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**Minutes Paxton Council on Aging**

**John Bauer Senior Center**

**17 West Street**

**Wednesday, February 21, 2024**

**Meeting was called to order at 9:30AM by Chairman, Anita Fenton.**

**Attendees: (Members): Joan Bedard, Anita Fenton, Robert Callahan, Curtis Hammer, Kathryn Mahoney, and Donmarie Sespaniak; (Associate Members): Natalie Siemen and Robert Lamotte; (Director): Cindy Love; (Guests): Dick Bedard and Richard Fenton.**

**AGENDA:**

**Old Business:**

**Anita presented the new COA Bylaw document (see enclosed document) changes that had been made by the Adhoc Bylaw Committee that met on February 16<sup>th</sup> to the bylaw, modifying the heavily redacted document previously obtained from town counsel (see enclosed document).**

**Anita made a motion to approve the new COA Bylaw. Kathryn seconded.**

**The vote was unanimously in favor of approval. This is the form of the COA Bylaw that Anita will present to the Selectboard on February 26<sup>th</sup> for their approval to be placed on the warrant.**

**In the event that the Selectboard or town counsel disapproved of the changes, Anita also had a Citizens' Petition presenting the same form of the Bylaw that had just been approved by the Board. Signatures were added by anyone present who agreed with its new form. She will also ask other residents to sign it after they have read the Bylaw to ensure there were well over the 10 required resident signatures.**

**New Business:**

**Anita made a motion to accept the name of Dick Bedard as an Associate member to the Board. Donmarie seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.**

**Meeting adjourned at 10:05AM**

**Respectfully submitted**

**Anita Fenton**

**Acting Clerk**

**New Business:**

**Anita made a motion to accept the name of Dick Bedard as an Associate member to the Board. Donmarie seconded and the vote to approve was unanimous.**

**Meeting adjourned at 10:05AM**

**Respectfully submitted**

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Anita Fenton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Anita" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Fenton".

**Anita Fenton**

**Acting Clerk**

