



**SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES**

**August 27, 2025 ~ Anchorage Senior Activity Center/Zoom**

<b>Members Present</b>	<b>Members Absent</b>	<b>Guests</b>
Abi Haring-Brito – Chair Jim Bailey Gordon Glaser Debbie Bear Dr. Emily McMahan Suzanne Hickel Anne Tompkins	Traci Willet (U)	Judy Atkins, public Maureen Haggblom, AHD ADRC Stephen Stone, MOA Public Transportation Sandra McMahon, MOA Public Transportation Maria Owens, MOA Public Transportation John Ruyak, Center for Safe Alaskans  <b>Staff Liaison:</b> Laura Baldwin

**Call to Order**

Commissioner Haring-Brito called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. with a quorum.

**Approval of the Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda**, Commissioner Bailey; seconded by Commissioner McMahon. **Hearing no objections, the motion passed.**

**Approval of the March 26, 2025 Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes as presented**, Commissioner Bailey; seconded by Commissioner Hickel. **Hearing no objections, the motion passed.**

**Introductions**

**Presentations**

John Ruyak from **Center for Safe Alaskans** presented about Older Driver Safety. Commissioners Hickel, Haring-Brito, Glaser, Tompkins, Hickel, and McMahan spoke, and guest Maureen Haggblom spoke.

Stephen Stone from MOA Public Transportation presented about the **Transit on the Move** plan. Commissioners Glaser and Tompkins spoke.

**Legislative | AARP Report**

**Commission Focus Points**

Commissioner Haring-Brito spoke.

### **Continuing Business**

**Older Americans Month Kick-Off Event / Ron Hammett Award** – event wrap-up  
Commissioner Haring-Brito and guest Judy Atkins spoke.

### **New Business**

Commissioner Haring-Brito announced she will be stepping down as Chair at the end of 2025.  
Nominations and election for incoming Chair.  
Planning and goals for 2026.  
Letter of Support (Commissioner Hickel) for Alzheimer's Resource of Alaska.  
Alzheimer's Resource of Alaska will be presenting at the September meeting.

### **Public Comment**

#### **Commissioner Comments | Announcements**

Commissioners Bailey, Glaser, Tompkins, and Hickel spoke.

### **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Bailey; seconded by Commissioner Glaser. **Hearing no objections, meeting adjourned at 10:58.**

**Next Meeting – Wednesday, September 24, 2025**