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The motion passed 5 to 0.

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Gerald Schwalbe made a motion to approve the meeting summary as corrected. Alan Baudler seconded the motion.

Motion passed 5-0 by voice vote

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