

**Minutes
Village of Arlington Heights
Senior Citizens Commission
Transportation and Affordable Housing Subcommittee Meeting
1655 N Arlington Heights Road
Suite 302 East, Arlington Heights, IL 60004
August 15, 2025
12:30 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Feldman called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ROLL CALL

Present:	Also Present:	Not Present:
Fred Feldman	Tracey Colagrossi, Liaison	
Steve Raminiak		
George Motto		
Fred Vogt		

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COMMISSIONER FELDMAN REQUESTED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JUNE 13, 2025. COMMISSIONER RAMINIAK MADE A MOTION AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MOTTO. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MINUTES OF JUNE 13, 2025, WERE APPROVED.

IV. REPORTS

Commissioner Raminiak reported that the survey to assess older adult's need for housing affordability gained more responses after it was incentivized with offering program dollars for programs. With eighty responses, the survey had 16 respondents self report that they spend over 30% of their income on housing.

Commissioner Raminiak added that next best step is to share this data with the Housing Commission. The Transportation subcommittee will create recommendations as to how a program might look like to help older adults stay in their homes. A short memo created for the Housing Commission to be presented with the data collected. At the last Housing Commission, Commissioner Vogt and Raminiak reported that the Housing Commission requested any data to share that would be helpful. The Commission discussed the memo and requested it to be sent to the Housing Commission. Liaison Colagrossi will draft a letter for the Commission to review.

Director Tsagalis inquired if any research was done to look at other municipalities that had any policies for older adult housing. The subcommittee agreed that it was a good idea, and Liaison Colagrossi will research and report back.

Chairperson Vogt stated that the meeting between Wheeling Township Supervisor, Trustee, Health & Human Services Director, Liaison, along with Commissioner Motto and himself will

be rescheduled for Friday, September 12 at 11 AM at Wheeling Township. The discussion will be around Age-Friendly and transportation.

Commissioner Feldman reported the RTA had a public forum a week ago Wednesday. He monitored to find out what the RTA was doing. The subject of the call was the communication systems of any of the public transit agencies are interacting.

They're all separate and distinct. And one of the goals of the RTA is to integrate them all into one single comprehensive communication system, which they say will take from one to three years to achieve. The RTA is still facing a \$771 million fiscal cliff. The General Assembly has brought has made several suggestions ideas on fundraising so that the RTA can be financed by the General Assembly without a lot of fare increases and service cutbacks. One idea was a "pizza tax" which would have people who order food delivery or items online a \$1.50 tax on the transaction

V. OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

No new business was discussed.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Announcements/Correspondence

No announcements or correspondence.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

COMMISSIONER FELDMAN CALLED FOR A MOTION TO ADJOURN. COMMISSIONER RAMINIAK MADE A MOTION AND COMMISSIONER MOTTO SECONDED. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MEETING ADJOURNED 1:50 PM.