White Funds should be available for use by the school for the benefit of the children, preferably around Christmas time. The School did not draw on these funds in 2014.

FIRE/RESCUE DEPARTMENT

The Department responded to a total of 130 Fire and Rescue calls in 2014.

These calls consumed over 433 person hours. We had two members join the department bringing the total number of members to 20. We had one of our members take a Firefighter 2 class. We are also doing monthly training with the Spofford/Chesterfield Departments. This past year we had a house donated to us to do some live Fire/Rescue training. Westmoreland, Spofford & Chesterfield participated in the day-long training.

In June the Department held its annual Chicken Barbecue. It was a big success for us as we sold out on our chicken and were able to listen to some Great Music from the Westmoreland Town Band.

The Department has applied for three grants to replace some of our aging equipment. One of the grants is thru the Timken Foundation to replace our Self Contained Breathing Apparatus. The other two are thru a Federal Grant for replacing our entire Personal Protective Equipment and all of our radios. All three grants total up to \$250,000.

In 2014 the voters approved money to refurbish one of our engines (36Engine 1). The work was done by Dingee Machine from Cornish, NH. Dingee Machine personnel did a great job. This truck will serve the town for many more years to come.

We are asking all Westmoreland residents to put your house numbers visible from the roadway. This will assist us in getting to Your Emergency in a reasonable amount of time. If you put them on your mailbox, make sure to put them on both sides.

Visitors are always welcome to stop by the Fire Station for a tour and view the apparatus. Any Westmoreland resident interested in becoming a member of the department may join us the third Tuesday of each month at 8:00pm at the Fire Station.

The members of the Westmoreland Fire/Rescue Dept. would like to thank the citizens for their outstanding support again this past year. Our goal is to keep the citizens of Westmoreland safe from harm with professional service. If you have any questions feel free to contact us at 399-9993 or wvfd1@myfairpoint.net.

Respectfully Submitted,
Harry E Nelson
Fire Chief

Month	# Calls	Total # Of Calls
Jan-14	17	17
Feb-14	10	27
Mar-14	9	36
Apr-14	16	52
May-14	13	65
Jun-14	7	72
Jul-14	13	85
Aug-14	7	92
Sep-14	4	96
Oct-14	13	109
Nov-14	12	121
Dec-14	9	130

Type	#of Calls	Total Personnel Hours
AFA Maplewood Nursing Home	3	12:23
AFA Private Residence	4	3:25
Brush Fire	3	33:16
Chimney Fire	3	56:31
CO Detector	4	11:11
Downed Wires/Transformer	9	36:45
Gas / Oil Leak	4	7:29
ME Maplewood Assisted Living	2	4:07
ME Maplewood Nursing Home	7	8:24
ME Private Residence	49	82:48
ME Other	2	4:05
Motor Vehicle Accident	9	44:18
Mutual Aid	8	44:01
Public Assist	11	16:58
Structure Fire	2	47:48
Other	10	20:05
Total	130	433:34

FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands, work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-1370 or www.des.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdfll.org.

This past fire season started in early April with the first reported fire on April 7th. April, which is the traditional start to our spring fire season, began very dry with unseasonably dry conditions continuing through the entire month. This dry pattern continued through the first half of May. 80% of our reported fires this season occurred during this six week period. The largest fire was 24 acres, occurring in the town of Tamworth. From mid May through early September, above average rainfall kept our total acreage burned statewide at 72 acres. This is the smallest amount of acreage burned statewide in several years. Late August through late September though brought a dry trend to northern areas, resulting in several deep-burning remote fires. Our fire danger days correlated well with the days that there were fires actually reported. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on Class III or higher fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire spotting capability was supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2014 season threatened structures, and a few structures were burned, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

2014 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 2014)

(figures do not include fires under the jurisdiction of the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	3.1	5
Carroll	24	4
Cheshire	6.8	7
Coos	5.3	18
Grafton	8.2	32
Hillsborough	6.1	20
Merrimack	15.5	11
Rockingham	1.1	8
Strafford	0.4	5
Sullivan	1.5	2

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

	Total	Fires	Total Acres
Arson	2	2014	112
Debris	52	2013	182
Campfire	10	2012	318
Children	2	2011	125
Smoking	5	2010	360
Railroad	0		145
Equipment	5		
Lightning	1		
Misc.*	35 (*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)		

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

NH RSA 36-A, provides a Conservation Commission with the basic purpose to identify, protect and conserve the land and water resources of their community. Charged by RSA 482-A, and RSA 483-B the Commission reviews local wetland applications and, in conjunction with the NH Wetlands Bureau, is involved in the NH Shoreland Protection Act. In addition we have a responsibility in the review process of sand and gravel permitting under RSA 155-E. Information and applications for the activities described are available at the town office, at the town website (www.westmorelandnh.com) or at the NH Department of Environmental Services website (www.des.nh.gov).

In addition to responding to wetland issues as requested and reviewing formal applications, the Commission has worked with the Selectboard, NH Department of Homeland Security Emergency Management Division and the NH Department of Environmental Services regarding flooding issues. We have also reviewed work proposed by the NH Dept of Transportation and NH Trails Bureau

Two of our members are on the Master Plan update committee. A draft Conservation and Preservation section has been prepared and will be hopefully be adopted in the update along with our 2012 Conservation Plan as an appendix..

In cooperation with "Litter Free NH", the Commission sponsored another successful roadside clean-up in April spearheaded by the Westmoreland Lions Club with 31 volunteers participating, collecting 105 bags of trash and other assorted junk from about 20 miles of roads in town. Another clean-up is planned for 2015. Anyone wishing to help is asked to contact the Commission.

The Commission is assisting the Westmoreland Elementary School by providing natural resource materials for general use and for the Nature Club. One of our members is working directly with the students involved.

Our members are active in a number of town and regional committees and often attend a variety of natural resource training and seminars throughout the year.

The Commission meets the first Thursday of the month at 7 PM at the Town Hall. Please contact any of the members about our work or with questions or concerns. Also check the town website for more information. Anyone interested in becoming involved (we have seven full time members and an allowance for any number of alternate members) can contact the Chairman or the Selectmen.

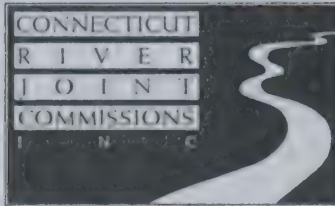
FRIENDLY MEALS/MEALS ON WHEELS

A group of community volunteers serves meals to all people 60+ in the Town Hall on the third Tuesday of the month September through June. The meals are sponsored by Home Healthcare Hospice & Community Services and are prepared and delivered by them under the **Friendly Meal** program. It is an opportunity for seniors in our community to gather, visit and share a meal together. In 2014 volunteers served 236 meals. All are welcome.

Another group of volunteers delivers **Meals on Wheels** for residents of Westmoreland, making the service, also provided by Home Healthcare and Community Services, available to residents in our town. Last year they delivered 1,798 meals in Westmoreland.

Both programs are made possible by the generosity of volunteers, many of whom help with both programs. The local Lions Club assists with the Friendly Meal by helping set up tables and making donations for a monthly free raffle which is much appreciated.

Please contact Paula Page, 399-7085 with questions or information. Thank you to all the volunteers who make these programs possible.



CONNECTICUT RIVER JOINT COMMISSIONS

CRJC's mission is to preserve the visual and ecological integrity and sustainable working landscape of the Connecticut River Valley, and to guide its growth and development through grassroots leadership. Five local river subcommittees carry out this work with a corps of over 100 volunteers.

Education and Engagement:

The Connecticut River Joint Commissions have continued to educate and engage citizens about the River and the economic and environmental health of the entire region in Vermont and New Hampshire. During FY 14 the CRJC meetings offered a series of educational presentations:

- Nature Conservancy River Scientist Katie Kennedy spoke on a river flow model for the Connecticut River watershed.
- US Forest Service Biologist Nancy Ketcham talked about the post- Hurricane Irene river recovery efforts on the White River.
- Commissioner Cleve Kapala provided a report on the status of the FERC relicensing activity and the effects that the closure of Vermont Yankee would have on the process.
- Carol Foss, NH Audubon Society led a discussion about the tar sands oil issue and potential environmental impacts for Northern New England.
- Connecticut River Watershed Council River Steward Ron Rhodes spoke about Clean Water Future's crowd funding to remove invasive species, stabilize a trail and trout stream, and support Paddle with a Purpose aquatic invasives mitigation project.
- Emily Bird of the New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission provided a presentation about the Long Island Sound Total Maximum Daily Load pollution reduction initiative that requires the cooperation of municipalities and citizens along the entire Connecticut River Watershed to accomplish.

Visit our website to view a comprehensive annual report at <http://www.crjc.org> or call 603-727-9484.

Wantastiquet Local River Subcommittee

*New Hampshire – Walpole, Westmoreland, Chesterfield, Hinsdale
Vermont – Westminster, Putney, Dummerston, Brattleboro, Vernon*

The Wantastiquet Local River Subcommittee (WLRS) held meetings on September 5, 2013 and February 19, 2014. In addition to the meetings, the WLRS held a Source to Sea Clean up on October 5, 2013. The team (named the Hellgrammites, because hellgram-mites, the larval stage of a dobsonfly, are an indicator of clean water) worked with the Connecticut River Watershed Council to pick up garbage along the shores of the Connecticut River and its main tributaries. Over 30 volunteers participated and included 19 students from Brattleboro Union and Hinsdale High Schools. Everyone spent about five hours cleaning up the island in the middle of the Connecticut River under the Hinsdale Bridge.

The accumulation of collected trash added up to 28 sacks of recyclable garbage, more than 4 large bags of trash, 2 loveseats, scrap metal, and a lot of abandoned gear from homeless camps. A big "thank you" goes out to the volunteers, and to those who made donations: Bellows House Bakery, Grafton Village Cheese, the Whetstone Station, Green Mountain Orchards, and Steve Skibniowsky for his truck and tent. *Hellgrammites* plan to make this an annual effort, building on our efforts from the previous year.

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Westmoreland Supervisors of the Checklist have gone through some organizational changes in 2014 due to requirements from the NH Secretary of State, specifically the Elections Division. Your three supervisors are Nancy Zeller, Elaine Moore and Sharon Riesenber. We have all successfully completed the *Introduction to ElectioNet Training* in Concord, March 2014. We have implemented the rules and procedures of the election system when accepting, processing and completing voter paperwork and system updates. It has been a learning curve for us but we are working together as a team to keep voter records up to date as required by the state along with a number of other duties required.

For many years, Cindi Adler had kindly shared a corner in the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office, but now the selectmen have offered us a cupboard to store voter records so we can work more efficiently when required in the main room at town hall. This has made our work sessions far more productive and easier for processing. The supervisors meet by law 5-6 times a year at town hall. We also meet between 10-12 times a year for work sessions to process and sort through regular business. Additionally, we are present at town voting day, primary elections, general elections, annual town meetings and annual school board meetings.

