

Crane Lakes Homeowner's Association, Inc.

Board Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2026, 7:00 PM

The Crane Lakes Homeowners Association Board of Directors meeting was called to Order by President Laurie Garrison at 7 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Board Members Present – Laurie Garrison (President); Bobbi Eskey (Vice President); Vita Loparco (Secretary); Adrian Deschaine (Treasurer); Pete LaRocca (Director); and Angie Hucknall (Director).

Board Members Absent – (All Board members were in attendance)

Laurie Garrison introduced the 2026 HOA Board.

President – Laurie Garrison
Vice President – Bobbi Eskey
Treasurer – Adrian Deschaine
Secretary – Vita Loparco
Director – Pete LaRocca
Director – Angie Hucknall

Bobbi Eskey thanked the 2025 board members for their service to the community. All they did was greatly appreciated.

Bob Rosato – President
Pete LaRocca – Vice President
Lee Roberts – Treasurer
Karen Beal – Secretary
Donna Schedeneck – Director
Sharon Sommer – Director
Vita Loparco – Director

Secretary's Report

Vita Loparco reported the minutes of November 13, 2025 meeting are posted on the website. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Bobbi Eskey and seconded by Angie Hucknall.

Treasurer's Report

Adrian Deschaine provided the Treasurer's report which is posted on the website. Adrian provided an update on the totals of the checking and money market accounts and the CD balances. The Treasurer's report was approved on motion by Pete LaRocca and seconded by Angie Hucknall.

New Business

- Laurie Garrison presented the 2026 goals and activities for the community. She stated that as a social HOA, this year's Board will focus on providing a variety of events to the residents of Crane Lakes. Due to the popularity of last year's Shredding Event, the Board is looking at bringing that back this year. The popular Informational Luncheons will be continued, and she asked for members to let the Board know what topics they may want to have presented. She also asked members to let Angie Hucknall, the Activities Chair, or any other Board member, of any events they may want to have in 2026. Check the Monthly Courier and weekly Blast for upcoming events.
- Pete Larocca presented the HOA workshop and meeting calendar for 2026. A copy of the dates will be posted on the website and on the main HOA bulletin board across from the workout room.
- Bobbi Eskey announced Lynn Barnes is the new HOA membership committee chairperson. She stated that membership forms are available on the HOA website, on the HOA bulletin board and will be in the February Courier.
- Angie Hucknall provided an update on upcoming events for the first quarter of 2026. She mentioned that the board would like to have a dance for the younger members of the community, featuring the music from the 80s and 90s and asked for a volunteer from that age group to serve as chair.

Open Forum

Real Estate tax

Dave Little brought up how the state's recent proposal to eliminate property taxes would not benefit us; that we would still be required to pay the year-end ad valorem taxes. He questioned whether communities like Crane Lakes could be included in the proposal in some manner. Laurie Garrison stated that this is the type of issue the FMO handles and that is why it's so important to join the FMO. She said we are looking at having the FMO district leader as a guest speaker in March.

HOA Membership

A member asked how many HOA members there are and suggested people be offered incentives like a box of donuts for joining. Bobbi Eskey said there were 319 members in 2025.

It was also mentioned that new residents receive a complementary membership for their first year.

Jeanne Cox asked if HOA membership fees could automatically be part of the monthly rent or year-end fees since it's only \$25. Laurie Garrison stated that she has spoken to

Vicky Moore about this. However, since the payment of these fees is not in the prospectus, it cannot be done.

Craft Fair

The bake sale was missed at the last craft fair. Sharon Snyder stepped forward to chair the bake sale for the upcoming Fair.

Volunteer Luncheon

Bonnie Barich mentioned that some of the volunteers that worked the Trash and Treasure event were accidentally not included on the volunteer list and did not get an invitation to the luncheon. She asked if the Board would pay for a pizza event for them after this year's event. Laurie Garrison stated that this will be discussed at the next workshop meeting in February.

Trash and Treasure Tables

Bonnie Barich asked if the people who volunteer to work the Trash and Treasure event can each receive one free table. If they want additional tables, they would purchase them. Laurie Garrison said this would be discussed at the next workshop meeting in February.

Grocery Bags Collection

Donna Klaum is leading a group that is crocheting plastic grocery store bags into mats for the less fortunate. The group needs more plastic bags. Donna asked if she could place a donation box in the ballroom for people to donate their extra bags.

Adjournment

Being no further business, President Garrison adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

The next HOA meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on March 12.

Respectfully submitted,
Vita Loparco
Secretary