

**Green Committee, Town of East Haddam
Regular Meeting
River House
7:00 P.M. Wednesday, September 7, 2011**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was officially called to order at 7:10 by Chairman Ken Simon

A. Attendance:

Regular members present: Martha Hansen, Nancy Pincus, Ken Simon, Chad Peterson

Regular members absent: Jean Breuler, Terri Smith

2. Secretary's Report

Approval of May 2011 minutes

Chad Peterson moved to accept the minutes as presented, Nancy Pincus seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

3. Committee Membership – update

The Green Committee is authorized to have 11 regular members and 2 alternates. There is currently space for 3 regular members and 2 alternates. There was a discussion about recruiting more people to serve as alternates on the committee.

4. Member's Reports

A. Community Food Bank Garden update

The yield of the garden was reduced due to the summer drought and a lack of water at the school. The Moodus Fire Department watered the garden once, which helped a little. The garden is doing a little better due to the recent rain. Nancy expects to harvest pole beans and peppers soon.

C. Newsletter –Next edition

The next newsletter will focus on the recent storm “Irene” and will discuss emergency preparations, etc.

D. Grants and Grant Project possibilities –

The Rockfall Grant report has been submitted to the Rockfall Foundation.

5. Audience of Citizens – no public participation

6. General Discussion

A. Green Committee web page

Chad Peterson has been posting relevant material on the Green Committee's Facebook page. Martha will find out if a link to the Facebook page can be put on the Green Committee's town web page.

B. Single Stream Recycling

There will be a report on the town's recycling statistics in the next newsletter.

C. “Victory Garden” awareness, utilization & implementation (planting, canning, food storage)- Tabled.

7. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 5, 2011 at 7:00 P.M.

8. Adjournment

Nancy Pincus made a motion, seconded by Ken Simon, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Hansen, Secretary