

NEW LONDON GREENS
Minutes of the Chapter meeting,
December 7, 2008, 6:30 pm
at 19 Evergreen Ave, New London,
Bob and Ronna Stuller's house

Members present:

Ronna Stuller, chair
Bob Stuller
Bud McAllister
Andy Derr, secretary

1. Minutes

The minutes from the November meeting were not presented.

2. Treasurer's report

There was no Treasurer's report

3. State Central Committee report

The proposed change to the State Green Party Bylaws regarding membership in the CT Green Party (which the NL Greens has approved at least once before) has been sent to the chapters for approval. Andy moved, Ronna seconded, that the NL Greens approve this bylaw amendment. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Old business

A. Town Committee

We discussed the schedule for election of the Town Committee members, and discussed recruiting people to fill the slots from the various districts.

5. New Business

. Shore Line East Coalition

Todd O'Donnell of Union Station has been working to get Shore Line East service extended to New London on a more regular basis. Ronna moved, Bud seconded, that the NL Greens endorse this proposal. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Updates

a. ReNew London

ReNew London Council met with the Editorial Board of The Day on LVT, Farm to City, and NL Local First, and will be writing some Op-Ed pieces. Art reports via e-mail that NL Local First's membership is now half of the city's businesses.

B. Land Value Tax

There have been many endorsements of the idea, and a bill is being drafted for the legislature in January.

C. Sustainability Committee

The New London Sustainability Committee is distressed that the architect for updating the city's elementary schools is not supportive of LEED Standards. Ronna will ask Ken to provide us an update at the next meeting.

D. Thinking Green

The show will remain in the same time slot for the winter. Many slots are filled for the winter already. More hosts are needed.

E. Environmental Justice

Bud spoke about Van Jones, Green Jobs, and Environmental Justice. He will work on finding a guest for Thinking Green.

5. More new business

B. Getting to know Greens

Andy proposed that we host an event for Greens and Green supporters, with no business conducted, just a social event to get to know more of the Greens we've never met. He suggested that if we did a good job with written invitations, and phone calls, and PROMISED that there would be no business, many people might come. Tabled to next meeting.

8. The January meeting will be at 6:30 on Sunday January 4th, at Bob and Ronna Stuller's house, 19 Evergreen Ave. Potluck supper will precede the meeting at 5:45, and the meeting will start promptly at 6:30. This meeting will also include the elections for the Town Committee.

