# **New London Green Party**

May 3, 2015 - 19 Evergreen Avenue

In attendance: Stephanie Gregerman, Tim Hanser, Mirna Martínez, Bud McAllister, Jason Morris, Dan Spurr (facilitator), Bob Stuller, Ronna Stuller (recorder). Guests: Daryl Finizio (Mayor of NL), Rourke Kennedy, Laura Natusch.

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

Minutes from 4/5/15 meeting were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's report: Donations totaling \$50 were deposited. Balance is \$1,132.27.

State Central Committee: The annual meeting was held on Saturday, April 25. Election results: Co-chairs Mike DeRosa and Linda Thompson; Secretary Barbara Barry; Treasurer Chris Reilly. At the meeting, it appeared that no other candidate for co-chair had reached the necessary threshold, but later it was announced that, after correcting a tallying error, Rolf Maurer was elected third co-chair.

### **Old business**

- (1) NLGP outreach: Committee met to write thank you notes to musicians, raffle donors, and volunteers. Next meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 8, 8:40pm; planning for upcoming yard sale is on the agenda.
- (2) Town Committee and platform committees not met this month;

### **New business**

## **Updates**

- (1) State of the City: Budget hearings in process, 4.4% increase sought; improvements to downtown roads and parking are being planned; consolidation/improvement of maintenance of city and school properties is being discussed.
- (2) Education: Proposed budget includes 5.98% increase; Council is supportive so far. School maintenance, renovation of Harbor School are major facility issues.
- (3) Riverside Park/NENL: Public hearing on the Winthrop Stairs project will be on April 8, 7:30pm; RPC is seeking funding for its annual festival and to rebuild the park pavilion.

### **Announcements & upcoming events**

Neighbor Day, May 17, 10am-4pm Connecticut Environthon, May 21 Climate March in Hartford, May 31

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm. Next meeting will be Sunday, June 7.

Approved by consensus on June 7, 2015.