November 7, 2004, 6 pm

19 Evergreen Ave. New London

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Elections: Presidential election results were discussed. Discrepancy between exit polls and voting machines was highlighted as well as a lack of interest to uncover the truth by party officials and media. Websites that had updated information will be forwarded

Central/State Update: Andy reported that there are currently 11 CT chapters, and encouraged the development and support of new chapters along the eastern shoreline. The state budget for this year is still pending. A fundraising letter will be sent in November-local Greens are encouraged to give. The state central committee is interested in minor party status and voter verified ballot status. There will be an election party in Middletown on November 13. A committee has been formed to decide whether or not to maintain a state office in Hartford. Andy invited local greens to attend the next meeting with him which is held on the last Tuesday of each month.

Charter Revision: Wade Hyslop is the interim chair of the newly created NL Charter Revision Commission. Tim Hanser has been appointed to the commission. He suggested pulling together folks to discuss changes to the charter. The first meeting has not been called.

Thinking Green: The weekly cable show of the NL Greens is aired live on Wednesday nights 8p-9p on CH25. Potential future guests were discussed.

Outreach Ideas: Members discussed outreach ideas including- holding meetings at Conn College, organizing a progressive cinema night (perhaps in coalition with other groups) Canvassing neighborhoods to identify supporters and issues that are important to NL citizens

Candidate Selection: Ideas for 2005 election were discussed including the following: Reexamine the principle of running candidates to win, start early, start now, create a candidate selection process that is open, establish criteria: what would we like to see in a candidate. A subcommittee will meet to suggest a plan to identify candidates. The proposed plan will be discussed at the next meeting.

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