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

**Meeting Agenda
January 8, 2025**

7:00 PM – City Hall, 3rd Floor Meeting Room 3-1 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: December 11, 2024

Presentation: Dr. Sabrina Trocchi, President and Chief Executive Officer,
Wheeler Clinic
Topic: Overview of Wheeler Programs and Services

New/Current Business

*Tentative speakers for February and beyond

*Update on installation of smoke/CO detectors

Old Business

*Lesson on American Sign Language

Correspondence

*From Chairman Micari to Damien Saunders, Connecticut Outreach & Equipment Coordinator of the Connecticut Equipment Distribution Program:

Hello Damian:

On behalf of the Bristol Commission for Persons with Disabilities, I thank you for your presentation at our December 11th Commission meeting.

Your informative presentation provided a comprehensive overview of services offered by Hamilton Relay, including the wide range of telephone options for individuals who are deaf, blind, deaf/blind, and that customizable phone options are available, depending on consumer needs. A discussion of eligibility requirements, including disability qualification and Ct. residency, further outlined who can be served through the program.

Finally, I apologize for the technical difficulties that interfered with your set-up and presentation.

Sincerely,

Daniel A. Micari, Chair

Bristol Commission for Persons with Disabilities

Public Participation

Motion to adjourn: **Meeting adjourned:**

Next meeting: February 12, 2025 at 7:00 PM
 City Hall, 3rd Floor Meeting Room 3-1

Presentation: Mary Etter, Executive Director, Bristol Adult Resource Center
 Topic: Services at the Bristol Adult Resource Center

Submitted by,

Andrew Collins, Secretary

Join Zoom Meeting

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