

Owen Brown Village Board Meeting August 12, 2025 Owen Brown Community Association

Owen Brown Community Association 6800 Cradlerock Way, Columbia, MD 21045

The Board of Directors of the Owen Brown Community Association, Inc. conducted its regular meeting of the Board on Tuesday, August 12, 2025, at the Owen Brown Community Center.

Present: Chair, Brad Butler (virtual); Vice Chair, Linda Ortiz-Byrd; Mae Bealle; Adil Ahmend and OBCA Secretary/Manager, Ilana Sambuco-Paul.

Two residents also present.

Not Present: CA Rep., Michael Golibersuch.

Call to Order

Linda called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

1. Approval of agenda

Approved by consent.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes from June 10, 2025 (open and closed)

Adil Motioned to approve, Mae seconded. All approved.

3. Resident Speak Out

4. Presentation from Jessamine Duvall:

Jessamine presented on the Columbia Housing Center and the new Columbialiving.org website. She explained that the goal of the website is "to "sell" Columbia to people who are looking to live in Howard County." She is looking for partner support from the villages to review content for accuracy and collaborate on content shared.

5. Previous Action Items

Ilana reported on previous year's credit card fees. Fees were a little under \$5000. This year, fees may be less, due to event platform collecting some fees.

6. Financials:

Brad motioned to approve the 990 Statement. Mae seconded. All Approved.

7. Discussions

Thank you notes: Brad was looking to discuss "thank you notes" further but had not had time to create a list. It was discussed that a thank you should be sent for the playground/bench upgrade. Brad motioned to have a thank you note writted, Mae Seconded, all approved. (Adil not present for vote, but the note was assigned to him for action item.

August Work Session was cancelled due to lack of topics.

8. Reports

OB CARES Report. Linda reported on having a plant give away at the Carnival in September. Sign-up will go out in the next newsletter. Adopt a spot will be coming up soon, but the date hasn't been set.

Manager Report: No questions on the written report. Ilana highlighted August 18 print deadline for the Observer.

9. Review of action items

• Adil to write Thank you for the playground/bench upgrade that was recently completed by CA.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted, Ilana Sambuco-Paul