Thank you for being patient with us as we continue to get up to speed. We have been stuck between the way it always was and the way it has to be in the elections arena.

2014 was a mid-term election year with a US Primary and General Election. In September there were 1250 registered voters in town, 261 republicans, 298 democrats, 691 undeclared.

For the General Election in November, 826 residents voted (66.7% turnout) from a total of 1239 registered voters; 258 republicans, 289 democrats, 692 undeclared.

RECYCLING CENTER

The following information reflects the amount of material taken out of the Transfer Station and income & expenses for recycling:

Waste Disposal	Comingled Recycling Tons	Compactor Tons	Demo Tons
2013	83.62	372.37	39.47
2014	67.66	342.49	42.15



Recycling	Cans Pounds	Cardboard Pounds	Paper Pounds	Light Iron Pounds
2013	3,049	21,580	64,080	19,160
2014	2,833	51,200	59,820	23,140

Income	Recycables	Item Fees
2014	\$3,774	\$3,721

Expense	Trucking
2014	\$3,030

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE NEW RECYCLING CENTER SHED!

PLANNING BOARD

Westmoreland Planning Board members are appointed by the Selectmen. The board holds regular meetings at the Town Hall on the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM. These meetings are open to the public. If anyone has business to bring before the board, they should contact the board's secretary, Alison Fissette, to be put on the agenda. Anything requiring a hearing must be officially noticed which means that the secretary must receive the information 21 days prior to the meeting.

The purpose of the planning board is to guide the development of the town. Decisions are made considering the landowner's rights and desires and balancing this with the intent of the town as shown in the Master Plan and Zoning Ordinances through processes such as subdivision and site plan review. The Zoning Ordinances and booklets listing the necessary steps and applicable ordinances for subdivision or site plan review as well as our board procedures are available in the Selectmen's office and on the town's website. If a resident is planning any changes or construction on any land in town, a call to the Zoning Administrator is the first place to start. This is the best way to find out if any necessary permits or processes are needed. If residents have suggestions for changes for the Zoning Ordinances we encourage you to submit them to the board for consideration. While the board drafts ordinances, it is the residents who vote to determine whether to adopt them during the March ballot vote.

The past year has seen some changes in the board. Laurie Burt has resigned as alternate and Mark Hayward was appointed to fill the alternate role. The board thanks Laurie for her many years of service on the board.

In 2014 there was one lot line adjustment approved, two informational meetings with people who wanted to know about processes for use of their land, and two site visits about potential land use changes.

We also worked on ordinances and submitted proposed changes to the definitions and titles, home based occupations and home based businesses and some adjustments in the Zoning Tables for vote at the annual town meeting. We have marked other ordinances that we will revisit and propose possible adjustments. The Master Plan committee is continuing their work on updating the Master Plan.

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

The trustees met five times during 2014 to administer affairs of the trusts. At year end, Town common trust funds were invested in a CD and in common stocks in an Edward Jones account. The yield on common trust fund assets was 1.0% in 2014 compared to 1.8% in 2013. The yield on capital reserves was 0.58% in 2014 compared to 0.65% in 2013. This is less than inflation and is of concern. Trust fund assets valued at market increased 2.0%.

The trustees' trust fund investment strategy is to maximize both income and assets with prudent investments. Our target yield is 3+%. Our strategy is to become fully invested in high yielding solid common stocks, and not to try to time the market. Capital reserve funds are currently invested in a CD and a money market fund at local banks. The Jotham Lord Fund received three donations in 2014.

Westmoreland, NH
COMMON TRUST FUNDS MS10 2014

Purpose	#	Share	Total share	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			GRAND TOTAL					
				12/31/2013 Balance	Capital Gain/Loss	New funds	Withdrawn	12/31/2014 Balance	Income	Transfer	Expended	12/31/2014 Balance	12/31/2013	12/31/2014	
CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS															
Canoe Meadow Cemetery		0.26%	0.14%	386.35	-2.08	0	0	384.27	14.73	4.12	0	7.55	11.30	401.08	395.57
Chaffee Cemetery	3	0.08%	0.04%	121.27	-0.65	0	0	120.62	113.43	1.29	0	4.42	110.30	234.70	230.92
E.Cemetary Perp. Care.		6.61%	3.48%	9,693.73	-52.29	0	0	9,641.44	462.48	103.37	0	189.41	376.44	10,156.21	10,167.88
Gilne Cemetery	5	3.97%	2.08%	5,828.70	-31.44	50.00	0	5,847.26	2,409.46	62.16	0	155.17	2,316.45	8,238.16	8,163.70
North Cemetery, Gen. Upkeep	12	9.69%	5.11%	14,209.23	-76.65	0	0	14,132.58	352.53	151.52	0	277.76	411.29	14,746.76	14,543.87
North Cemetery, Perpetual Care	6	12.24%	6.45%	17,953.96	-96.85	0	0	17,857.11	862.00	191.45	0	352.52	700.93	18,115.96	18,558.05
Outlying Cemeteries, (Cole)		0.41%	0.22%	606.98	-3.27	0	0	603.71	373.35	6.47	0	22.23	557.59	1,180.33	1,161.30
Praet Cemetery		0.23%	0.12%	331.22	-1.79	0	0	329.43	132.22	3.53	0	6.49	10.26	344.44	339.70
S. Village Cemetery, M. & I.		8.55%	4.51%	12,536.96	-67.63	0	0	12,469.33	484.34	133.69	0	245.26	374.15	13,021.30	12,843.48
S. Village Cemetery, Perp. Care.	9	16.36%	8.62%	23,996.16	-129.44	0	0	23,866.72	1,002.31	255.89	0	485.21	24,998.47	24,659.70	
D. Blood *1997 ETF*		26.05%	13.73%	38,208.37	-206.11	0	0	38,002.26	13,917.50	407.44	0	0	14,324.94	52,125.87	52,327.20
Cemetery Maintenance fund	10	14.75%	7.77%	21,627.11	-116.66	50.00	0	21,560.45	546.13	230.62	0	408.22	368.53	22,173.24	21,928.98
Burial Support fund		0.76%	0.40%	1,111.29	-5.99	0	0	1,105.30	116.57	11.85	0	0	128.42	1,233.72	1,233.72
Edson Perpetual Care		0.04%	0.02%	55.43	-0.30	0	0	54.83	1.51	0.59	0	1.07	1.03	56.64	55.85
Total Cemetery		100.00%	52.71%	146,666.46	-791.16	100.00	0	145,975.30	21,054.56	1,564.00	0	2,135.31	20,483.25	167,721.03	166,458.55
		100.00%	52.71%	146,666.46	-791.16	100.00	0	145,975.30	21,054.56	1,564.00	0	2,135.31	20,483.25	167,721.03	166,458.55
LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS															
Bennett, E. G.	1978	9.73%	1.92%	5,354.48	-28.88	5.39	0	5,330.98	237.47	57.10	5.39	48.48	240.70	5,591.95	5,571.68
Briggs, O.L.	1918	4.12%	0.82%	2,268.38	-12.24	2.28	0	2,258.43	100.59	24.19	2.28	20.54	101.96	2,368.97	2,360.38
Burd, M.W.	1903	1.03%	0.20%	566.93	-3.06	0.57	0	564.44	25.14	6.05	0.57	5.13	25.48	592.07	589.92
Capron, H.F.	1967	2.06%	0.41%	1,134.18	-6.12	1.14	0	1,129.20	50.30	12.09	1.14	10.27	50.98	1,184.48	1,180.19
Cousens H.G.	Library	3.37%	0.67%	1,854.39	-10.00	1.87	0	1,846.25	82.23	19.77	1.87	16.79	83.35	1,936.62	1,929.60
Goodrum, A.M.	Library	0.41%	0.08%	226.83	-1.22	0.23	0	225.83	10.06	2.42	0.23	2.05	10.20	236.89	236.03
Greene, Dorothy P.	Library	10.26%	2.03%	5,643.58	-30.44	5.68	0	5,618.81	250.19	60.18	5.68	51.10	253.59	5,893.77	5,872.41
Johnson, Lewis P.	Library	2.07%	0.41%	1,136.29	-6.13	1.14	0	1,131.30	84.09	12.09	1.14	10.29	84.77	1,220.38	1,216.08
Neff, Emery	Library	2.06%	0.41%	1,134.15	-6.12	1.14	0	1,129.17	50.30	12.09	1.14	10.27	50.98	1,184.45	1,180.16
Remembering Betty Ann	Library	51.05%	10.09%	28,080.74	-151.48	28.25	0	27,957.52	520.82	299.44	28.25	254.27	537.75	28,601.56	28,495.26
Nell, Frances	Library	2.09%	0.41%	1,147.99	-6.19	1.15	0	1,142.95	50.94	12.24	1.15	10.39	51.63	1,198.93	1,194.58
Starkey, M.	Library	2.05%	0.41%	1,128.72	-6.09	1.14	0	1,123.77	50.94	12.04	1.14	10.22	50.72	1,174.76	1,174.49
Thompson & Overman	Library	5.57%	1.10%	3,062.28	-16.52	3.08	0	3,048.84	135.81	32.66	3.08	27.73	137.66	3,198.09	3,186.50
Warner, K.T.	Library	4.12%	0.82%	2,268.40	-12.24	2.28	0	2,258.45	100.59	24.19	2.28	20.54	101.96	2,368.99	2,360.40
Total Library Trust Funds		100.00%	19.77%	55,007.34	-296.73	55.34	0	54,765.95	1,748.57	586.58	55.34	498.08	1,781.73	56,755.91	56,547.68
		100.00%	19.77%	55,007.34	-296.73	55.34	0	54,765.95	1,748.57	586.58	55.34	498.08	1,781.73	56,755.91	56,547.68
OTHER TRUST FUNDS															
Acerno Scholarship Fund* **	1994	8.17%	2.25%	6,259.13	-33.76	6.67	0	6,230.04	(501.71)	66.75	6.67	600.00	(1,041.64)	5,757.42	5,190.40
Bleeker Town	1985	0.74%	0.20%	568.1	-3.06	0	0	565.04	165.63	6.06	0	0	171.69	733.73	736.72
Pearl Bragg School	1997	13.28%	3.65%	10,169.98	-54.86	0	0	10,115.12	1,568.59	108.45	0	0	11,736.57	11,792.16	11,792.16
Briggs Christmas	1918	1.61%	0.44%	1,230.07	-6.64	0	0	1,223.43	273.93	13.12	0	0	287.05	1,504.00	1,510.48
Cutter Grammar School	1990	0.77%	0.21%	589.84	-3.18	0	0	586.66	295.07	6.29	0	75.00	226.36	884.91	813.02
Esty School	1889	1.31%	0.36%	1,000.29	-5.40	0	0	994.89	61.64	10.67	0	0	72.31	1,061.93	1,067.20
Hall, Sarah, M.K. > Esty School	1947	0.37%	0.10%	286.18	-1.54	0	0	284.64	8.40	3.05	0	0	11.45	294.58	296.09
Hall, Victor School	1946	0.73%	0.20%	556.09	-3.00	0	0	553.09	42.09	5.93	0	0	48.02	598.18	601.11
Fox School	1817	1.50%	0.41%	1,149.25	-6.20	0	0	1,143.05	465.71	12.26	0	0	477.97	1,614.96	1,621.02
Lois Leach School	1976	3.65%	1.00%	2,793.21	-15.07	0	0	2,778.14	54.05	29.79	0	54.05	29.79	2,847.26	2,807.93
Jeff Starkey* School	2005	6.77%	1.86%	5,181.84	-27.95	0	0	5,153.89	670.43	55.26	0	180.00	545.69	5,852.27	5,699.58
Jotham Lord Town	1816	2.89%	0.80%	2,216.47	-11.96	128.00	0	2,332.51	42.89	23.64	0	42.89	23.64	2,259.36	2,356.15
Men's Club (Historical Society) ** Men	1982	5.75%	1.58%	4,407.01	-23.77	4.70	0	4,387.94	2,446.21	46.99	4.70	483.22	266.31	6,853.22	4,430.23
Starkey Cobb Aged	1935	32.60%	8.97%	24,973.22	-134.71	0	0	24,838.51	483.22	266.31	0	0	266.31	25,456.44	25,104.81
Town Literary School	1829	2.57%	0.71%	1,967.94	-10.62	0	0	1,957.32	116.06	20.99	0	0	137.05	2,084.00	2,094.37
Ruth White - Christmas Town	1991	4.50%	1.24%	3,449.20	-18.61	0	0	3,430.59	1,005.61	36.78	0	0	1,042.39	4,454.81	4,472.99
Thomas White - Soccer School	1985	10.87%	2.99%	8,329.16	-44.93	0	0	8,284.23	467.80	88.82	0	175.00	381.62	8,796.96	8,665.85
Woodward Memorial School	1988	1.92%	0.53%	1,467.90	-7.92	0	0	1,459.98	111.03	15.65	0	0	126.68	1,578.93	1,586.66
Total Other Trust Funds		100.00%	27.53%	76,594.88	-413.17	139.37	0	76,321.08	7,776.65	816.78	11.37	4,056.37	4,525.69	84,371.53	80,846.77
		100.00%	27.53%	76,594.88	-413.17	139.37	0	76,321.08	7,776.65	816.78	11.37	4,056.37	4,525.69	84,371.53	80,846.77
TOTAL COMMON TRUST FUNDS															
		100.00%	27.53%	278,268.68	-1,501.06	294.71	0.00	277,062.33	30,579.78	2,967.36	66.71	6,689.76	26,790.67	308,848.47	303,853.00

