New London Green Party Monthly Meeting

19 Evergreen Avenue February 5, 2012

Attended: Tom Cornick, Andy Derr (chair), Tim Hanser, Mirna Martinez, Bud McAllister, Bob Stuller, Ronna Stuller (recorder)

DRAFT MINUTES

- 1. Minutes from 1/8/12 were approved.
- 2. Treasurer's report Chris Nelson not present, but he called in beforehand to report that was no activity since the last meeting.
- 3. State Central Committee Ronna reported that there will be a Bylaws Forum in New Haven on Saturday, February 18, which she is planning to attend.

4. Old business

"Get the Greens out of the red" fundraiser - The event has been scheduled for March 8 at Lyric Café. So far, Hugh Birdsall and Dan & Liz have been confirmed to perform. More to come...

NL Green Town Committee elections - The map of our new districts, based on neighborhoods rather than old polling districts, was shared. The following Town Committee members were elected unanimously: Mirna Martínez (Freedom Trail); Pat Bolles (East New London); Dan Spurr (North of Bank); Andy Derr (Thames Hilltop); Tim Hanser (At-Large). We are still seeking representatives for our Downtown, South of Bank and South End districts, as well as one alternate.

2012 elections:

Presidential ballot access - Petitions should soon be available to collect the 7,500 validated signatures required to place Green Party candidates for the President, Vice President and US Senate on the ballot this November.

2nd District Congress - Colin Bennett is seeking the Green Party nomination for the office formerly sought by Scott Deshefy. We hope that Colin will attend one of our meetings in the future.

CT Assembly/Senate - At this time we have no prospective candidates for these offices.

5. Updates

a. Thinking Green - Tim will be next week's guest and will talk about city budget issues as they affect the Public Works Department. Guests and hosts are being sought for future shows.

- b. Riverside Park On Tuesday, o behalf of Friends of Riverside, Ronna will present a CDBG grant application for funding to rebuild the deteriorated stairway which connects Winthrop School with the park.
- c. CONL update Tim reported on scheduled public works projects, road paving, and problem spots.
- 6. The next meeting will be held on March 4, 2012, at 6:30pm.