## **New London Green Party**

October 5, 2014 - 19 Evergreen Avenue

In attendance: Stephanie Gregerman, Tim Hanser (facilitator), Mirna Martinez, Bud McAllister, Bob Stuller, Ronna Stuller (recorder). Guests: Bill Collins, Baird Welch-Collins, Jason Morris.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm.

Minutes from 9/7/14 meeting were approved by consensus.

Treasurer's report: \$31 was spent to renew our PO box; balance is \$180.37.

State Central Committee: Meeting was held on September 22; Ronna was sick and did not attend. Baird reported that there was no quorum, so meeting was limited to discussion.

### Old business

(1) 2014 elections:

Bill Clyde is running for Congress; excluded from the 10/14 debate at the Garde, he is planning a pre-debate protest and has invited Libertarian Dan Reale to join him; there will be a debate including all 4 Congressional candidates on October 20 at ECSU. Lawn signs are available.

Bill Collins is running for State Rep (38th) in Waterford/part of Montville; he will take part in a debate on October 29; enjoying positive reception during campaigning.

Referendum – There will be a total of 6 questions on the ballot: 1 statewide on easing voting restrictions; 2 on the 2014 budget; 2 on bonding; and 1 on reauthorization of City & Town Development Act.

(2) Outreach: Committee did not meet; will schedule a date before our next meeting.

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No new business.

# **Updates**

- (1) State of the City: After some discussion, the group decided to research and provide education about the ballot questions rather than take a yes or no stand on each; especially on the school bonding issue there are currently not enough specifics available for an informed decision.
- (2) Education: BOE is in the midst of its superintendent search; there will be a workshop on Thursday on the building plan & bonding referendum question.
- (3) Riverside Park/NENL: The School Building & Maintenance Committee is exploring the possibility of funding the stairway from Winthrop into the park as part of the school project. Scenes from Riverside Park art opening will be October 18 at Union Station.
- (4) Thinking Green: Upcoming guests are Doug Lary (10/7), Bill Collins (10/14), Clyde & Reale (10/21).

### **Announcements and upcoming events**

- (1) October 16, 7pm—Growing Racial and Cultural Equity @ All Souls UU
- (2) October 17-19 New England Environmental Justice Summit
- (3) October 18, 12-3pm St. Francis House Fiesta

Meeting was adjourned at 8:41pm. Next meeting will be Sunday, November 2.

*Approved on 11/2/14.*