Common Stock Portfolio	Cost	12/31/14 Value	Assets	2013	2014
Clorox Co.	\$ 9,962	\$ 11,046	Common Stock Cost		
Dominion Resources	\$ 10,037	\$ 11,074	EJ MM Account	18,748.46	109,737.20
General Mills	\$ 20,532	\$ 20,212	CRB CD #8778116	95,000.00	5,100.00
General Parts	\$ 18,827	\$ 22,806	Checks on hand	190,000.00	303,852.98
Halyard Health	\$ 411	\$ 500	Bank of China, CD - EJ	308,848.46	120,795.07
Health Care REIT	\$ 9,994	\$ 11,880	Common Stock Market Value		
Johnson & Johnson	\$ 10,407	\$ 10,457			
Kimberly Clark Corp.	\$ 9,558	\$ 10,168			
Northeast Utilities	\$ 10,444	\$ 11,774			
Realty Income Corp.	\$ 9,954	\$ 10,878			
	\$ 109,737	\$ 120,795			

* Expendable trusts
 ** Transfer 10% of 2014 income to principal: Acerno = \$ 6.67 Men's = \$ 4.70
 *** Transfer 10% of 2012 income to principal: Library = \$55.34

TOWN OF WESTMORELAND – TRUST FUNDS & CAPITAL RESERVES

2014	PRINCIPAL				INCOME				GRAND TOTAL					
	MS 9	Share	12/30/2013 Balance	Capital Gain/Loss	Deposits	Transfer	Withdrawn	12/31/2014 Balance	12/31/2013 Balance	Income	Transfer	Expended	12/31/2014 Balance	12/31/2013 Balance
COMMON TRUST FUNDS														
Cemetery		52.71%	146,666.47	(791.16)	100.00	0	0	145,975.31	21,054.56	1,564.00	0	2,135.32	20,483.24	167,721.03
Library		19.77%	55,007.35	(296.73)	55.34	0	0	54,765.96	1,748.57	586.58	55.34	498.08	1,781.73	56,755.92
Other		27.53%	76,594.89	(413.17)	139.37	0	0	76,321.09	7,776.63	816.78	11.37	4,056.37	84,371.51	80,846.76
Total Common Trust Funds		100.00%	278,268.71	-1,501.06	294.71	0.00	0.00	277,062.36	30,579.76	2,967.36	66.71	6,689.77	26,790.64	308,848.46
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS														
Fire Truck	1968	214.3%	15,000.00	0	0	0	0	15,000.00	912.72	107.74	0	0	1,020.46	16,020.46
Highway Truck	1968	114.3%	8,000.00	0	0	0	0	8,000.00	7,347.35	57.46	0	0	7,404.81	15,404.81
SPED/HHS Tuition	1996	2098.5%	146,895.00	0	26,858.00	0	0	173,753.00	14,738.15	1,055.14	0	0	15,793.29	189,546.29
Recreation Fund	2001	3.2%	223.81	0	0	0	0	223.81	453.86	1.61	0	0	455.47	679.28
School Legal Services	2014	0.0%	0	0	1,093.50	0	0	1,093.50	0	-	0	0	0.00	1,093.50
School Renovation	2002	226.2%	15,835.60	0	30,000.00	0	0	45,835.60	4,501.43	113.75	0	0	4,615.18	50,450.78
Library Roof	2014	0.0%	0	0	4,000.00	0	0	4,000.00	0	-	0	0	0.00	4,000.00
Bridge Rebuilding	2002	1215.1%	85,059.20	0	0	18,745.19	0	66,314.01	4,819.24	610.98	0	0	5,430.22	71,744.23
Land Purchase	2006	956.4%	66,945.23	0	0	0	0	66,945.23	7,014.88	480.86	0	0	7,495.74	73,960.11
Town Clock	2009	42.9%	3,000.00	0	0	0	0	3,000.00	35.54	21.55	0	0	57.09	3,057.09
Financial Audit	2013	100.0%	7,000.00	0	0	0	0	7,000.00	0	50.28	19.56	0	69.84	7,069.84
Total Capital Reserve Funds		4970.8%	347,958.84	0.00	61,951.50	18,745.19	391,165.15	391,165.15	39,823.17	2,499.37	19.56	0.00	42,342.10	433,507.25
TOTAL ALL FUNDS		4970.84%	626,227.55	(1,501.06)	62,246.21	18,745.19	668,227.51	668,227.51	70,402.93	5,466.73	86.27	6,689.77	69,132.74	737,360.25
Funds held at:														
COMMON TRUST FUNDS														
Connecticut River Bank	#8778116			380.71	2013 Assets	2014 Assets	2013 Income	2014 Income	2013 Assets	2014 Assets	2013 Income	2014 Income	2013 Assets	2014 Assets
Bank of China CD	Edward Jones			2,586.55	190,000.00	190,000.00	190,000.00	95,000.00	#6843071092	#600-497399	1,598.32	592.43	88,000.00	59,763.47
Westmoreland Library	check			0					Connecticut River Bank, CD	#8776890	0.00	592.43	60,725.56	0.00
Edward Jones MM	#254-08778-1-4			0	18,748.46	4,115.78	0	0	Connecticut River Bank, CD	#8776890	0.00	592.43	60,725.56	0.00
Conn. River Bank MM	#7049137			0	5,100.00				Savings Bank of Waipole, CD	#600-502 848	381.63	0.00	150,000.00	0.00
Checks on Hand	Briggs - \$100, Culbertson - \$5,000			0					NBT Moneymarket	#8500459035	26.54	0.00	111,636.44	0.00
Outstanding check									CRB/Mascoma, checking	#7049129	0.00	0.00	50,739.35	0.00
Common shares at cost									NBT Checking	#7005455418	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.00
Total common trust funds				2,967.36	308,848.46	303,852.98			School SpEd check		-99.55	0.00	23,876.00	0.00
									Income adjustment		2,499.37	0.00	387,782.02	433,507.25
									Total capital reserve funds		6,689.77	0.00	696,630.47	696,630.47
									Total Capital Reserves and Trust Funds		6,689.77	0.00	696,630.48	696,630.48
									SBW CD, matured 7/28/14		1,598.32	0.00	61,317.99	61,317.99
									89,598.32 -	88,000.00 =	1,598.32	0.00	60,725.56 =	592.43
									CRB CD, matured 4/1/14		6,689.77	0.00	60,725.56	60,725.56
									New CRB CD		6,689.77	0.00	60,725.56	60,725.56
									matures 10/1/15		6,689.77	0.00	60,725.56	60,725.56

TOWN OF WESTMORELAND BIRTHS IN 2014

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Baby's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Name/Father's Name</u>
05/11/14	Peterborough, NH	Owen Charles Bradley	Laura Bradley/Vincent Bradley, III
05/13/14	Keene, NH	Jayce David Cray	Amanda Melecio/Jason Cray
05/18/14	Westmoreland, NH	Ruth Angela Bridges	Christina Ravens/John Bridges
06/04/14	Lebanon, NH	Josephine Reegan Leslie	Ashlee Leslie/Nathan Leslie
06/18/14	Keene, NH	Robert John Arrow	Jessica Lynch/Jason Arrow
10/10/14	Keene, NH	Kristopher Robert Madden	Kaitlyn Madden/Karl Madden
12/24/14	Peterborough, NH	Molli Brooks Staszko	Ashli Staszko/Peter Staszko

TOWN OF WESTMORELAND MARRIAGES IN 2014

<u>Bride and Groom</u>	<u>Residences</u>	<u>Date of Marriage</u>	<u>Place of Marriage</u>
Joshua B. Bosworth Krystal A. Hessberger	Westmoreland, NH Westmoreland, NH	04/21/14	Walpole, NH
Jared B. Vonderhorst Bethany L. Ponte	Westmoreland, NH Westmoreland, NH	06/21/14	Westmoreland, NH
Eric C. Clark Chelsea A. Rancourt	Westmoreland, NH West Chesterfield, NH	07/19/14	Westmoreland, NH
Robert J. Pearson Julie L. Cashin	Alstead, NH Alstead, NH	11/29/14	Westmoreland, NH

