

**Green Committee, Town of East Haddam
Special Meeting
River House
7:00 P.M. Wednesday, April 11, 2012**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 by Chairman Ken Simon.

A. Attendance:

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

2. Secretary's Report - Approval of March 2012 minutes

Martha Hansen moved, seconded by Nancy Pincus, to accept the minutes. Motion carried.

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 6 regular members and 2 alternates. There has been some interest from a few people, who will be encouraged to attend a meeting.

4. Member's Reports

A. Community Food Bank Garden update

There will be two working sessions this weekend, April 14 & 15 from 1 – 5 pm, to prepare the garden for planting. Please come and help if you can. Mitchell Farm donated some composted manure to the garden.

B. Newsletter

Ideas for the summer newsletter: The newsletter will highlight East Haddam's natural and man-made resources.

C. March 11 film update:

The turnout was light for the film "Fuel", which raised some provocative issues and some ways to address them.

5. Audience of Citizens –no participation

6. General Discussion

A. Letter from elementary school student regarding lack of recycling in school lunch room

The Green Committee will write a letter to the Board of Education regarding the situation to see if recycling can be increased at the elementary school. The student will also be encouraged to write a letter to the Board of Education.

B. Green Committee web & Facebook pages

The Facebook page is being updated regularly by committee members.

Meeting Schedule: next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 2, 2012, 7:00 p.m.

7. Adjournment

Chad Peterson made a motion, seconded by Nancy Pincus, to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Hansen, Secretary