

## **New London Green Party**

### **March 3, 2013 - DRAFT MINUTES**

In attendance: Bud McAllister, Chris Nelson, Lorain Simister, Dan Spurr, Bob Stuller, Ronna Stuller (recorder), Joan Sullivan-Cooper (facilitator)  
Guest: Mark Roberts

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Minutes from 2/3/13 were approved.

Treasurer report: No activity; balance remains \$1,467.70.

#### **State Central Committee**

- (1) The Bylaws Committee is continuing its work. Bob moved, Chris seconded that the New London Greens' chapter sponsor the proposed changes in Section V related to political candidacy and nomination procedures (previously brought forward by 5 individual members), passed unanimously.
- (2) 2013 CTGP Annual Convention has been scheduled for April 27; all candidates for SCC offices must provide information to Barbara Barry by March 18 at 9pm.

#### **Old business**

- (1) 2013 local elections - The Town Committee has met twice to discuss platform ideas and list potential candidates. Another meeting will be scheduled later this month. The "New London Promise" of providing higher education funds for New London graduates was discussed; response was favorable, and the information will be shared with individuals working on our education platform and candidate search.

#### **New business**

- (1) New London Library - As CONL has threatened to cut funding, do the Greens want to show support with a letter or a donation? Bud made a motion for the NLGP to donate \$100 to the library, Joan seconded; motion failed 6-1 (Bud). NL Greens are encouraged to support the library as individuals, rather than as political stance.
- (2) Neighbor Day - to be held on May 19 at Riverside Park. Lorain is organizing, and is seeking volunteers. Also, if anyone has tents to loan, or vendor ideas, contact her.
- (3) The Scope Magazine - plans to publish a print edition in April and is seeking content and ads. Dan moved, Bud seconded to purchase an ad; Bob made a friendly amendment, Chris seconded, to budget up to \$50; passed unanimously, Ronna will follow up with Scope.

#### **Updates**

- a. Sustainability Committee - no report
- b. State of the City - no report
- c. Riverside Park - Grant requests have been submitted for a butterfly garden (with Drop-In Center) and a rain garden (with NL Landmarks). Next park planning meeting will be held on April 9 at Winthrop School.
- d. Thinking Green - March is booked; Mark Roberts was added for April 2 on rCredits.
- e. New London Parent Advocates - no report

#### **Announcements and upcoming events**

St. Patrick's Day Parade - Sunday, April 17; Riverside Park Conservancy is marching.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm. Next meeting will be held on Sunday, April 7, at 6:30pm.