

**Minutes of the  
Dorsey's Search Community Association Board of Directors  
4765 Dorsey Hall Drive, Ellicott City, MD 21042**

Held: December 10, 2025

***Approved: 1/14/2026***

The Board of Directors of the Dorsey's Search Community Association, Inc. conducted its regular Board meeting on Wednesday, December 10, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Ellen Mackey - Chair  
Derek Carey - Vice Chair  
Eric Miller  
Russell Stephenson  
Richard (Dick) Boulton  
Delilah Holmes - CCR  
Ingrid Hatz, Village Manager  
Anne McKissick, Covenant Advisor  
Nancy Meredith, Administrative Assistant

Absent:

Ellen Mackey called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

*The Board of Directors added Unfinished Business under Business.*

**I. Adoption of the agenda:**

**Action:** Ellen Mackey moved to adopt the agenda; **Seconded:** Russell Stephenson;  
**Vote 5-0-0.**

**For:** Derek Carey; Ellen Mackey; Eric Miller; Russell Stephenson; Dick Boulton

**Against:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

**II. Guest/Resident Speakers**

1. Jeremy Scharfenberg – Vice President of Community Operations – will attend late and will give his report when there is a break in the agenda for him to speak
2. Resident Speak Out
  1. James Handley – Candidate for Howard County Council District 1
  2. Kathy Bernard: questions about tree planting and adding a free little library in a townhouse association

**III. Approval of November 12, 2025 Board of Directors meeting minutes**

**Action:** Ellen Mackey moved to approve the November 12, 2025 Board of Directors minutes;  
**Seconded:** Eric Miller;  
**Vote 4-0-0**  
**For:** Ellen Mackey; Eric Miller; Derek Carey; Russell Stephenson

**Against:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

#### **IV. Reports**

1. **Covenant Advisor** – none

2. **Manager**

1. Future Board of Director Meeting dates
2. Senior Holiday Lunch is on Thursday, December 18
3. The Village office will be closed starting on Tuesday, December 23 starting at noon and re-open on Monday, January 5 at 8am.

3. **CCR**

1. Report submitted
2. Columbia Association (CA) Board of Directors meeting on Thursday, December 11; please check the CA website for future Board meeting dates
3. Calvin Ball, Howard County Executive, spoke about the Lakefront Library; you may watch a recording of the meeting via the CA website; the lakefront library will be built on the site where a lot of the food trucks park when there are events at the Lakefront.
4. Manager reported that CA will be working with Harford Alarm to replace an old, deteriorating security system; upgrading to a better monitoring system.

#### **V. Business**

1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Financial Report

**Action:** Ellen Mackey moved to accept the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Financial Report; **Seconded:** Eric Miller; **Vote 5-0-0**

**For:** Ellen Mackey; Derek Carey; Dick Boulton; Eric Miller; Russell Stephenson

**Against:** 0

**Abstain:** 0

2. Jeremy Scharfenberg – Columbia Association Vice President of Community Operations

Report submitted; thanked the Board for the Open Space Luncheon

3. Unfinished business

1. Cluster mailboxes

1. Documentation was found in the Columbia Association files that legally state that Columbia Association does not own any cluster mailbox despite the information that the Postmaster is telling people.
2. Trying to work with the Postmaster at the Ellicott City post office to find a solution for replacement boxes.
3. Looking to have some kind of solution in place in January
4. Another source to help with the boxes is the USPS Inspector General

#### **VI. Board Member Comments**

1. All Board members wish everyone a Happy Holiday.

**VII. Adjournment:** The Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Nancy Meredith*

Assistant to the Village Manager