Minutes from Downtown 2020 Committee Meeting April 24, 2012 Room # 307 at 8:30 AM

In Attendance: Lou Gagliano (chair), Craig Rebecca Shaivone, Valerie Smith Malin and Bob Jacobs

Absent: Dan Kail, Gerry Kagan and Jeff Mayer

**Summary of Minutes** 

- 1. Minutes from the prior meeting were approved without any change.
- 2. Chairman indicated that his contact with David Waldman as to when the revised plans for the YMCA project would be available was sometime prior to the end of May, 2012.
- 3. Discussions took place with respect to the outline of the presentation to the P&Z scheduled for 7:00 PM on April 26<sup>th</sup>. The Committee approved the outline for the presentation and related Power Point as was distributed in draft form prior to the meeting. Members of the public in attendance commented on the presentation. In particularly Dewey Loselle suggested that we should position that all of the key items we have identified as to the efforts for downtown revitalization were and have been part of the planning process that P&Z has approved.

He went on to suggest, and it is clear from our presentation, that we need to move from planning to implementation. Chairman will coordinate the Power Point to be placed on the town web site under the Committee's location within the site.

4. A review of the upcoming meetings took place around the schedule provided by the Chair. He asked for members to come to those events where possible. He also pointed out those groups to which he was involved in finalizing planning efforts including the Library and the Rotary. He asked the group to help prioritize the remaining downtown stakeholders in terms of scheduling meetings with them. Bob Jacobs agreed to reduce the list of groups to an Excel spreadsheet to accomplish: recording of scheduled events and

related tracking by the group, and for use to obtain Committee member input in terms of those groups we should prioritize.

- 5. Committee discussed the issue of establishing a 501 not for profit organization to be used to raise funds in order to pay for some of the planning efforts that will be required particularly the Master Plan of Development. Chair agreed to develop these thoughts into a communication with the Town Attorney's office for guidance.
- 6. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 AM.