**Minutes of GREN Executive Meeting**

**Sept. 8, 2010**

Present: John Jackson, Susan Bryant, Susan Koswan, Greg Michalenko, Theo Negoita, Kevin Thomason by speakerphone

Upcoming Municipal Elections:

* We reviewed Susan K.’s draft document *Waterloo Region: Creating a Sustainable and Resilient Community* to be sent to candidates stating GREN’s views. Greg will work on a tightened version. We’ll review it and e-mail it to all candidates.
* Fluoridation, amalgamation, and transit main election issues.
* Agreed that it’s too late to do a survey or report card on incumbents—Environmental Defense has a survey, and UW students are doing a report card.
* We will encourage GREN members to help/support the GREN members who are running: Yvonne Fernandes, Susan K. and Jan Liggett. And to go to all-candidates meetings to ask our GREN questions. Otherwise, GREN won’t officially endorse specific candidates.
* How to involve Guelph?
* Susan K. will get contact info for the 3 GREN candidates and send it to all GREN.
* Susan K. and Theo will work on putting links to candidates on the GREN website.

Next GREN Meeting – Sept. 29, 7:15, St. John’s Kitchen

* John will do an agenda and send notice of meeting to all GREN.
* Agenda will include setting the year’s meeting dates, discussion of possibilities for this year’s topics/speakers, pipeline committee report.
* One idea for topics is how to target leading institutions (RIM, UW, etc.) to take a lead on local environmental issues and to set an example by greening up their own practices.
* GREN will make a donation to St. John’s Kitchen for using the meeting space.

Minutes by Susan Bryant