



**Budget Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday January 22, 2024 at 6:30pm
Bristol Town Office**

Committee Members Present: Alex Beaudet, Tom Bishop, Paul DiMauro, Jef Howell, Chairman Paul Leeman III, Sandra Lucore, Mike Melville, Keith Mestrich, Mary Piasecki, Pat Porter, Karl McLetchie

Also present: Select Board members Chairman Chad Hanna and Paul Yates, Town Administrator Rachel Bizarro; Tax Collector John Riley

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chad Hanna, Chairman of Select Board, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Paul Leeman III called for presentations from the 11 non-profits requesting funding. Leeman also asked that all presentations be made in full before any votes cast for funding requests.

Mark Ziarnik of Olde Bristol Historical Society presented their request for \$9,500.

Zach Stegman of Life Flight Foundation presented their request of \$708.50 based on a rate of \$0.25 per capita.

Joan LeMole of New Hope Midcoast presented their request for \$2,400.

Dr. Chip Teel of Eldercare Network of Lincoln County presented their request for \$7,500.

Linda Shaffer of CHIP, Inc. presented their request for \$2,500.

Sandy Guibord of Healthy Kids presented their request for \$1,200.

David Watts of CLC Adult Education presented their request for \$24,398.

Shaun Forkey of Spectrum Generation presented their request for \$7,350.

Nick Bryant of CLC Ambulance presented their request for \$296,291.39.

LCTV had no representative, so Rachel Bizarro stated their request for \$20,000.

Bristol Area Library had no representative, so Rachel Bizarro stated their request for \$14,500.

Rachel Bizarro then briefly spoke on the Fuel Assistance program, the Worthy Poor Donation program, and the General Assistance program.

Budget Committee Chairman Leeman then called for a vote on the budget requests.

- Olde Bristol Historical Society was opposed 0-8 with 3 abstaining (Keith Mestrich, Jef Howell, Pat Porter) with the request for more information needed from OBHS President Mark Ziarnik.
- Life Flight Foundation budget request motion passed 11-0.
- New Hope Midcoast budget request motion passed 11-0.
- Eldercare Network of Lincoln County budget request motion passed 11-0.
- CHIP Inc. budget request motion passed 11-0.
- Healthy Kids budget request motion passed 11-0
- CLC Adult Education budget request motion was opposed 0-11, with a recommendation of tabling the issue for further discussion.
- Spectrum Generation budget request motion was passed 11-0.
- CLC Ambulance budget request motion passed 11-0.
- LCTV budget request motion passed 11-0.
- Bristol Area Library budget request motion passed 11-0.

Budget Committee Chairman Leeman then called for a review of the minutes of Budget Committee Meeting on December 19, 2023. The minutes were passed 11-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:36. The next Budget Committee meeting will be held on February 12th @ 6:30pm at the Town Office. Agenda items: Transfer Station, School Budget, Fire Department, Parks Department and Municipal Budget.

Respectfully submitted,

John Riley
Tax Collector