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Diane Salmoiraghi, Commissioner



**Commission for Persons with Disabilities
Bristol, CT 06010**

**Meeting Agenda
March 13, 2024**

7:00 PM – City Hall, 1st Floor Meeting Room 1-1 and Virtual Format

Our Mission

To promote inclusion and improve the quality of life for people in Bristol with a disability, by providing a network of partnerships with local resources that foster self-sufficiency, dignity, and respect.

Reasonable Accommodation Statement

The Bristol Commission for Persons with Disabilities is committed to equal access to, and participation in, all meetings and Commission-sponsored programs and events. Individuals who require an accommodation in order to fully participate, including physical access, communication assistance, or other special need, should contact Daniel A. Micari at damicari@yahoo.com, at least seven business days prior to the scheduled meeting, program, or event.

Present:

Absent:

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: February 14, 2024

Presentation: Marco Palmeri, Director of Health, Bristol-Burlington Health District
Topic: Overview of health district programs, services, and mission

New/Current Business

*Introduction of new commissioner: Diane Salmoiraghi

*Tentative speakers for April and beyond

Old Business

*Lesson on American Sign Language

Correspondence

*From Chairman Micari to Deb Reed, National Federation of the Blind:

Dear Ms. Reed "Deb":

On behalf of the Bristol Commission for Persons with Disabilities, I thank you for your recent presentation at our February Commission meeting.

Your informative overview of National Federation of the Blind, including the organization's advocacy in legislative matters, impacting blind and low vision individuals, illustrated the scope of important unmet needs.

Also, your discussion regarding critical issues, facing individuals involving healthcare access, electronic form requirements, and challenges associated with medical office visits was enlightening.

The Commission for Persons with Disabilities looks forward to and is committed to working collaboratively with the "Federation", in an effort to advocate for and advance our mutual objectives.

Sincerely,

Dan Micari, Chair

Bristol Commission for Persons with Disabilities

Public Participation

Motion to adjourn:

Meeting adjourned:

Next meeting: April 10, 2024 at 7:00 PM

City Hall, 1st Floor Meeting Room 1-1

Presentation: Christina Benvenuto and Nancy Placzynski, Bristol Hospital
Leslie Warren, UConn Health

Topic: Deaf awareness and other healthcare information

Submitted by,

Andrew Collins, Secretary

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