# Minutes of the Meeting June 19th 2012 Economic Development Commission Town of Brookfield, CT

Present: Hal Kurfehs Chairman, Peter Thompson Secretary, Ann Amorossi, and Mara Frankel. Absent Jim Fisher Vice-Chairman, Joe Rocky and David Matte. Chairman Hal Kurfehs convened the meeting at 7:08 P.M.

### **Approval of the Minutes of April 17th 2012**

Motion to approve minutes was made by Mara and seconded by Ann, Motion approved (Note there was not a quorum for the May meeting so minutes were omitted).

### **EDC Website Development**

EDC has the funds in principle to start development but must take an interim step of making a presentation to the Board of Selectmen for their vote continuance. The web site must have a consistent "branding" with the current Town website even though the EDC site will be more of a sales tool to investors than the Town site, which is largely administrative.

### 4 Corners Consultant Presentation

A joint Land Use Commission meeting to hear a presentation on the 4 Corners report by the consulting firm will be held on July 26th and all are urged to attend.

### **State Grants for Town Centers**

Grants are available to Downtown/Main Street centers from the State. The Town still has most of the \$500k grant it received earlier, only a small portion (about \$75K) has been committed for the consultant work.

## Western CT Economic Development Alliance (WCEDA) developments

\$120K needed for the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) study total, \$60K will be from EDA (U.S. Govt.) and \$30k from towns (HVCEO) and \$30K in matching funds from private industry. The CEDS Study selection of a consultant firm was narrowed down to two finalists

### **General Discussion**

Discussed progress of BJ's and Costco's expansion.

# Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by Ann, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM Peter Thompson, Sec.