

New London Green Party

April 7, 2013 - MINUTES

In attendance: Andy Derr, Tim Hanser, Ken Hanson, Mirna Martínez, Bud McAllister, Bob Stuller, Ronna Stuller (recorder), Joan Sullivan-Cooper (facilitator)
Guest: Mongi Dhaouadi

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

Minutes from 3/3/13 were approved with one abstention (Ken).

Treasurer report: No report; Ronna spent \$50 as approved for ad in The Scope print edition.

State Central Committee

- (1) Ronna did not attend the March meeting due to weather advisory.
- (2) Ballots for the Annual Meeting have been mailed, and many members have already received theirs. Ronna provided some background information about the SCC internal election candidates.

Old business

- (1) 2013 local elections - Mongi and Mirna reported on the work of the NL Parent Advocate group, whose aims are closely aligned with Green educational values. We will polish our platforms (city and education), then use those positions to attract and recruit candidates. Council platform issues include the need to improve streets, sidewalks, and traffic control for more walkability.

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Updates

- a. Sustainability Committee - Has been charged with overseeing NL's natural hazards mitigation plan; will be meeting with the Mayor about renewing involvement in ICLEI and reaffirming Mayors' climate accord; still seeking members (see Ken if interested).
- b. State of the City - Downtown NL has been determined to be the site of the expanded USCGA Museum; budget hearings are being conducted all this week.
- c. Riverside Park - The Sandy Ground Project has offered to construct a memorial playground in the park; a Riverside Community Garden is being planned.
- d. Thinking Green - Tape this Tuesday; Todd O'Donnell on 4/16 on rail, CGA museum
- e. New London Parent Advocates - Concerns include large class sizes, too few counselors in middle school.

Announcements and upcoming events

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm. Next meeting will be held on Sunday, May 5, at 6:30pm.

Approved on May 5, 2013.