

April 15, 2026; Meeting of the Board and Executive Committee of the Crystal Lake and Community Association, 6:30 p.m. Zoom format

Present.

John Fernandes, President
Chris Brickman, Vice-President
Carol Ing, Treasurer
Linda Mielewczyk, Membership Co-ordinator
Sharon Brickman, Secretary
Absent;
John Hubbard, Past President/Board member
Rainey Weidauer, Board Member

John Fernandes called the meeting to order.

Minutes:

-adoption of March 18, 2026 minutes; moved by Sharon B. and seconded by Linda M. that the minutes be adopted, all in favour – passed. Sharon will send these minutes to Jim R. for posting.

Financials/budget:

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| Current financial status; | Bank balance; | \$16,989.94 |
| | Pay Pal | \$ 1,262.04 |
| | Total | \$18,251.98 |

-Music in the Park - secured Aug 13/26 with “Margin Call” (Crystal Lake band) - waiting on invoice

-previous minutes bring forward;

-Donation to Turtle foundation of \$100 has been made. Others agreed donations are still to be processed.

-FOCA invoice to be paid estimated \$1,600

-2025 financial statements are with Terry McKinnon for review with target to be completed by AGM in June. Tax returns to follow.

AGM; June 14th, 2026;

-keynote speakers; Carolyn Richard (KATVA) and Janice Freun (rodenticides) – 20 min each – Sharon to follow-up with details to each of them

-John H. (call with John F.) and Rainey W. (email) have confirmed that they will stay on as Board Members

-Board members will be reaching out to individuals to encourage nominations and seek a replacement for the Lake Stewardship position

-Linda is going to prepare the draft deck for the Executive presentation

-previous minutes – bring forward ;

-the Hall has been reserved from 9:00-3:00

-Chris will ensure we know how to work the Fair Board video equipment in advance of the meeting

-Chris will check on the quantity of paper plates and other items that are left over from previous events

-2026 will be an election year the current Board advised their intentions as follows;

-John F. will not stand for another term as President. John, would become past president

-Chris B. will stand for another term as Vice President

-Linda M. will stand for another term as Membership Sec.

-Carol I. will stand for another term as Treasurer

-Sharon B. will stand for another term as Secretary

-need to request support from the membership for possible \$5 increase in membership fee (to help offset increasing insurance costs)

-2025 AGM follow-up; Safe and Quiet lakes volunteer (Jenny T.)

Insurance:

-Update: since this meeting, John has provided some additional information and recommendations by e-mail for discussion at our next Exec. meeting

-previous minutes – bring forward:

-Cyber insurance; John H. advised that we pay a flat premium and there is no option to increase the deductible to provide a premium discount

-John H. presented a possibility to increase our limits on the cyber policy at a cost of \$100/year, this would double the protection.

Partnership promotion:

-Once all Partners have confirmed for 2026, Chris will prepare a ¼ page “shout out” to all our partners to be published in the Gazette (likely May/June)

-Board Members will continue to promote our partnership program with businesses as opportunities arise

Membership: Linda Mielewczyk

-150 memberships to date

2026 Newsletter:

-aiming for first week of May release

-previous minutes - bring forward:

-Chris is seeking input/ideas;

-Music in the park schedule

-all CLCA and other Lake and Galway Hall events

-President’s message

-Turtle guardians

-AGM details

-Seeking Nominations for Board and Lake Steward

-testing results

2026 events:

-Linda is leading the Ice break-up contest it is going well with many positive comments

-Ice break-up; there are now 15 valid guesses out of 42. Linda will post a pic of the current ice status and buoy

-Update: April 17th p.m. was the winning guess from Sarah W. she will receive \$210

-Chris will follow-up on an e-mail request related to a Craft event and suggest it may be better suited to a Galway Hall event

-previous minutes - bring forward

-Canada Day Flotilla – July 4th, 2026;

-Ice Cream bars – Carol will provide Allison with the cost from previous years

-there will be prizing for top 3 (members only). Linda to price decorative paddles

-route will be around Clear Bay; need to work out logistics for start and sign-up locations

-need to ensure it is clear who is the lead boat and get started at a set time

-registration details will be in the newsletter

-Rainey has provided a draft flyer

-Haunt the Docks - August 22/26

Next meeting; May 12, 2026 6:30 zoom and will include the Event Team

On-going Items - provide updates as needed:

-Welcome signs:

- Mike Leblanc feels he will be able to make the necessary repairs to the Galway Road/Hwy 121 sign.
- The Galway Road/Clear Bay sign does not require immediate repair

Stewardship:

Emergency equipment/training:

Policies:

- Chris and Carol have developed an accounting and travel policy which Chris that has been shared with the Exec./Board– we will move this forward to a future meeting

Buoys: Chris Brickman

- there is an outstanding request to have a buoy located at the mouth of Ironmine Bay