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

**Meeting Agenda
February 11, 2026**

7:00 PM – City Hall, 3rd Floor Meeting Room 3-1 and Virtual Format

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Reasonable Accommodation Statement

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Present:

Absent:

Call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: January 14, 2026

Presentation: Larry Beaudoin, Board President, Agape House

New/Current Business

*Commissioners Reed and Bajurny: Discussion on the proposed topic of Living with a Disability. Motion to proceed with this initiative?

Old Business

*Councilor Tyler: Update on smoke detector installation

Correspondence

From Chairman Micari to Donna Dognin: On behalf of the Bristol Commission for Persons with Disabilities, I thank you for your presentation at our January Commission Meeting, on the topic of Veterans Strong Community Center. Your presentation included a discussion about the Center's History, Mission--Resiliency and Outreach--and a comprehensive overview of the Center's wide range of services, resources & networking connections, to the Veterans and Municipalities served. You masterfully illustrated the impact that your organization has on the Veterans Community. In your review of recent events and achievements, you further demonstrated VSCC's significant role in the lives of Veterans and Families. Finally, your anecdotal commentary and personal stories conveyed your concern for and genuine commitment to those who served our Country. I look forward to continued collaboration with you and VSCC. Sincerely, Dan Micari

Public Participation

Motion to adjourn:

Meeting adjourned:

Next meeting: March 11, 2025 at 7:00 PM

City Hall, 3rd Floor Meeting Room 3-1

Presentation: TBD

Submitted by

Ruth Ann Graime, Secretary

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Present: Micari, Bajurny, Graime, Krolikowski, Reed, Salmoiraghi, Tyler

Absent: Ewings

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

Approval of Minutes: December 10, 2025 (Krolikowski/Graime, passed)

Presentation: Donna Dognin, Executive Director, Veterans Strong Community Center Veterans Strong Community Center (VSCC), an outgrowth of the former Army Strong, was established by Donna in Bristol on July 1, 2016. Along with an assistant and a group of volunteers, VSCC serves as a regional resource for the veterans of Bristol and surrounding towns. Along with its vast partnerships with many community agencies and government departments, VSCC remains an active an active Center for socialization, addressing readjustment, basic needs, mental health issues including suicide awareness, financial assistance, recreational activities, and special military appreciation events, including Patriot's Day to honor Bristol's veterans, and a Salute Dinner for high school seniors going into the military. VSCC is located at Bristol City Hall. Appointments can be made at 860-584-6258 or info@vetstrong.org

New/Current Business

*Chairman Micari reported that he was unable to reach the scout leader who made the original request to the Commission for a presentation on how persons with disabilities navigate their lives. Commissioners Reed and Bajurny agreed to discuss the value of developing this initiative nevertheless, with a formal Motion to be brought to the Commission at the February meeting.

Old Business

*Smoke detector installation: In regard to the long delay in completing the installation, Councilor Tyler agreed to search for an independent electrician able to finalize the project.

Correspondence

None

Public Participation

There were active questions and feedback by the audience throughout the meeting.

Motion to adjourn: Krolikowsky/Graime, passed **Meeting adjourned:** 8:30 PM

Next meeting: February 11, 2026 at 7:00 PM
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Presentation: TBD

Submitted by,
Ruth Ann Graime, Secretary