

# New London Greens

## Chapter of the CT Green Party

Minutes of Monthly meeting

January 6, 2008

3:00 pm

at the Public Library of New London  
63 Huntington St., New London, CT 06320

### Members present:

Ronna Stuller, Chair  
Andy Derr, Secretary  
Art Costa  
Bud McAllister  
Laura Cordes  
Pete de la Rosa  
Ken Hanson  
Bob Stuller

### Others present:

Scott Deshefy, Green candidate for Congress in the 2nd District

### 1. Approval of minutes

The minutes for the December meeting were approved as presented,

### 2. Treasurer's report

The Treasurer was not present, and no report was presented.

In a related matter, a decision on whether to become a 'Friend of the Library' was tabled until after a budget has been approved.

### 3. 2008 Elections

Scott Deshefy spoke at length on his campaign for Congress. He asked for help with several things, including appearing on Thinking Green, help with nominating petitions, Letters to the Editor, Fund raising, and arranging speaking engagements, including on the local campuses. He is not subject to the State Election Enforcement Commission rules that we are familiar with to some degrees, but the Federal Elections Commission, which has different rules. He is also looking for a Treasurer for his campaign (his wife is serving on an interim basis). He spoke about his reasons for running, and his issues, including the ecology health care, reducing consumerism, the war in Iraq, and alternative energy. He will be an agent for change, not supporting the status quo like Courtney and his likely Republican opponent.

The New London Greens voted unanimously to endorse Scott Deshefy for Congress.

We discussed the Presidential elections, and the Green debate in CA, and the Green primaries in CA and other states.

#### 4. 2007 Election

Andy Derr reported that the campaign will be wrapped up as soon as we raise \$200.00 more. There will be a final campaign wrap-up meeting on Sunday Jan 20 at 4 pm at Chris and Laura's house, 7 Greene's Alley, NL.

#### 5a. Proposals for local action

- Riverside Park - form a nonprofit?
- Voter reg in association with Presidential/Deshefy petition drives
- Progressive Co-op office a la Wrench in the Work in Willimantic
- Green Community Center
- Local currency and local economy
- Community Gardens

These will be on the agenda for discussion at the February meeting.

#### 5b. Structure of NL Greens

Tabled to February

#### 6. SCC report

Tabled to February

#### 7. Thinking Green

The Producer's meeting is next week to set the Spring Schedule.  
Scott will be on a show in February.

#### 8. NL Sustainable Community Initiative Committee

The Orientation will be happening soon, and the Committee hasn't met yet.

#### 9. Announcements

- Land Tax meeting Sat Jan 12 Public Library of New London . See Art Costa for details
- BALLE (Local economics) Tue Jan 15 Red Barn Cafe, Montauk Ave, NL See Art Costa for details.
- Non-violent Communication in depth training. in Feb. at BP Learned Mission. 18 hour course, \$99. see Pete de la Rosa for details
- 6th anniversary of Guantanamo Fri Jan 11. 2 pm., Chelsea Parade, Norwich. See Emmett Jarrett for details
- "Road to Guantanamo" Sun Jan 13, 5:30 Flavours of Life, Bank St., NL. See Bob Stuller for details.

## 10. Next Meeting

Sunday, Feb. 3, at 3 pm, Public Library of New London. Ronna will put an announcement in the Day.