

## **New London Green Party**

March 2, 2018 – 19 Evergreen Avenue, New London

### **Minutes, approved on May 6, 2018**

In attendance: Mirna Martínez (facilitator), Bud McAllister, Bob Stuller, Ronna Stuller (recorder).

The meeting was called to order at 7:13pm by Mirna.

- 1) Minutes from 2/9 meeting: Ronna moved to approve, 2nd by Bob; passed unanimously.
- 2) Treasurer's report: No activity; balance remains \$152.50. Our NationBuilder account is paused; we are in the process of enabling online donations through Anedot.
- 3) State Central Committee report:
  - (a) Howie Hawkins will speak at the Portland Senior Center tomorrow, 1-3pm.
  - (b) Annual Meeting/Internal Elections will be held on Saturday, May 12, 11am-4pm. Individuals are encouraged to run for co-chair (3 positions), secretary, treasurer, and National Committee rep (3 positions). The SCC approved \$300 expenditure to purchase an up-to-date state voter database.
- 4) Old business
  - (a) NLGP Fundraiser will be held on Saturday, April 17, 7-9pm, at Washington Street Coffee House; the event will include food, music, and raffle.
  - (b) 2018 Elections: Buchanan Auditorium at Mansfield Library has been reserved on May 5 for a 2nd Congressional District nominating convention; candidates for State Senate, State Representative, and Registrar of Voters within the district will also be able to seek Green Party endorsement at the convention.
- 5) Updates
  - a) Education and the Board: Current proposed budget represents a 4.3% increase, but reduces services due to fixed costs as well as increased number of students. Advocates are encouraged to attend upcoming deliberations and public hearings.
  - b) Riverside Park: Readjustment of the lot line between Winthrop School and the park is in process; a sidewalk has been constructed along Riverside Heights; Riverside Park Conservancy has grants for native plantings in the park.
  - c) CT transportation issues: ConnDOT held a hearing in New London on 2/28; state transportation fund has been raided, and DOT has few options for maintaining service levels; contact legislators in support of Shoreline East and SEAT.
  - d) Community Land Trust initiative: Options for affordable housing, community space and open space are being explored. Next informational event is on March 15.
- 6) Announcements and upcoming events

Tuesday, March 6: FRESH press conference at the Urban Farm, Mercer Street.  
Board of Education budget deliberations: 3/5 @ 6pm, 3/7 @ 7pm, 3/8 @ 7pm.

Next meeting will be held on Friday, April 6, 7pm, at 19 Evergreen Avenue. Starting in May, we will likely return to Sunday meetings. s

Ronna moved to adjourn, 2nd by Mirna; passed unanimously. Adjourned at 8:15pm.