

## **Minutes of BCOA Meeting February 21, 2024**

The BCOA meeting was called to order by John Jope at 9:00 a.m. There were six Board members and 5 guests present.

The first order of business was a motion made to accept the resignation of Elaine Ryan as COA Board Clerk/Secretary, and to elect Jan Kraemer as COA Board Clerk/Secretary for the remainder of the fiscal year effective immediately. A vote was taken and unanimously approved. Elaine will remain as a full voting member.

John also stated we need 3 more members on the board. And, that we are now waiting on the Town Council to approve Tom Coyle as a COA board member.

Kelly Howley gave an update on the Valentine Special held at the senior center. She stated the Thrive magazine for March and April will be much more extensive due to more participation of members during the spring summer season. There will also be a St. Patty's day luncheon at the center on March 12th.

Tom Coyle mentioned that the VA Cafe group will be meeting once a month going forward.

There was a discussion about some ideas to improve Dunns Pond for more accessibility to the disabled (i.e. the blind and handicapped).

John stated that he had only received 1 response on the self evaluation form he sent to all board members. He asked that everyone please complete it by the March meeting, and drop it off at the front desk at the senior center.

Tess August stated that in the last twenty five years the FBCOA had donated \$1,658,823.59 to the BCOA and Senior Center

John stated that the state COA will be meeting in October of 2024.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Ellen Queeny and seconded by Kathy Strudwick. It was unanimously approved and the meeting was closed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jan Kraemer/Secretary

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