# **New London Green Party**

September 7, 2014 - 19 Evergreen Avenue

In attendance: Pat Bolles, Kenric Hanson (facilitator), Mirna Martinez, Bud McAllister, Bob Stuller, Ronna Stuller (recorder). Guests: Bill Clyde, Irving Steel.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm.

Minutes from our last regular meeting on 7/6/14 were approved by consensus; minutes from the 8/9/14 special meeting were accepted for the record by consensus.

Treasurer's report: No change.

State Central Committee: Meeting was held on August 19. The slate of 2014 Connecticut Green Party was finalized; needs to submitted to SOTS by September 3.

### **Old business**

- (1) 2014 elections: Bill Clyde spoke briefly about his campaign and provided palm cards and pens to distribute in New London. He will be participating in a candidate debate at ECSI on Monday, October 20. Irving spoke about Republican candidate for State Senate Paul Formica. The NL Greens will update our website to provide election information, especially about Green candidates, but will try to provide links to other candidates in races where no Green is running, in order to help voters become educated.
- (2) Outreach: Committee has not met since July. Designing a new tee shirt was discussed, as well as creating a one page "Why Green? document. A additional idea: starting a bowling league, reaching out to interested youth in New London as well as the Waterford chapter. Ken was invited to join Mirna, Dan, Joan and Ronna on the committee.

#### **New business**

No new business.

### **Updates**

- (1) Sustainability Committee: No report; committee has not been active.
- (2) State of the City: Brief discussion of the 5 ballot questions in this year's election.
- (3) Education: BOE is meeting on Thursday 9/11 to determine how to proceed in superintendent search.
- (4) Riverside Park/NENL: Wholistic land care consultant Michael Nadeau toured 3 parks and presented about Landscaping for Clean Waterways on August 21. Down by the Riverside Festival will be held on Saturday, September 13.
- (5) Thinking Green: Will return on Tuesdays @ 7pm beginning October 7.

# **Announcements and upcoming events**

- (1) September 21 People's Climate March in NYC; buses available from New London
- (2) October 16 MLK Scholarship Fund Dinner
- (3) October 17-19 New England Environmental Justice Summit

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm. Next meeting will be Sunday, October 5.

Approved by consensus on October 5, 2014