DEATHS IN WESTMORELAND (NOT MAPLEWOOD) 2014

<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Name</u>
02-09-14	Susan M. Herrmann	169 London Rd	William T Ohman, Jr	Marie Cantwell
03-18-14	Stephen J. McKenna	314 Poocham Rd	Joseph McKenna	Florence Gillis
04-13-14	Robin L. Wargo	79 Bump Road	Raymond Wargo	Virginia Lydiksen
04-16-14	Madlyn C. Snyder	332 Route 63	Samuel Chickering	Alice Herrick

WESTMORELAND DEATHS OUT OF TOWN 2014

<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Father's Name/Mother's Name</u>
01-28-14	Sacramento, CA	John P. Terry	John Terry/Helen Prescott
02-06-14	Chase City, VA	Lora I. Stevens	Frederick Buckman/Eleanor Cushing
03-11-14	Lebanon, NH	Judith Williams Fitzgerald	Malcolm D. Williams/Charlotte Knapp
03-15-14	Temple, NH	Daniel Byron Thompson	Eliot Thompson/Dorothy Lund
04-03-14	Keene, NH	Helen Mae Draper	Spencer Tandy/Grace Woods
04-10-14	Keene, NH	Harry Gould Newell	Fenn B. Newell/Helen Gould
05-04-14	Keene, NH	Marion Marie Perham	John Power/Anastasia Walsh
08-17-14	Keene, NH	Russell Arthur Kotfila	Maxie Kotfila/Jane Brulinski
11-03-14	Keene, NH	Eugene A. Bentrup	Peter "Henry" Bentrup/Bernadine Guelker
11-11-14	Keene, NH	Dorothy L. Mailhot	Michel Bouchard/Eva Bourque
12-12-14	Lebanon, NH	Paul E. Reichert	Frances Reichert/Mary Sandquist

TOWN OF WESTMORELAND BURIALS 2014

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Burial Date</u>	<u>Place of Death</u>	<u>Place of Burial</u>
Helen Mae Draper	04-03-14	05-03-14	Keene, NH	East Cemetery
Joan K. Starkey	02-09-14	05-03-14	Keene, NH	So. Village Cemetery
Timothy John Starkey	11-09-13	05-03-14	Worcester, MA	So. Village Cemetery
Marion Marie Perham	05-04-14	05-08-14	Keene, NH	East Cemetery
Arlene Ruth Forbes	07-18-07	08-21-14	Zephyrhills, FL	North Cemetery
Charles William Forbes	06-23-14	08-21-14	Cody, WY	North Cemetery
Russell Arthur Kotfila	08-17-14	11-09-14	Keene, NH	Canoe Meadow Cemetery

WESTMORELAND RESIDENT DEATHS AT MAPLEWOOD 2014

<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Name</u>
01/15/14	Lawrence G. Benson, Sr.	Robert Benson	Dorothy Weeden
02/01/14	Thomas R. Abare	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
02/23/14	Wendell Reginald Gardner, Sr.	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
03/04/14	Constance Gertrude Howlett	Robert Howlett	Elsie Laird
03/16/14	Barbara Elaine Lancey	Leon E. Derby	Lillian E. Hiiva
03/18/14	Lloyd D. Tindell	Lloyd Tindell	Elva (Unknown)
03/24/14	William R. Hinds	Richard Hinds	Eileen Price
03/27/14	Ann P. Weeks	Clifton Russell	Pearl E. Dragoon
04/08/14	Barbara E. Curtis	Roland V. Stoodley	Queenie (Unknown)
04/13/14	George Russell Graves	Stuart R. Graves	Alice P. MacNutt
04/17/14	Richard Marsh Austin	James Austin	Clara Marsh
04/23/14	Charles O'Connor Jr.	Charles O'Connor, Sr.	Florence Hutchinson
05/19/14	Edna M. Geary	Leon Mayer	Harriet King
05/25/14	Jacqueline Wilson	Jasper Hunt	Gwendalyn Mulette
05/31/14	Barbara Elizabeth Stetson	William F. Stetson	Helen Koski
06/04/14	Keith Messer	Richard Messer	Katherine (Unknown)
06/17/14	Thomas Morgan	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
07/05/14	Niel C. Chamberlin	Donald Chamberlin	Marion Paige
07/19/14	Margaret Edith Spaulding-Bascom	Elias S. Haddad	Grace Reed Jerard
08/21/14	Rose Mathiot	Napoleon Hisoire	Matilda Tre Monte
08/22/14	Paul H. Spencer	Llewellyn Truman Spencer	Mary Carrier
08/25/14	Ruth Everett	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
09/13/14	Marilyn Brunelle	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
09/22/14	Eleanor DiBernardo	Luke Walsh	Barbara McGrath
09/27/14	Gladys B. Hastings	Fred Walker	Bertha Hobson
10/16/14	Mary P. Balser Ruseckas	John Balser	Pauline Lambutis
10/24/14	Bruce Roberts	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
10/25/14	Adeline B. Woynar	Andrew Woynar	Blanche Niemczura
11/09/14	Anthony Somers	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
11/14/14	Howard F. Smith, Sr.	Robert Smith	Selina Borey
11/18/14	Delia M. Ganley	William Mayo	Ora Marie Hamel Miller
11/18/14	Susan M. Reinhart	George M. Seymour	Florence L. Hooker
12/01/14	Valentine J. Ruseckas	Anthony Ruseckas	Constantine Beckuta
12/20/14	Carl E. Lorette	Felix H. Lorette	Bessie O'Brien

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS
WESTMORELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT**

SCHOOL BOARD

Debra M. Hunter - Stuart R. Adams - Michael J. Acemo, Jr. - Justine Fletcher - Kurt R. Martin

MODERATOR

Bruce Smith

CLERK

Deb Nelson

TREASURER

Melissa Lemnah

AUDITOR

Plodzik & Sanderson

N.H. SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT 29 ADMINISTRATION

Wayne Woolridge, Superintendent of Schools

Dan Black, Assistant Superintendent

Rueben Duncan, Assistant Superintendent Towns/Curriculum

Janel Swanzon, Business Administrator for Towns

Timothy L. Ruehr, Town Business Administrator/Director of Human Resources

Nancy Deutsch, Manager of Human Resources

Catherine Woods, Director of Special Education

Dan Kaplan, Director of Technology

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

This school district receives federal financial assistance. In order to continue receiving such federal financial assistance, this school district will not discriminate in their educational programs, activities or employment practices on the basis of race, language, sex, age, or handicapping condition, under the provisions of Title IX of the 1972 Educational Amendments; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Complaints regarding compliance with Title IX regulations should be submitted in writing to the Title IX liaison for School Administrative Unit 29, the Manager of Human Resources, 193 Maple Avenue, Keene, New Hampshire. Complaints regarding compliance with Rehabilitation Act of 1973 - Section 504 should be submitted in writing to the Director of Special Education, 193 Maple Avenue, Keene, New Hampshire.

WESTMORELAND SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Our goal is to provide a variety of healthy and nutritious meals that follow the National School Lunch Program requirements.

Breakfast, snack and lunch are provided and made available to all students and staff daily. Three choices for breakfast and lunch are available each day. Each choice includes a main entree whole grain bread item, fruit, vegetable and low fat milk.

Our average daily participation is between 65% and 70% of the students we serve. We take pride in knowing each student by name and being aware of their preferences. When a student shows his or her excitement about the meal offered, we know we have made a difference in that student's day.

Marcia Winchester, Kitchen Manager

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Westmoreland qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Westmoreland Town Hall in said District on the 10th day of March, 2015, at 11:00 in the forenoon to act upon the following article. Polls will open at 11:00 a.m., and will close no later than the time of closing the polls for the election of town officials.

ARTICLE 1: To choose all necessary school district officers:

- Two School Board Members for three-year terms
- A Moderator for one-term term
- A Clerk for one-year-term
- A Treasurer for the ensuing year beginning July 1, 2015

Given under our hands at said Westmoreland, this 19th day of February, 2015

WESTMORELAND SCHOOL BOARD

Debra M. Hunter, Chair

Stuart R. Adams

Michael J. Acerno, Jr.

Justine Fletcher

Kurt R. Martin

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Westmoreland qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Westmoreland School Gymnasium in said district on the 13th day of March, 2015, at 7:00 O'clock in the evening to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450,000 to address elements of the energy efficiency audit to include the replacement of Westmoreland School's boilers as well as the fuel delivery, storage systems and controls, and related expenditures to complete the project, and further to authorize the issuance of not more than \$450,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33) and to authorize the school board to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes, and also to determine the rate of interest thereon; or to take any other action in relation thereto. *(The Westmoreland Budget Committee supports favorable action on this warrant article. The Westmoreland School Board supports favorable action on this warrant article.) (2/3 ballot vote required)*

ARTICLE 2: To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 3: To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the budget committee's recommended amount of \$3,573,846 for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. The school board recommends \$3,573,846.

ARTICLE 4: To see if the District will vote to appropriate and authorize the school board to transfer up to Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) of its unencumbered funds, if any remain on hand at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 2015, to be deposited in the Capital Reserve Fund established by the voters of the District on March 16, 2001, for the purpose of major renovation/reconstruction of school buildings and related costs, or to take any other action in relation thereto. *(The Westmoreland Budget Committee and School Board support favorable action on this warrant article.)*

ARTICLE 5: To see if the District will vote to appropriate and authorize the school board to transfer up to Twenty-Six Thousand One Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$26,130) of its unassigned fund balance, if any, remaining on hand at the end of fiscal year, June 30, 2015, to the Special Education/High School Tuition Fund established by the voters of the District on March 16, 2001, for the purpose of paying future year unanticipated special education and/or high school tuitions or to take any other action in relation thereto. If there is an insufficient, undesignated fund balance as of June 30, 2015 to fund this appropriation and the appropriation in Article 4 (Capital Reserve Fund), Article 4 will be funded first, with any additional surplus to be applied to this warrant article. *(The Westmoreland Budget Committee and the Westmoreland School Board support favorable action on this warrant article.)*

ARTICLE 6: To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Westmoreland, this 19th day of February, 2015.

WESTMORELAND SCHOOL BOARD

*Debra M. Hunter, Chair
Stuart R. Adams
Michael J. Acerno, Jr.
Justine Fletcher
Kurt R. Martin*

Health Office Report

This year the health office again has one nurse filling the position of school nurse. Since September there have been over 800 visits to the health office during the nurse's hours. There has been an increase lately with influenza-like-illnesses going around. There are a few students that take daily scheduled medications during school hours as well as students with epi-pens, inhalers and other emergency prescription medications.

