## **New London Green Party**

January 4, 2015 - 19 Evergreen Avenue

In attendance: Tim Hanser, Mirna Martínez, Bud McAllister, Jason Morris, Dan Spurr (facilitator), Bob Stuller, Ronna Stuller (recorder). Guests: Irving Steel, Judy ?.

The meeting was called to order at 7:19pm.

Minutes from 12/7/14 meeting were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's report: \$190 was received as a result of last month's appeal; balance is \$370.37.

State Central Committee: Mirna, Bud, Bob and Ronna attended the state fundraiser on December 20; it was fairly well attended by Greens statewide, and over \$400 was raised. The next SCC meeting is January 15; Bud and Ronna plan to attend.

## **Old business**

- (1) NLGP outreach: Planning a music fundraiser for February 21 or 28, tentatively; details to follow.
- (2) Town Committee: a meeting is scheduled for 1/25/15 at 6:30pm; agenda will include creating a 2015 budget and beginning the process for platform development and candidate recruitment for this year's municipal elections.

## **New business**

(1) The recent NLPD request for riot gear raises some concerns; interested individuals may want to attend Police Community Relations Committee meetings, held the first Tuesday of each month at the Senior Center. Kris Wraight is our Green representative on PCRC.

## **Updates**

- (1) State of the City: The City has received about \$1.5 million in grants for stormwater management, likely to be used for improvements at Greens Harbor and on Bank Street. Improvements are planned for downtown parking and traffic flow. New police cars are being purchased; they will have a second battery, to run lights with the engine off.
- (2) Education: Details of the MOU for the Performing Arts Magnet School at the Garde raise some questions and concerns; Mirna and Jason are working ton getting information out.
- (3) Riverside Park/NENL: Hodges Square Association is requesting funding through CDBG to install signs and to move the fountain back to its original location. Planned work on the Gold Star bridge and ramps may provide an opportunity for a mural project under overpasses. A bid waiver is being requested for design of Riverside Park stairway.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm. Next meeting will be Sunday, February 1.

Approved by consensus on 3/1/15.