

- ▼ I Date & Location
  - A New London Public Library
  - B Sunday, May 18th
- ▼ II Members Present
  - A Laura Cordes
  - B Chris Nelson
  - C Ronna Stuller
  - D Art Costa
- III Approval of last month's minutes deferred until next month's meeting
- ▼ IV Chris Nelson presented the treasurer's report
  - A A \$15 check to city for new voting lists was cut since the last meeting
  - B A check for \$100 was authorized for the New London Greens to become a friend of the New London Public Library
- ▼ V Ronna presented the final campaign committee report
  - A 2007 campaign books have been closed & Andy submitted final report
- ▼ VI Laura reported on the state central committee
  - A ballots must be postmarked by April 23rd
  - ▼ B convention on Saturday, April 26th
    - 1 socializing at 11:00
    - 2 convention at 12
  - C at the state meeting, a fair bit of time was spent talking about what constitutes an active chapter
- ▼ D Jerry Martin presented final report of the procedure process committee
  - 1 said committee got caught up in personality conflicts
  - 2 letter included proposal for budget process
  - E our chapter proposed that the state have an annual budget
- ▼ VII 2008 Elections
  - A Ronna has petitions for Scott & for presidential candidates
  - B Ronna went to 1NL meeting at Bill Cornish with Bill Leahy, new chair of NL Republicans
  - C nobody knew legality about cross-endorsing
  - D state party does not allow cross endorsing
  - E Ronna will meet again with Bill Leahy to discuss recruitment of candidate against Ernest Hewitt and the possibility of working together
  - F Ronna presented petition to bring sale of land to Cross Sound to referendum
  - G Dan Gross is coordinating petitioning. Openings at Stop & Shop in Waterford, Friday 10-12 or 12-2
  - H Art Costa will talk with John Russell
- ▼ VIII Chris presented proposed changes to NL Greens By-laws to accommodate the formation of a town committee
  - A Members present were generally receptive to the proposed changes.
  - ▼ B The following edits were suggested
    - 1 reference election law
    - 2 set election date to January

- 3 put section in V B to state that chapter officers will perform their normal functions in the committee
- ▼ IX Ronna spoke about upcoming fundraising opportunities
  - A All Souls is having a yard sale in June
  - B we can have leftovers if we set it a week later
- ▼ X Art gave an update on Re-new London
  - A next meeting is May 29th at NL library
  - ▼ B The group has picked two (2) objectives
    - 1 local economics
    - 2 building community
  - ▼ C Re-new London is in process of becoming a project of Henry George foundation
    - 1 501 c-3 status
    - 2 tax deductible
  - ▼ D Upcoming Events
    - 1 6/5 -6/7 GROW DEEP conference
- ▼ XI Ronna gave an update on Thinking Green
  - A hiatus for summer
  - B will pick up sporadic open spots
- ▼ XII Laura gave an update on Sustainability Committee
  - A at next meeting will finalize 2008 to-do
  - B have gotten lots of information from the City, especially City Manager
  - C still figuring out relationship with City
  - D gone through by-laws
  - E finalized name
  - ▼ F Art mentioned that they never got proclamation from City
    - 1 makes city part of Global Climate Change Initiative
    - 2 ICLE for \$600 will give tool to do environmental impact of city
- ▼ XIII Art reported on Charter Commission
  - A will next meet May 7th 6:30 in Council Chambers
  - B future meetings are first & third Wednesday
- ▼ XIV Other Announcements
  - ▼ A Riverside Park
    - 1 there was cleanup in park yesterday led by local neighborhood group
    - B Flavors of Life now offers organic fair trade t-shirt printing services if we need t-shirts in the future