The mandatory NH Immunization Survey was completed and all students are in compliance with state requirements for vaccinations.

Hearing and vision screenings as well as height and weight screenings for all students have begun and should be finished soon. Keene Lion's Club provided a free vision screening to our kindergarten class in October.

A flu clinic was offered to the faculty and staff.

We are again working with Cheshire Smiles. There are approximately 35 students in grades K-3 that participate in the fluoride program. Cheshire smiles will be returning in February for dental screenings, cleanings, and education.

I enjoy my interactions with the students and continue to collaborate with classroom teachers, guidance, administration and parents to help address the health and wellness needs of our students and staff.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jill Gourley, RN, BSN
Westmoreland School Nurse

**Westmoreland School District Meeting
March 14, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by Moderator R. Bruce Smith at 7:00 pm

Moderator Smith read: To the inhabitants of the school district in the Town of Westmoreland qualified to vote in District affairs: You are hereby notified to meet at the Westmoreland School Gymnasium in said district on the 14th day of March, 2014 at 7:00 pm in the evening to act upon the following articles:

Moderator Smith read Article I: *To hear the reports of agents, committees, or officers chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.* The election results for ensuing year were announced: Moderator: R. Bruce Smith, School Board Members: Justine Fletcher and Kurt Martin, Treasurer: Melissa Lemnah and District Clerk: Debra J. Nelson.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moderator Smith recognized School Board Member Michael Acerno for his twenty years of outstanding service and Mrs. Debra Hunter presented him with a plaque.

Moderator Smith read Article II: *To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the budget committee's recommended amount of \$3,594,360 for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for the school district officials and agents, and for the payment for the statutory obligations of the district. The school board also recommends \$3,594,360.00.* A motion by Mr. Acerno to move the article as read, and Mrs. Hunter seconded the motion. Mr. Acerno addressed the article noting it is in support of Westmoreland School and our Westmoreland Students at Keene High School and it is level funded in all aspects except for the addition of one half time aide. Hearing no other discussion, Moderator Smith asked for a voice vote, the motion passed.

Moderator Smith read Article III: *To see if the District will vote to appropriate and authorize the School Board to transfer up to Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) of its unreserved fund balance, if any, remaining on hand at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 2014, for the purpose of major renovation/reconstruction of school buildings and related costs, or to take any other action in relation thereto. (The Westmoreland Budget Committee and the Westmoreland School Board support favorable action on this warrant article.)* A motion by Mr. Acerno to move the article as read, Mrs. Hunter seconded the motion. Mr. Stuart Adams addressed the article noting the balance in this fund currently is \$20,337.00. Mr. Kenneth Thompson asked about this years expected ending balance. Mr. Adams stated that they are anticipating a possible year-end balance of \$167,000.00 which will be addressed later in the meeting. Moderator Smith asked for any further discussion, hearing none, asked for a voice vote, the motion passed.

Moderator Smith read Article IV: *To see if the District will vote to appropriate and authorize the School Board to transfer up to Twenty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Eight Dollars (\$26,858.00) of its unreserved fund balance, if any, remaining on hand at the end of fiscal year, June 30, 2014, to the Special Education/High School Tuition Fund established by the voters of the District on March 16, 2001, for the purpose of paying future year unanticipated special education and/or high school tuitions or to take any other action in relation thereto. If there is an insufficient, undesignated fund balance as of June 30, 2014 to fund this appropriation and the appropriation in Article 3 (Capital Reserve Fund), Article 3 will be funded first, with any additional surplus to be applied to this warrant article. (The Westmoreland Budget Committee and the Westmoreland School Board support favorable action on this warrant article.)* A motion by Mr. Acerno to move the article as read, Mrs. Hunter seconded the motion. Mr. Acerno addressed the article stating that the fund balance is currently \$161,633.15 and noted that four special education tuitions top \$100,000.00 and one out of district tuition could easily top \$100,000.00. Moderator Smith asked for any further discussion, hearing none, asked for a voice vote, the motion passed.

Moderator Smith read Article V: *To see if the District will vote to appropriate and authorize up to Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,00.00) of the undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2014, to be used to fund costs associated with the purchase and installation of security measures including an entry control system and security key system and related costs, or to take any other action in relation thereto. If there is an insufficient, undesignated fund balance as of June 30, 2014*

to fund this appropriation and the appropriations considered previously, Article 3 and 4 will be funded first, with any additional surplus to be applied to this warrant article. (The Westmoreland Budget Committee and the Westmoreland School Board support favorable action on the warrant article.) A motion by Mr. Acerno to move the article as read, Mrs. Hunter seconded the motion. Mr. Acerno addressed the article stating that we have all heard about atrocities in schools across the country and a priority is to keep our students safe and deter any intruders. Moderator Smith asked for any further discussion, hearing none, asked for a voice vote, the motion passed.

Moderator Smith read Article VI: *To see if the District will vote to appropriate and authorize up to Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00) of the undesignated fund balance available on June 30, 2014, to be used to fund costs associated with the construction of an additional storage room to be attached to the gymnasium and related costs, or to take any other action in relation thereto. If there is an insufficient, undesignated fund balance as of June 30, 2014 to fund this appropriation and the appropriations considered previously, Article 3, 4 and 5 will be funded first, with any additional surplus to be applied to this warrant article. (The Westmoreland Budget Committee and the Westmoreland School Board support favorable action on this warrant article.)* A motion by Mr. Acerno to move the article as read, Mrs. Hunter seconded the motion. Mr. Adams addressed the article pointing out the corners of the gym filled with staging, chairs, and equipment. This article would be to build a cold storage area outside onto the gym to store these large items and improve safety. Mr. Kenneth Thompson states that he feels we could give some of the surplus back to taxpayers, perhaps using \$20,000.00 this year and some from any remaining funds next year, and noted the next article is asking to establish another fund. Mrs. Justine Fletcher stated that this is a very unusual year as there has not been a surplus like this in many years if ever. Mr. Adams stated that the Board Members wanted taxpayer support rather than just spending/encumbering the money for these projects. Mr. Robert Moore clarified that even with these special Articles the Board would still be returning in excess of \$60,000.00 to taxpayers. Moderator Smith asked for any further discussion, hearing none, asked for a voice vote, the motion passed.

Moderator Smith read Article VII: *To see if the District will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of legal fees, and to appoint the school board as agents to expend from this fund; further, to appropriate and authorize the School Board to transfer up to One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (51,500.00) of its legal services general fund account which is on hand and unused at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 2014 to be transferred into this legal Service Capital Reserve Fund, or to take any other action in relation thereto. (The Westmoreland Budget and the Westmoreland School Board support favorable action on the warrant article.)* A motion by Mr. Acerno to move the article as read, Mrs. Hunter seconded the motion. Mr. Acerno addressed the article noting that \$1500.00 is raised each year through the budget and rarely if ever used so the Budget Committee felt to raise in once and set it aside until needed would be better. Moderator Smith asked for any further discussion, hearing none, asked for a vote and the motion passed.

Moderator Smith read Article VIII: *To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.* A motion by Mr. Acerno to move the article as read, Mrs. Hunter seconded the motion. Moderator Smith acknowledged the Westmoreland School Board for all their time and hard work. A motion by Mr. Kurt Martin to close the meeting at 7:20 pm, the motion seconded by Mrs. Hunter, Moderator Smith asked for a voice vote, the motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Debra J. Nelson
District Clerk

Official election results of Tuesday, March 11, 2014 the following candidates were declared elected by the Westmoreland School. District Moderator at the Westmoreland School District Meeting March 14, 2014.

Moderator — 1 Year: R. Bruce Smith
Member(s) Of the School Board — 3 Years: Justine Fletcher and Kurt Martin
District Treasurer -1 Year: Melissa Lemnah
District Clerk — 1 Year: Vacant

REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

Fiscal Year July 1, 2013 to June 20, 2014

Melissa Lemnah, District Treasurer

Cash on hand July 1, 2013 (Treasurer's bank balance)		34,467.63
Current Tax Appropriation	2,593,715.00	
Revenue from State Sources	843,687.42	
Revenue from Federal Sources	6,025.15	
Received from all other sources	81,204.18	
	Total Receipts	3,524,631.75
TOTAL AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR (Balance + Receipts)		3,559,099.38
LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERS PAID		3,309,823.49
Balance on hand June 30, 2014 (Treasurer's Bank Balance)		249,275.89

DETAIL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS FY 2014

FROM WHOM	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Bank	Interest	262.19
Federal Government	Federal lunch Reimbursement	760.15
Federal Government	REAP	5,265.00
Other	LGC Surplus Returned	1,671.54
Other	Deposit in Error (Harrisville)	2,450.00
Other	Health Trust Premiums	33,300.45
Other	Fairpoint: E-Rate	5,830.79
Other	Refund on background checks	742.00
Parents	Donations	500.00
Parents	Lunch Program	34,296.32
Parents	Transportation (bus money)	1,550.89
Parents	Tuition Payments	600.00
State of NH	Building Aid	14,115.00
State of NH	Cat Aid	30,426.85
State of NH	Equitable Aid	677,667.00
State of NH	IDEA	34,906.19
State of NH	Lunch Program	3,073.50
State of NH	Medicare	3,904.20
State of NH	Medicaid	20,477.59
State of NH	Retirement	409.72
State of NH	Title I	19,529.50
State of NH	Title II	11,025.80
State of NH	USDA	28,152.07
Town	Tax Appropriation	2,593,715.00

TOTAL RECEIPTS DURING YEAR 3,524,631.75

WESTMORELAND STAFF & GRADUATES

Westmoreland School 2014-2015 Staff

Mark Hayward-Principal
Kendra DiLegge-School Counselor
Debra Nelson-Secretary
Lori Castagna-SPED Teacher

Stacy Riendeau-Kindergarten Teacher
Rachael Fowler-Grade 1
Karen Durling-Grade 2
Leslie Carlson-Grade 3
Henry Bailly-Grade 4
Caragh McManus-MS Mathematics
Cheryl Patty-MS Science
Melissa Crotto-Young-MS Langue Arts
Paul Deschenes-MS Social Studies
David Sontag-PE/Health
Stacey Inzer-Reading Specialist
Robert Stack-Media Generalist
Anna Johnson-Music
Rebecca LaQuerre-Art
Greenough Nowakoski-Spanish

Jill Gourley-Nurse
Marcia Winchester-Kitchen Manager
Helen Kendall-Kitchen Aide
Robert Miles-Custodian
William Fletcher-Custodian

Amy Royce-Title One
Susanne Bates-Title One
Kathy Sportello-SPED Aide
Beth Pearce-SPED Aide
Nancy McKenna-Classroom Aide
Jennifer Morello-Tutor (September-December)
Michael Nevins-Tutor (January-June)
Sara Elliot SPED Aide
Mary Bradley SPED Aide

Westmoreland Graduates

8TH GRADE

Katie Chamberlin
Vincent Cormier
Clayton Edmonds
Franklin Farnham
Pauline Farrington
Molly Harvey
Eleanor Hayward
Mayzie Hunter
Rhiannon Jarvis
Alyson Lemnah
Zachary Matthews
Benjamin McRae
Grace Menard
Tyler Menard
Emily Miner
Carter Olmstead
Nathan Rogers

12TH GRADE

Franchesca Adams
Thomas Bunszel
Madison Cooke
Clayton Dennie
Kaleb Dewees
Zachary Dille
Jennifer Fields
Nathan Frost
Derek Greenwood
Kyle Horton
Kate Martin
Erin Myers
Anthony Oatley
Eileea Paulin
Joshua Staples
Zachary Uhas
Katrina Ullrich
Shayla Vasser
Ryley Wilkes

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

I would like to begin by acknowledging the work of the Westmoreland School Board. This dedicated five-member board continues to go above and beyond to make decisions in the best interest of the students of the Westmoreland School District. The board members give countless hours to the work of the school district and deserve the highest recognition in honor of their service. We are also fortunate to have at the helm of the Westmoreland School, Principal Hayward, who puts his students and staff first. The staff, families and students of the Westmoreland School District are a great source of pride for all of SAU 29.

