

Daniel A. Micari, Commissioner, Chairperson
Tracy Beland, Commissioner
Gloria Ewings, Commissioner
Ruth Ann Graime, Commissioner, Secretary
Kristen Granatek, Commissioner
Greg Klimek, Commissioner
Joseph Krolikowski, Commissioner
Jacqueline Olsen, City Council Liaison



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

**Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2022**

7:00 PM – Bristol Public Library, Community Room 2 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: Micari, Olsen, Beland, Ewings, Graime, Klimek, Krolikowski

Absent: Granatek

Call to order: 7:00 PM, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: April 13, 2022 (Klimek/Krolikowski, passed)

Presentation: None scheduled

New/Current Business

*Chairman Micari announced that the \$500 ADACC grant was awarded to the Commission, enabling the Transportation Forum to move forward. Confirmed date: Saturday, October 1, 1:00 to 3:00 PM at the Main Library. Chairman Micari thanked Mayor Caggiano and Dr. Dawn Leger for their respective guidance.

*A discussion ensued on next steps, including the creation of subcommittees to continue the planning process throughout the summer: Commissioner Beland discussed the room set up and Forum framework, including a brief presentation by each panelist, and opportunity for audience dialogue. Chairman Micari encouraged reaching out to current non-users of public transportation. Further planning will occur at the June meeting; a special meeting may be held in August, date to be determined.

*The Bristol Police Dept is establishing a voluntary special needs registry. Commissioners expressed an interest in revisiting this topic that was previously tabled due to its controversial nature. Chairman Micari agreed to request a presentation by Lt. Osborne.

Old Business

None

Correspondence

None

Public Participation

Harley Graime suggested advertising the Forum at the summer Farmer's Market.

Motion to adjourn: Klimek/Krolikowski, passed **Meeting adjourned:** 8:05 PM

Next meeting: June 8 at 7:00 PM, Bristol Public Library

Presentation: None Scheduled

**Submitted by,
Ruth Ann Graime, Secretary**

