

## Santa Fe Green Party Meeting Minutes 12/1/09

Attending: Marion Seymour, Gail Karr, Chris Calvert, Micheal Collins, Russ Tilsley, Maurice Webster, George Martin, Sean Knight, Rick Fabrick

Announcements: George Paz Martin, long-time Green Party activist, has moved to Santa Fe. Welcome. George will be giving a presentation titled: **"Working for Peace, U.S. and International Peace Movements"** at the Unitarian Church on **\*Tues., Dec. 8th\*, \*7PM\*** (on the corner of Galisteo and Barcelona, Ferguson Hall).

Treasurer's Report: No Report. Russ tells us we will be getting approx. \$450 from the State Sharing Program

Local Report: Councillor Chris Calvert, Dist. 1 asked for and received the endorsement of the SFGP for his re-election to the City Council seat.

State Report: We decided to Trademark the name New Mexico Green Party and The Green Party of New Mexico so that nobody else may use our name while we are de-certified as a minor party in the state of NM. We will have our **\*State Convention\*** on **\*March 20th\***

National Report: The National Committee has endorsed May 2nd as the day to abolish the use of Nuclear weapons. George has worked for this action and will be speaking about it at our meeting as the date nears. Rick still has a bunch of candles if we want to get a candlelight vigil going as one of the events of the day.

CLM Report: Gail Karr reported on the International Conference on Drug Reform. We are updating the pamphlet to include a call to increase the limit of the number of plants from 95 that a producer of medicinal marijuana may grow and also a call oppose taxing medicinal marijuana. Lowest Priority Initiative for Santa Fe will be put off until Nov. election due to low volunteerism and cold weather. Many new issues have come up as we look into the issue, such as people with medical marijuana cards from other states not being valid as they travel, even when the states they travel too have medical marijuana laws as here in NM, the sale of seeds and medicine being sold between states where there are laws permitting marijuana's use as medicine, drug testing within companies, etc. Lots to do, any volunteers?

The next meeting of the SFGP will be Jan. 5th, 7PM at the Pyramid Cafe