

Minutes for 2/12/18 were read and accepted.

R.C. report

I attended the All Region meeting. There was a lot of good information and camaraderie, also a great lunch. I screwed up in the last region report and said the meeting was being hosted by region 18, it should have been region 15. I'm sorry for any confusion this may have caused.

A telephone conference will be held March 22nd for the field meet. I have instruction on how to attend if you would like to listen in.

Reported on the BOD meeting was given.

June 5th is the freedom rally, we need to attend if at all possible.

Treasure report

We received our MRF membership certificate and patch for our 14th year of support.

We received ABATE income and expense reports for January and February and the Seminar. ABATE budget for 2018 was also received.

The treasurer report was given and approved.

Products report

We have enough look twice signs for the Pig Fest.

Legislative report

I went over the ABATE legislative agenda and the letter from Dondi dealing with the proposed No Fault law repeal.

March 14th is legislative day.

The MRF has concerns with the NHTSA traffic safety facts document specific to motorcycles. First it states that these statistics includes mopeds, scooters, and off road bikes, and second, it states that 25% of motorcycle fatalities involve alcohol, but makes no mention that 28% of fatalities in passenger vehicles involve alcohol.

This implies that only Motorcyclist have this problem.

The MRF also attend meetings concerning the Future of Transportation Fuels and Vehicles and a Highway and Transit Subcommittee meeting on infrastructure funding. Check the MRF web for more on these meetings.

AMA reports the Ethanol industry is pushing for approval of E30 in all NON flex fuel vehicles.

In Michigan a new law allows electric bicycles on streets and some trails. three classes of E-bikes are electric when pedaling, electric with no pedaling, both limited to 20 mph, and electric with pedaling up to 28 mph. You must be 14 to ride a class 3 bike, and 14-18 must wear a helmet.

Old business

We need volunteers for the table at the Pig Fest.

New business

We got a list of rider education classes in Michigan. the closes to us is in Eaton county, one at LCC west campus, and one at Capital Harley Davidson.

A motion was made to make tentative plans for a ride to the Vermontville Fest, weather permitting. More on this next month.

I started out today with it looking like spring, by the time I head out to the meeting it was a !@#@\$%#@ snow storm. It looks like winter will have to have it's cold fingers pried off of Michigan. It will happen, have faith.

Nick

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