Work continues on the new evaluation system. Staff members have completed their Professional Growth Plans and evaluations and self-assessments are taking place on a regular basis. The new evaluation plan incorporates student assessment data as an element in the evaluation. The Data/SLO (student learning objectives) subcommittee has been working on the use of student achievement data as a component of the evaluation system.

Another component of the Common Core Standards is the new student assessment the Smarter Balanced Assessment. The Smarter Balanced Assessment testing window will open statewide on March 16, 2015. The 12-week window will end on June 5, 2015. All grade-level assessments must be completed within the established timeframe:

- Grades 3 & 4 during weeks 1-6
- Grades 5 & 6 during weeks 3 -8
- Grades 7, 8, & 11 during weeks 5-12

Key features of the Smarter Balanced Assessments:

- ✓ Writing component for every grade
- ✓ Questions & performance tasks that require students to demonstrate skill in the areas of research, writing, and problem-solving
- ✓ Accessibility and accommodations for students at all ability levels

An important distinction of the new assessment is that the tests are more than simply a “year-end” assessment. Teachers will have access to a digital library with resources designed to aid teachers with classroom-based assessment practices. The online library will also serve as a “virtual professional learning community” whereby teachers will have the opportunity to share their experiences as well as to rate the resources available to them.

Optional interim assessments and year-end summative assessments will also be available to assist teachers with determining student growth and performance.

A significant component of the Smarter Balanced Assessment is the technology necessary to support this online assessment. Work has been underway for some time to strengthen the technology infrastructure in order to support the testing process. Bandwidth is being tested and increased as needed and staff will receive training on how to digitally administer and proctor the assessments. I am confident that we will find that our students will perform well on the new assessment and the result will be a better means of strengthening our instruction.

I invite you to visit the Westmoreland School, attend a school-related activity, or participate in a school board meeting; I encourage you to attend the Annual District Meeting on **Friday, March 13, 2015 at 7:00 PM**. Thank you for your support of Westmoreland’s children and their education.

Wayne Woolridge
Superintendent of Schools

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

“School is a building which has four walls with tomorrow inside”

(This quote was given to me recently by 3rd grader Kasey Bressett, and it seemed like a good quote to start this year's report.)

Enrollment

This past fall we were excited to welcome 14 kindergarten students to Westmoreland School (and we recently added one more), bringing our overall enrollment as of January 25, 2015 to 157 students. Here are the current class sizes:

K-15 1-15 2-14 3-21 4-20 5-19 6-15 7-21 8-17

We are once again proud this year to have a group of great staff members, excellent students, amazing parents, and fantastic community members who work hard to support what we are doing to improve student achievement every day. We also continue to have one of the lowest costs per pupil of any school in the area, and are still well below the state average in this area. We are able to do this through the hard work of our staff, along with the support of our school board, and the generosity and assistance of parents and community members. We work to budget wisely, to maintain the facility in a frugal, balanced manner, and to maximize federal grant funds to lessen the impact on town taxpayers. We do this while appreciating the voter support we receive when costs have to increase due to needed expenses.

School Facility Maintenance: This year there was a very visible improvement to the facility at our school that many of you might have noticed. This project came from our facility maintenance funds and was the addition of the fire door overhangs on the middle school wing. This allows us improved, safer, access to our fire doors and will help keep some of the snow away from the building, thereby reducing chances of water/ice damage and rot.

Now we are looking at another important project to help properly maintain our school. For the last few years we have been looking at our overall heating/energy system to find ways to make it work better and more efficiently. Over this past year we have been working specifically with an organization called Energy Efficient Investment (EEI) Services. They did a study of our school to assess our needs and were looking to make improvements that would be “revenue neutral”, meaning they would work with PSNH and the costs would come off our savings over the years, not from tax dollars.

Unfortunately, the work we need done is not going to have a pay back time that would make this feasible, so we are looking to pass a bond that would allow us to make these improvements (which still would pay for themselves over many years with better control and efficiency that will help with our energy costs going forward.) Over the last few years we have spent thousands of dollars trying to maintain our current mix of three different heating sources that all work independently of each other and when they are properly working and heating the school they are doing it 24 hours a day, seven days a week. We actually have the capacity to heat the school with one centralized system by restructuring our newest boiler room and installing a modern control system that would allow us to adjust the output for maximum efficiency. This would save us thousands of dollars over future years and ensure an adequate system for the long term. This school has been around for 55 years and the hope is that if properly cared for, it should last another 55. We have all seen other schools and institutions in the area where the conclusion is reached that the facility is outdated and/or has not been maintained well enough, and the decision is reached that it needs to be replaced with a new building that will cost millions of dollars. Although this may be necessary in other circumstances, the goal here is to make sure this will not be the case for Westmoreland School.

Community Support

The Student of the Month Lion's Club Luncheon is now in its 4th year and we are happy to be able to continue it again with the generous support of the Westmoreland Lion's Club and the great job done hosting the event by the Westmoreland Village Store and Eatery. Residents are welcome to stop by and see the pictures of the honored students with their certificates of recognition, which are proudly displayed in the front lobby of the school. We also would like to thank the Lion's Club for continuing to work with us in financially supporting our

yearly reward event for students and for the holiday gifts/support that they and the Westmoreland United Church provide to our families.

The PTA Fun Run has been a great community event and was again a success this past year and will continue to be as long as more people come forward to help lead the effort. We would love to increase the amount of participants (of all ages and abilities) that we had this past spring. Please come and walk, run, or just volunteer along the course and cheer on our participants. The Westmoreland Public Library has also consistently been a great partner presenting outstanding programs for our young readers who look forward to their visits to the library and we appreciate the incredible outreach work the library staff puts together.

New Faculty

With the retirement of Mr. Carlson Barrett last year, we had some big shoes to fill for our new music teacher. We were incredibly lucky to get a former student of Mr. B's, Ms. Anna Johnson, who has been doing an outstanding job carrying on a strong music legacy and bringing her own energy and ideas to inspire our students.

Caragh McManus finished the second half of the year with us as our middle school math teacher last year and is now on full time doing excellent work here every day. We also were lucky to find a new Spanish teacher this fall, Ms. Greenough Nowakoski, who has done a great job getting the students excited about learning the language.

Academics

We would like to congratulate Sophia McLaughlin as the Valedictorian and F. Will Hadlow as the Salutatorian of the Westmoreland School graduating class of 2014. We had twenty students participate in the commencement ceremonies and most moved on to Keene High School where they have been doing very well. We believe in a well-rounded education at Westmoreland School where all students study the core subjects such as Math, Science, English/Language Arts, Social Studies, Reading/Spelling, and also participate in our "specials" such as Music, Art, Physical Education, Health, Guidance, and Library Technology. Students in grade 3-8 also study Spanish. This year we had exciting competitions in the National Geography Bee and Spelling Bee programs with our Geography Bee Champion Ian Rogers and Spelling Bee Champion Carter Olmstead earning the right to represent our school at the state level.

This past fall we had most of our 8th grade students participate in the Cheshire YMCA's American Heritage Tour (AHT) in September, and many 7th graders participate in the New England Heritage Tour (NEHT) in October. We also continue to send the 6th graders to the Sargent Center's Outdoor Education program in September during the AHT week. These programs continue to be a big part of our student's learning experience and great opportunities that have a large positive impact on the life of each student who participates.

Arts and Enrichment

Our students continue to enjoy and benefit from our fine arts program led by our Art teacher Mrs. LaQuerre. Mrs. LaQuerre has continued to display great examples of our student's art work in the front lobby case and in the multi-purpose room for everyone to enjoy.

We also continue to have the New Hampshire Dance Institute (NHDI) program each week for grades 4-8, with a large number of students who will perform over Memorial Day weekend at Keene State College. For our younger students we had an excellent NHDI residency program here in January led by Lisa Cook for grades K-3. Our school Bell Choir continues to shine under the volunteer leadership of Mrs. Newton and Mrs. Acerno.

Athletics and Wellness

Our adjustable basketball hoops on our outdoor court continues to be a popular place for students of all ages and sizes who play at recess and after school. We also had a great "3rd Annual Staff vs. Parents Soccer Game" this past fall and are planning similar events in basketball and volleyball this spring.

We hope to continue our spring after school running and walking group for students, staff and parents. We were unable to get the participation and support this past fall for our middle school cross country program but we hope to try again next year. In addition, this past fall we had a large number of students participate in the 3rd Annual DeMar Kid's Marathon, where students had to log in at least 25 miles of running over the summer and then complete one final mile during marathon day to make it an overall marathon length achievement. All

of this and more is part of the bigger Healthy Monadnock 2020 (formerly Vision 2020) community initiative in which Westmoreland School has been an active participant.

On the middle school sports front, it was a fun soccer season with another beautiful weekend for our annual tournament, and both teams competed valiantly, with the girl's team winning the championship in the finals to Chesterfield. Our basketball teams have had a great regular season this winter (led by Coach Henry Bailly for the boys and Coach Caragh McManus for the girls) and they finish up the season on the weekend of February 7th-8th competing in their league tournaments at KHS. Softball and baseball both did well last spring with the softball team going undefeated, thereby claiming right to the league championship.

