

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

1. Call to Order

The meeting was officially called to order at 7:10 by chairman Ken Simon
The Green Committee will hold regular meetings on the first Wednesday of the month until further notice.

A. Attendance:

Regular members present: Martha Hansen, Nancy Pincus, Ken Simon, Chad Peterson
Regular members absent: Terri Smith, Jean Breuler

2. Secretary's Report

Approval of October 2011 minutes

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

3. Committee Membership – update

The Green Committee is authorized to have 11 regular members and 2 alternates. No more than 2/3 of the members can be from one political party. There is currently space for 3 regular members and 2 alternates.
Jean Breuler is moving out of town, and will be resigning. Terri Smith's work schedule has changed and she cannot attend meetings on Wednesday nights. Don Hansen and Robert Estep have agreed to be alternate members.

4. Member's Reports

A. Fiskars Grant for Food Bank Garden

Nancy Pincus has applied for a Fiskars grant (with the approval of the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance) to benefit the Food Bank Garden - \$3500 cash , \$1500 in Fiskars garden tools, etc. Fiskars awards 10 grants each year. One award is for a Community Garden Makeover for a 75'x75' garden (minimum size).

B. Community Food Bank Garden update

The October snowstorm killed the remaining plants in the garden.

C. Newsletter –no report

D. Events Magazine article

The Events Magazine article will contain an update on the Committee's activities and an appeal for members.

5. Audience of Citizens –no participation

6. General Discussion

A. Green Committee web & Facebook pages

The Facebook page is being updated regularly by Chad Peterson

B. Single Stream Recycling – tabled

C. 2012 Meeting Schedule

The 2012 Meeting Schedule has been filed with the Town Clerk, and will be emailed to Committee members.

7. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 4, 2012 at 7:00 P.M.

8. Adjournment

Chad Peterson made a motion, seconded by Nancy Pincus, to adjourn the meeting at 8:45. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Hansen, Secretary