

Minutes from Downtown 2020 Committee Meeting May 24, 2012
Room # 309 at 8:30 AM

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

Absent: Dan Kail and Jeff Mayer

Summary of Minutes

1. No Minutes were reviewed, as they had not yet been distributed to the group in time to be reviewed.
2. Pat Pinnell architect, planner and consultant to town planning projects met with Committee and provided his perspective as to the planning process we are engaged. Many of his comments dealt with the unique feature of Westport differentiating our community from others, which are at the interchanges of major highways. Pat pointed out that along the coastline and due to our uniqueness features and not clogged with highway interchanges, many National high-end retailers see us as a desired location. Pat noted that the recent grant request if approved for the establishment and planning for a Village District would be to our substantial planning benefit. He agreed that one of our critical planning issues is the need to coordinate the timelines of the projects in the planning and execution phase. He also agreed to follow up and provide his thoughts of how we should consider proceeding and what his role might be.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 AM.