WYSBO

As always, the Westmoreland Youth Sports Boosters Organization (WYSBO), led by Gina Gitchell, is a huge asset to all our sports programs at the school and around the town, tirelessly putting together numerous opportunities for participation, helping to maintain athletic facilities, and fundraising to support our programs. One project they helped make happen is the new solar-powered electronic scoreboard for the athletic fields, and this purchase was made possible by the generosity of the O'Neil family. Thank you to Wesley Staples for his welding and site work and Mark P. Hayward, Sr. for setting it all up, and special thanks to James Castagna for donating the electric work and battery. This will keep our fans of soccer, baseball, and softball informed for years to come.

Community Service

Our middle school students at the Westmoreland School continued to perform hundreds of hours of community service. They also raised hundreds of dollars to donate to various charitable organizations. All middle school students are required to do 6 hours of community service as part of their Social Studies class, but many students do far more than required. Beneficiaries of their efforts include our school and numerous organizations in our town and area.

Also, Mrs. Patty and the Student Council led their yearly school wide non-perishable food drive to collect food and raise funds for the Community Kitchen in Keene. We collected hundreds of pounds of food that were delivered before the holidays.

Westmoreland PTA

The PTA has continued to be a strong supporter of Westmoreland School this year and has run some great programs for our school community. In addition to the efforts previously mentioned, they also donate funds for staff members to purchase additional resources and pursue special initiatives. Besides many other activities too numerous to list, they also organize the back-to-school Meet and Greet in August, Teacher Appreciation Week, Reflections Program, Book Fair, School/Town Calendar, and the Spring Fun Run (tentative date: June 6, 2015).

Volunteers

We would like to thank our volunteers in the [America Reads](#) program that come here every week and work with our young learners. They are Ann Ray, Betsy Henchey, and Kathy Cox. We are thankful for their time, commitment, and dedication. We thank Jen Harville, Sue Rogers, Michelle Priebe, and Anne Chamberlin for all their hard work on the Reflections Program, and Sue for continuing to lead an after school volleyball club, Kristen Chamberlin and Jane Edmonds for assisting Stacy Riendeau with the spring talent show, and Jaime Russell for leading the book fair, and all the parents who volunteered that week. In sports, Tom Patty for helping with baseball; Billy Smith, and Nick and Amy Royce for helping with basketball; and for all the parents who coached the Rec. sports teams throughout the year. Finally, sorry to all I may have missed, as there are many other people out there who give their time and effort to help our school in many different ways and for this we are grateful.

Lastly, I would like to again thank Mary Bradley for her help with our middle school Nature/Horticulture Club. This year Mrs. Bradley has been working with the group to create nature trails and writing grants. Our goal is to encourage more real world, hands-on learning to keep students active, engaged, and educated about our environment.

Mark P. Hayward, Jr.
Principal

**WESTMORELAND
2015-2016 PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET
ESTIMATED REVENUES**

REVENUE ACCOUNTS	2014-15 BUDGET	2015-16 PROPOSED	%	\$
			INCREASE	INCREASE
Unreserved Fund Balance	\$126,765	\$0		
Local Property Taxes	\$2,102,831	\$2,193,393	4.31%	\$90,562
Tuition	\$600	\$600		
Interest	\$300	\$300		
Lunch Local	\$55,000	\$55,000		
Transport. Fees	\$1,600	\$1,600		
E-Rate Reimbursement/Other	\$17,740	\$11,800		
N.H. Property Tax	\$428,422	\$397,261	-7.27%	-\$31,161
N.H Adequacy Aid	\$676,873	\$731,023	8.00%	\$54,150
N.H. Building Aid	\$28,230	\$26,730		
N.H. Catastrophic Aid	\$20,999	\$22,639		
N.H. Child Nutrition	\$2,000	\$2,000		
Medicaid Reimbursement	\$15,000	\$13,500		
Federal Funds	\$90,000	\$90,000		
Lunch - Federal	\$28,000	\$28,000		
Transfer to Trust Funds	\$102,952	\$0		
Sale of Bond	\$0	\$0		
Transfer from Trust Funds	\$0	\$0		
Prior Year Transfer	\$0	\$0		
TOTALS	\$3,697,312	\$3,573,846	-3.34%	-\$123,466

PROPERTY TAX INCREASE FROM PROPOSED BUDGET (Local and State School Tax) 2.35% \$59,401

TAX RATE INCREASE FROM PROPOSED BUDGET \$0.3383

TAX IMPACT ON HOUSE ASSESSED FOR \$100,000 \$33.83

WARRANT ARTICLE PROJECTED TAX IMPACT	Total Amount	Total Tax	TAX IMPACT
Warrant Article #1 (Bond)	\$9,100	\$9,100	\$0.05
Warrant Article #3 (School Budget)	\$3,572,890	\$2,590,654	\$0.34
Warrant Article #4 (Surplus to Bldg Cap. Res. Fund)	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$0.09
Warrant Article #5 (Surplus to Sped/Tuition Exp. Trust Fund)	\$26,130	\$26,130	\$0.15
TOTAL	\$3,623,120	\$2,640,884	\$0.62
TOTAL BUDGET WITH ALL WARRANT ARTICLES		\$3,623,120	
BUDGET DECREASE WITH ALL ARTICLES		(\$74,192)	-2.0%
PROPERTY TAX INCREASE WITH ALL WARRANT ARTICLES		4.33%	
TAX RATE INCREASE FROM BUDGET & WARRANT ARTICLES		\$0.6260	
TAX IMPACT ON HOUSE ASSESSED FOR \$100,000		\$62.60	

Historical School Tax Chart	Year	Rate	Total School Tax Dollars	State Ed. Aid	% Tax Change from Previous Year
	2005-06	\$13.09	\$1,903,423	\$601,430	
	2006-07	\$9.47	\$1,881,499	\$601,430	-1.15%
	2007-08	\$9.99	\$2,002,834	\$631,502	6.45%
	2008-09	\$10.13	\$2,054,100	\$631,502	2.56%
	2009-10	\$10.49	\$2,138,441	\$648,046	4.11%
	2010-11	\$10.92	\$2,234,211	\$614,399	4.48%
	2011-12	\$13.75	\$2,394,596	\$614,400	7.18%
	2012-13	\$13.76	\$2,393,454	\$614,400	-0.05%
	2013-14	\$14.96	\$2,593,715	\$663,552	8.37%
	2014-15	\$14.53	\$2,531,253	\$676,873	-2.41%
budget article only	2015-16	\$14.87	\$2,590,654	\$731,023	2.35%
with warrant articles	2015-16	\$15.16	\$2,631,784	\$731,023	3.97%

**DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES
AS A RESULT OF SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED PER RSA 32:11-a

	2012-13 ACTUAL	2013-14 ACTUAL
REVENUE		
State Adequacy Aid for Special Ed.	\$45,509	\$60,600
IDEA Entitlement Grant	\$44,739	\$37,603
Medicaid Reim.	\$29,088	\$19,143
Catastrophic Aid	\$23,170	\$30,427
TOTAL REVENUE	\$142,505	\$147,772
EXPENSE		
Instruction and Services	\$485,124	\$507,876
Transportation	\$50,121	\$22,625
IDEA Entitlement Grant	\$44,739	\$37,603
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$579,984	\$568,104
NET COST	\$437,478	\$420,331

**WESTMORELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSED 2015-2016 BUDGET (SUMMARY)**

	BUDGET 2013-14	ACTUAL 2013-14	BUDGET 2014-15	Budget Committee's & School Board's		
				PROPOSED 2015-16	% CHANGE	% TOTAL BUDGET
ELEMENTARY REGULAR INSTRUCTION	\$1,922,983	\$1,680,948	\$1,994,931	\$1,932,203	-3.14%	54.07%
ELEMENTARY DEBT SERVICE	\$97,269	\$97,269	\$93,957	\$85,600	-8.89%	2.40%
ELEMENTARY SPECIAL INSTRUCTION	\$402,557	\$331,528	\$374,389	\$374,730	0.09%	10.49%
TOTAL ELEMENTARY COST	\$2,422,809	\$2,109,744	\$2,463,277	\$2,392,533	-2.87%	66.95%
HIGH SCHOOL TUITIONS (Regular Education students)	\$723,521	\$651,142	\$761,158	\$750,240	-1.43%	20.99%
HIGH SCHOOL TRANSPORT (Reg)	\$50,000	\$49,039	\$52,000	\$54,943	5.66%	1.54%
HIGH SCHOOL SPEC. INSTRUC.	\$191,008	\$179,070	\$241,722	\$209,040	-13.52%	5.85%
HIGH SCHOOL TRANSPORT.(Sp)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%	0.00%
TOTAL HIGH SCHOOL COST	\$964,529	\$879,251	\$1,054,880	\$1,014,223	-3.85%	28.38%
SAU #29	\$177,564	\$175,274	\$179,155	\$167,090	-6.73%	4.68%
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$3,564,902	\$3,164,269	\$3,697,312	\$3,573,846	-3.34%	100.00%
DEFICIT APPROPRIATION	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
TOTAL	\$3,564,902	\$3,164,269	\$3,697,312	\$3,573,846	-3.34%	100.00%

**WESTMORELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
PROPOSED 2015-2016 BUDGET (SUMMARY)**

	BUDGET 2013-14	ACTUAL 2013-14	BUDGET 2014-15	Budget Committee's & School Board's PROPOSED 2015-16	% CHANGE	% TOTAL BUDGET
ELEMENTARY INSTRUCTION (GRADES K-8 - 153 Students Projected)						
REGULAR INSTRUCTION						
Salaries	\$639,202	\$626,892	\$644,283	\$654,137		
Benefits	\$283,524	\$273,843	\$304,066	\$300,495		
Purchased Instructional Service	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Repair Equipment	\$1,350	\$1,296	\$2,500	\$2,500		
Mileage	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Supplies/Workbooks/Textbooks	\$38,071	\$32,596	\$19,479	\$26,729		
Equipment	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,220		
Furniture	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$0		
TOTAL REGULAR INSTRUCTION	\$965,647	\$937,627	\$973,828	\$987,081	1.36%	27.62%
CO-CURRICULAR						
Salaries & Benefits	\$15,272	\$14,516	\$15,517	\$18,956		
Assemblies/Officials	\$5,240	\$3,158	\$6,140	\$2,996		
Supplies/Awards/Misc.	\$2,350	\$1,243	\$2,350	\$2,350		
Dues and Fees	\$3,000	\$2,405	\$2,705	\$3,105		
TOTAL EXTRACURRICULAR	\$25,862	\$21,322	\$26,712	\$27,407	2.60%	0.77%
SCHOOL SERVICES						
Attendance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Guidance	\$30,752	\$30,850	\$31,677	\$32,217		
Health	\$24,888	\$23,754	\$24,199	\$25,124		
TOTAL SCHOOL SERVICES	\$55,640	\$54,605	\$55,876	\$57,341	2.62%	1.60%

