

July 11, 2004

Recorder: Ronna Stuller Facilitator: Andy Derr Attended: Laura Cordes, Peter de la Rosa, Andy Derr, Kenric Hanson, Sile Herbert, Chris Nelson, Bob Stuller, Ronna Stuller

1. New London Charter Revision: There will be a meeting at City Hall on July 26 regarding plans to open the Charter for revision. Andy has a copy (available from the City Clerk for a small fee) and plans to attend the meeting; others are encouraged to come as well. A Green may be appointed to the 15-person committee. [Note: The meeting was held on July 19 when Andy was out of town; Bob and Ken attended.]

2. Public Access TV: The Outreach Committee (Sile, Ken, Andy and Ronna) met and were enthusiastic about hosting a show, with 4-5 hosts, each responsible for one show/month. Eastern CT Cable is meeting on July 12 to schedule programming for October/November/December; Sile and Ken plan to attend. We need a name (one suggestion - Thinking Green), as well as further discussion on whether the show is exclusively Green Party-focused or to be shared with non-Greens who have related interests. The Outreach Committee will meet monthly to coordinate TV shows as well as plan other events, possibly a movie series.

3. Getting Organized: Responsibility for meeting minutes and agenda has not always been clear, and updated information has not consistently been posted on the website. Various options for organizing these tasks were discussed. Decision: Bob will take over website management, so all information for the site goes to him; meeting chair and secretary will be rotated monthly and determined for the following month at each meeting.

4. Millstone Pre-Hearing: Sile attended and reported that the process favors industry rather than citizens, who lack the resources to provide the quantity and quality of documentation required. She spoke to Nancy Burton from CT Coalition Against Millstone, who recounted that her offer of support for the ICCE Conference was declined because CCAM was "not a good fit" with Dominion's generous sponsorship of the event. Sile has contacted Barbara Morgan to request an explanation and to follow up on the issue.

5. Green Party State Committee: Andy reported that 8 members were present at the last meeting. It was decided not to count two chapters that have not attended in over a year in determining the quorum. Reduction of quorum from 3/4 to 2/3 was passed. A proposal was presented for changing the Bylaws to add a procedure for declaring a chapter inactive for stated reasons (e.g., not sending a representative to State Committee meetings). A chapter declared inactive can return to active status upon request after 2 months. Proposal was voted on and approved. A proposal was presented to change the number of representatives a chapter can send to the State Committee. Formerly permitting up to 1 representative per 5 registered Greens, the new guidelines are: Up to 99 registered Greens - 2 reps; 100-499 registered Greens - 3 reps; 500 & over registered Greens - 4 reps. Several Greens are running for State or National posts this fall including Ralph Ferrucci, Joyce Chen and Nancy Burton. The process for keeping a local Green

Party bank account between elections was clarified. NL Greens need a Town Committee or 2-person PAC in order to conduct fundraising. The 2-person PAC was deemed more attainable but conflicted with previous stands of 'No PAC Money'.

6. Treasury Report: Rosa and Chris transferred the account. New checks will arrive within 10 days. Plans are in progress to form a PAC. The NL Greens will not request any state-held funds at this time.

7. Elections 2004 State Rep. 39th District - Bob attended a campaign meeting, chaired by outgoing State Rep. Wade Hyslop, for Lloyd Beachy and has committed to canvassing in his neighborhood for Beachy prior to the primary vote on August 10. It will be too late for the Greens to petition to run a candidate if Ernest Hewett wins the Democratic nomination. US Rep 2nd District - NL Greens plan to support the winner of the Democratic primary. Ronna volunteered to follow up on Rob Simmons' vote on the Patriot Act Amendment.

8. Raft Race Aftermath: Greens won! General consensus was that it is now time to pass on the champion raft to another worthy competitor. Ken will offer the raft to the NL Fire Department, after informing raft-builder Chris Barrett, in support of NLFD's continuing competition with the Manchester Fire Dept. Ideas abound for next year's built-from-scratch raft!

Next meeting will be August 15. Ken will facilitate; Bob will record.