# **New London Green Party**

September 8, 2013 - MINUTES

In attendance: Pat Bolles, Tim Hanser, Mirna Martínez, Bud McAllister, Dan Spurr, Bob Stuller, Ronna Stuller (recorder), Joan Sullivan-Cooper (facilitator)

The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm.

Minutes from 8/4/13 were approved.

Treasurer's report: Due to Chris' work-related absences, deputy treasurer Bob Stuller will take on local duties related to the election, while Chris will prepare the SEEC reports.

State Central Committee: Ronna attended an endorsement meeting for Laurie Rodgers, who is running for Selectman in Columbia, CT. This afternoon's Jill Stein event/candidate rally was well attended and successful. The Retreat is scheduled for Sunday, September 29, at the Killams Point Conference Center in Branford, and is a full-day event.

### Old business - 2013 local elections

- (1) This year's candidates are Mirna Martínez for Board of Ed, and Ronna Stuller for City Council. Sheila Lea has dropped out. All required documentation has been submitted to the City Clerk.
- (2) Joan was approved as this year's campaign manager.
- (3) A Campaign Meeting was scheduled for Friday, September 13, 5:30pm.

#### **New business**

No new business

## **Updates**

- a. Sustainability Committee no report
- b. State of the City Budget defeated, City Council will be looking at cuts. There will be a ballot question in November for approval of FY12 budget; it is unclear what will happen if it is not approved; hopefully, the city closed out the year below budget.
- c. Riverside Park Yesterday's Down By the Riverside Festival was a success! The park looked great. Peace Pollinator garden and rain garden are finished; Sandy Ground playground construction anticipated for mid-October.
- d. Thinking Green will be focusing on Green candidates in October
- e. New London Parent Advocates no report

# **Announcements & upcoming events**

October 16 - Martin Luther King Dinner

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm; next meeting will be held on Sunday, October 6, at 6:30pm.

Approved on October 6, 2013.