Budget Committee's &

School Board's

% TOTAL
BUDGET

%
CHANGE

PROPOSED
2015-16

BUDGET
2014-15

ACTUAL
2013-14

BUDGET
2013-14

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Continuum Salaries/Benefits	\$1,003	\$912	\$1,003	\$1,859
Course Reimbursement	\$9,000	\$0	\$9,000	\$9,000
Management Development	\$2,000	\$914	\$2,000	\$2,000
Staff Development	\$4,000	\$1,810	\$4,000	\$4,000
Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Professional Books/Periodicals	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$200
TOTAL STAFF DEVELOPMENT	\$16,203	\$3,636	\$16,203	\$17,059

0.48%

5.28%

EDUCATIONAL MEDIA

Salary & Benefits	\$58,119	\$58,216	\$60,992	\$75,523
Media Membership	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Library Books & Supplies	\$3,000	\$3,119	\$3,000	\$3,000
Equipment/Software	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000

TOTAL EDUCATIONAL MEDIA

2.23%

22.36%

SCHOOL BOARD/DISTRICT OFFICERS

Salaries & Benefits	\$3,443	\$2,956	\$3,243	\$3,262
Legal/Audit Services	\$7,800	\$7,082	\$8,250	\$8,450
Other School District Expenses	\$1,225	\$950	\$1,225	\$2,225
School Board Association	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

TOTAL SCH. BD./DIST. OFFICERS

0.39%

9.58%

Budget Committee's &
School Board's

	BUDGET 2013-14	ACTUAL 2013-14	BUDGET 2014-15	PROPOSED 2015-16	% CHANGE	% TOTAL BUDGET
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION						
Principal's Salary	\$74,256	\$74,256	\$76,112	\$79,695		
Secretary's Salary	\$33,335	\$33,904	\$34,081	\$34,846		
Benefits	\$43,503	\$42,208	\$44,741	\$46,060		
Copier / Maintenance	\$1,500	\$1,389	\$1,500	\$1,500		
Telephone	\$9,500	\$10,217	\$9,500	\$10,700		
Postage/Printing	\$700	\$658	\$700	\$700		
Supplies/Mileage	\$2,100	\$1,463	\$2,100	\$2,100		
Software	\$2,693	\$1,322	\$2,618	\$2,715		
Equipment/Furniture	\$200	\$0	\$200	\$200		
Professional Dues	\$850	\$324	\$400	\$400		
TOTAL SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION	\$168,637	\$165,742	\$171,950	\$178,916	4.05%	5.01%
BUILDING SERVICES						
Salaries	\$53,806	\$53,039	\$55,367	\$56,639		
Benefits	\$29,104	\$28,427	\$30,033	\$29,319		
Rubbish Removal	\$3,500	\$2,788	\$3,500	\$3,500		
Maintenance Services	\$16,300	\$15,222	\$16,300	\$16,300		
Repairs to Building	\$30,000	\$15,266	\$30,000	\$30,000		
Special Projects	\$11,896	\$8,896	\$20,000	\$0		
Property/Liability Insurance	\$5,750	\$4,420	\$5,750	\$5,750		
Supplies/Materials	\$9,700	\$10,066	\$10,000	\$10,000		
Electricity	\$24,500	\$23,538	\$24,500	\$24,500		
Oil/ Propane	\$34,875	\$33,094	\$31,250	\$31,250		
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
TOTAL BUILDING SERVICES	\$219,431	\$194,758	\$226,700	\$207,258	-8.58%	5.80%

Budget Committee's &

	BUDGET 2013-14	ACTUAL 2013-14	BUDGET 2014-15	School Board's PROPOSED 2015-16	% CHANGE	% TOTAL BUDGET
ELEMENTARY TRANSPORTATION						
Regular Elementary	\$135,200	\$140,357	\$140,600	\$141,281		
Athletic	\$2,900	\$2,140	\$2,900	\$2,900		
Field Trips	\$2,500	\$4,642	\$2,500	\$2,500		
TOTAL ELEMENTARY TRANSPORT.	\$140,600	\$147,139	\$146,000	\$146,681	0.47%	4.10%
STAFF SERVICES						
Student Loan Repay	\$1,000	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000		
Criminal Record Check/ Staff Physicals	\$1,500	\$642	\$1,000	\$1,000		
TOTAL STAFF SERVICES	\$2,500	\$642	\$2,000	\$2,000	0.00%	0.06%
FUND TRANSFERS						
Transfer to Food Services	\$125,000	\$44,279	\$125,000	\$125,000		
Transfer to Federal Projects	\$90,000	\$0	\$90,000	\$90,000		
Transfer to Capital Reserve	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$16,094	\$0		
Transfer to Expendable Trust	\$23,876	\$23,876	\$26,858	\$0		
Transfer to Capital Projects Fund	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$0		
TOTAL FUND TRANSFERS	\$253,876	\$83,155	\$297,952	\$215,000	-27.84%	6.02%
SUBTOTAL (ELEM. INSTRUC.)	\$1,922,983	\$1,680,948	\$1,994,931	\$1,932,203	-3.14%	54.07%
DEBT SERVICE						
Principle	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$85,000	\$83,000		
Bond Interest	\$12,269	\$12,269	\$8,957	\$2,600		
Interest on Cat. Aid Borrowing	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	\$97,269	\$97,269	\$93,957	\$85,600	-8.89%	2.40%
SUBTOTAL (ELEM. INSTRUCTION PLUS DEBT SERVICE)	\$2,020,252	\$1,778,217	\$2,088,888	\$2,017,803	-3.40%	56.46%

Budget Committee's & School Board's						
	BUDGET 2013-14	ACTUAL 2013-14	BUDGET 2014-15	PROPOSED 2015-16	% CHANGE	% TOTAL BUDGET
ELEMENTARY SPECIAL INSTRUCTION						
Salaries	\$125,745	\$105,458	\$111,677	\$124,239		
Benefits	\$56,158	\$43,271	\$48,798	\$49,456		
Vision/Audiology/Purchased Service	\$0	\$1,806	\$2,500	\$3,938		
Supplies/Books/Equipment/Mileage	\$1,950	\$701	\$1,050	\$2,000		
Elementary/MS Out-of-District Tuition	\$81,000	\$74,375	\$83,000	\$83,000		
Pre-School Tuition	\$21,660	\$3,960	\$12,000	\$9,000		
Psychology	\$10,000	\$11,384	\$10,000	\$7,700		
Speech	\$42,200	\$47,683	\$47,200	\$48,700		
OT/PT	\$21,400	\$18,051	\$30,720	\$30,720		
In-house Summer Program	\$2,444	\$2,215	\$2,444	\$2,477		
Elementary Special Transportation	\$40,000	\$22,625	\$25,000	\$13,500		
TOTAL ELEM SPEC. INSTRUCT.	\$402,557	\$331,528	\$374,389	\$374,730	0.09%	10.49%
TOTAL ELEMENTARY COST						
	\$2,422,809	\$2,109,744	\$2,463,277	\$2,392,533	-2.87%	66.95%
HIGH SCHOOL						
REGULAR INSTRUCTION TUITIONS						
Keene High School	\$723,521	\$651,142	\$761,158	\$750,240		
(60 students @ \$12,504)						
TOTAL REG HIGH SCHOOL TUITIONS	\$723,521	\$651,142	\$761,158	\$750,240	-1.43%	20.99%

Budget Committee's &

School Board's

	BUDGET 2013-14	ACTUAL 2013-14	BUDGET 2014-15	PROPOSED 2015-16	% CHANGE	% TOTAL BUDGET
TRANSPORTATION						
Regular - Keene High School	\$50,000	\$49,039	\$52,000	\$54,943		
TOTAL REG. HS TRANSPORT.	\$50,000	\$49,039	\$52,000	\$54,943	5.66%	1.54%
SUBTOTAL (REG. HIGH SCHOOL)	\$773,521	\$700,181	\$813,158	\$805,183	-0.98%	22.53%
SPECIAL INSTRUCTION						
Keene High School Tuition (8 students @ \$26,130)	\$191,008	\$179,070	\$241,722	\$209,040	-13.52%	5.85%
High School Out-of-District	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Special Instr. Transportation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
TOTAL H.S. SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$191,008	\$179,070	\$241,722	\$209,040	-13.52%	5.85%
TOTAL HIGH SCHOOL COSTS	\$964,529	\$879,251	\$1,054,880	\$1,014,223	-3.85%	28.38%
ADMINISTRATION						
SAU #29 - Westmoreland Share	\$177,564	\$175,274	\$179,155	\$167,090	-6.73%	4.68%
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	\$3,564,902	\$3,164,269	\$3,697,312	\$3,573,846	-3.34%	100.00%
PRIOR YEAR DEFICIT APPROP.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		0.00%
GRAND TOTAL	\$3,564,902	\$3,164,269	\$3,697,312	\$3,573,846	-3.34%	100.00%

NOTES

Case No.	Case Name	Case Type	Case Status	Case Date	Case Location	Case Description	Case Outcome
1001	John Doe	Personal Injury	Settlement	2023-01-15	New York	Car accident involving a pedestrian.	Settlement of \$50,000.
1002	Jane Smith	Contract Dispute	Outstanding	2023-02-01	California	Dispute over a software license agreement.	Partial settlement of \$25,000.
1003	Robert Johnson	Real Estate	Completed	2023-03-10	Florida	Dispute over a real estate transaction.	Settlement of \$100,000.
1004	Emily White	Medical Malpractice	Settlement	2023-04-20	Illinois	Medical malpractice claim regarding a surgical error.	Settlement of \$75,000.
1005	Michael Brown	Employment	Settlement	2023-05-05	Texas	Employment dispute involving wrongful termination.	Settlement of \$30,000.
1006	Sarah Green	Personal Injury	Settlement	2023-06-18	Ohio	Personal injury claim for a slip and fall accident.	Settlement of \$40,000.
1007	David Black	Contract Dispute	Settlement	2023-07-02	Georgia	Contract dispute with a construction company.	Settlement of \$60,000.
1008	Olivia Grey	Medical Malpractice	Settlement	2023-08-14	Michigan	Medical malpractice claim for a misdiagnosis.	Settlement of \$80,000.
1009	Benjamin Blue	Real Estate	Settlement	2023-09-01	Arizona	Real estate dispute over a property boundary.	Settlement of \$120,000.
1010	Mia Yellow	Employment	Settlement	2023-10-10	Washington	Employment dispute regarding wage and hour issues.	Settlement of \$35,000.
1011	Ethan Purple	Personal Injury	Settlement	2023-11-05	Colorado	Personal injury claim for a dog bite.	Settlement of \$45,000.
1012	Ava Pink	Contract Dispute	Settlement	2023-12-15	North Carolina	Contract dispute with a supplier.	Settlement of \$55,000.

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