

## Town of Brentwood - Regional Associations Committee Meeting

December 3, 2025 Meeting at Town Office

Committee members present: Laura Hajjar (chair), Karen Veinotte, Michelle Siudut (clerk), Dawn Hanik, Pam McElroy

Laura called the meeting to order at 6 pm. Members each introduced themselves.

Motion by Karen, seconded by Laura, to approve the minutes from the January 7, 2025 meeting; passed 4-0.

Laura attended last night's Selectboard meeting, to request Pam McElroy be appointed as an alternate. Pam was approved until June, at which time she will need to go through the formal process for reappointment.

Laura stated she is currently the acting Welfare Director, therefore feels she should recuse herself from any voting. If appointed as Welfare Director, she will stay on this committee in an advisory capacity. Motion by Michelle, seconded by Karen to allow Pam to be a voting member.

Laura reviewed NH law regarding welfare requirements, types of direct assistance towns are obligated to provide, and the purpose/function of regional association committees. She explained the roles of the Welfare Administrator and this Committee. There is very little information available from the previous WA; Laura has been working to get the department organized.

Laura distributed an overview of all of the applicants requesting funding. Pam asked if the applications are available online for the public; no we have not posted the applications in the past. Pam asked to review the applications.

### **Austin17House**

Mission: *To reach youth and families that traditional institutions can't, by providing an after school mentorship program that supports local youth through the development of positive life skills. Our goal is to always have an atmosphere of fun and self-acceptance while creating friendships and building a strong community.*

Funded in previous years; no request in 2025. This year's request is \$4,500.

Revenue \$235,272. Expenses \$221,861.

Brentwood residents served: 50 youth/200 families

### **Rockingham County Community Action (formerly SNHS)**

Mission: *We dedicate ourselves to addressing poverty in the midst of plenty in this nation by opening to everyone the opportunity for education and training; the opportunity for work; and the opportunity to live in decency and dignity.*

Pam said RCCA works directly with electric, propane, etc companies, to pay a percentage of an individual's bill.

They have consistently requested \$5,707; this year's request \$5,707.

Revenue \$46,081,907. Expenses \$45,631,907.

Brentwood residents served: 58

### **Exeter Area Charitable Foundation/Children's Fund**

Mission: *To provide warm clothing, footwear, and bedding to our area's most vulnerable children. Municipal grants are only used to fund the CCF Clothing voucher program. Last year their budget increased 14% due to a jump in requests and the board-approved voucher value increase of \$20 each.*

Last year they requested, and were approved for \$1,000. This year's request is \$1,000.

Revenue \$145,037. Expenses \$182,788.

Brentwood residents served: 14/\$2,160 plus \$500 to Swasey and Great Bay Carter, \$750 to SST/EHS/CMS

**OneSky**

Mission: *Assist people with developmental disabilities to live as valued and participating members in their communities.*

They have not requested funds since 2022. This year's request is \$900. Our understanding is they give money to Waypoint and we fund Waypoint directly.

Revenue \$18,987,421. Expenses \$19,291,024. Brentwood residents served: not reported

**Rockingham County Meals on Wheels**

Mission: *Support long term health, independence, and well being. This means support in 2 areas essential to helping our clients "age in place" at home, nutritious meals and transportation. They serve both hot and cold meals. Both nutritional and human interaction that can counteract feelings of isolation and loneliness. Our service is critical for many to maintain their independence and sense of connection to the community.*

Funded \$2,100 in previous years; no request in 2025.

Revenue \$4,531,837. Expenses \$4,489,332. Brentwood residents served: 23 people/3,050 meals

**TASC**

Mission: *help people maintain their health, independence, and dignity by mobilizing volunteer drivers to provide rides to eligible residents of the NH Seacoast communities we serve.*

They have consistently asked for \$750; last year we funded \$750

Revenue \$265,845. Expenses \$152,953. Brentwood residents served: 8/\$1980

**Waypoint**

Mission: *Empowering people of all ages through an array of human services and advocacy.*

Last year, they requested and received \$3,300

Revenue \$23,131,164. Expenses \$23,965,011. Brentwood residents served: \$922 value

Motion by Karen, second by Michelle to approve:

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|---------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Austin17House             | request \$4500  | awarded \$3500 |
| SNHS                      | request \$5,707 | awarded \$5700 |
| Community Children's Fund | request \$1,000 | awarded \$1000 |
| One Sky                   | request \$900   | awarded 0      |
| Meals on Wheels           | request \$2,100 | awarded \$2100 |
| TASC                      | request \$750   | awarded \$750  |
| Waypoint                  | request \$3,300 | awarded \$2000 |

for a total of \$15,050; passed 5-0.

The Selectboard previously approved this budget at \$15,000. Laura will ask them to increase our funding an additional \$50, for a total of \$15,050.

Next meeting: Jan 14, 2026 at 5pm to approve minutes and discuss this committee's submission to the Town Annual Report.

Motion by Karen, seconded by Dawn to adjourn at 6:56 pm; approved 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,  
Michelle Siudut