

NEW LONDON GREENS
Minutes of the Chapter meeting,
November 9, 2008, 6:30 pm
at 19 Evergreen Ave, New London,
Bob and Ronna Stuller's house

Members present:

Ken Hanson
Andy Derr, secy
Ronna Stuller, Chair
Ron Suresha
Bob Stuller
Diane Ruhmshottel
Chris Nelson
Bud McAllister

1. Minutes.

Ken moved and Bud seconded that the minutes of the October meeting be approved as presented. The motion passed with one abstention.

2. Treasurer's report

Tabled to later in the meeting,

3. State Central Committee report

There was no SCC meeting since the October meeting.

6. Updates

e on Tea Horse (moved forward on agenda)

Bud reported that the OVCS at Conn College was interested in supplying volunteers to build the Tea Horse. He is asking many organizations to support the Tea Horse, and asking the NL Greens to provide a \$100 sponsorship. After some discussion, this was tabled to the next meeting.

4 Old Business

a. 2008 election debriefing

1. Ken Hanson for State Rep. In the 39 th Dist.

Ken received 8.5 % of the vote, more than half of Jason Catala's votes. Ernie Hewett received about 75% of the vote. Ken reported that there were 650 new registrations at Conn College (mostly due to the Obama campaign). Ken acknowledged that the campaign was a last minute one, and we didn't get 10% of the vote, which would have qualified us for some CEP money in 2010. There was general agreement that we should run a full bore campaign in 2010, with a complete organization in place by Memorial Day. Kudos to Ken for his accomplishment.

2. Scott Deshefy for Congress in the 2nd District

Scott received over 2% of the vote, which qualifies the Green Party for the ballot line in 2010. This will free up the candidate and the party for fund raising, which we need to do more of.

b. Town Committee

The officers and Art Costa met and laid out a plan for the election. Letters will soon go out to all registered Greens, and Nominations will be due in December.

5. New Business

a, Ron Suresha will soon become a Justice of the Peace!

b. Discussion of the NL Greens yahoo group, and what was appropriate for posting. It was agreed that the Green Times (a e-mail publication of the US Green Party), and some USGP press releases, and some items forwarded from the CT Green News list will be posted by Andy. If people have complaints about what is being forwarded, speak to Andy.

6. Updates

a.& b ReNew London and Land Value Tax, by message from Art Costa
The City Council passed a resolution in favor of LVT legislation. Mayor Cavanaugh is a strong supporter. Several legislators are interested in sponsoring a bill in January. Art attended a meeting of the CT Conference of Municipalities where LVT was discussed. ReNew London is sponsoring movies at Bean and Leaf. They are on 4th Sundays at 7:00 pm. They have been well attended.

c Sustainability Committee, from Ken Hanson.
The Sustainability Fair happened yesterday. The Committee is moving forward with carbon emissions measuring/carbon offset. They are working with local

groups such as One Last Stop. The November and December meeting are being moved to December 3rd.

d. Thinking Green

The show is booked through December. Hosts are needed for some of the shows.

2. Treasurer's report

The current balance is \$1,011.09. We owe \$50 each to Ken's and Scott's campaigns.

8. Next meeting

The next meeting will be at 6:30 on Sunday December 7, at Bob and Ronna's house, 19 Evergreen Ave. Potluck at 5:45- meeting will start promptly at 6:30.