

Meeting 11-28-18 • Meeting called to order at 7:14 pm • The Pledge of Allegiance led by Linzey • Legislation Report read by Alice Elections are over. We have Democrat Governor, Lt. Governor, Attorney General & Secretary of State. The House and Senate are still in Republican hands, so will see how things work out. Region 11 has new House Reps, and some of the “old” reps are now Senators. A listing of the new reps is available; use it to connect these new folks to see where they stand on motorcycle rights. Insurance reform is one of the big topics to be taken up in Lane Duck. Detroit billionaire, Dan Gilbert has jumped on the bandwagon of insurance reform saying he cannot attract people to live in Detroit with such prohibitive insurance costs. We need to make sure we stay involved in any “reform” they contemplate. Dan Gilbert is very successful in getting what he wants out of the legislature, no matter that he cannot, personally make any political contributions because he still owns Greektown Casino. Tuesday, November 27th, seven bills were introduced repealing the no-fault law, and repealing the MCCA; although the “taxes” that currently make up the MCCA will still be required; they just get dumped into a new fund that is open to legislative examination. Legalized marijuana, the subject of Proposal #1 will become law on December. 6th. Just know that although the new law allows up to 2 oz. Per person, all legal weed must be tested by licensed labs. Dispensaries will need to obtain a second, recreational license in order to sell recreational weed. Weed cannot be smoked in public, and cannot be used while driving. LARA has one year to get the rules and licensing process in place, so it will be the middle to end of 2019 before dispensaries are selling recreational weed legally. All currently unlicensed dispensaries will be able to stay open until 12-31-18. Proposals 2 & 3 also passed; we will now hire another governmental board, made up of representatives from both Democrat Party, and the Republican Party, and also a couple of folks with no party affiliation. These people will be the ones who draw up the voting districts every 10 years. Prop 3 allows for online voter registration, and same day registration. So, if you don’t get around to registering to vote beforehand, you will be able to walk into your voting precinct, show ID, register to vote, and then vote. Both proposals amend Michigan’s Constitution so there’s no going back if it doesn’t work. Topics of Interest: The State Police roadside drug testing trials (called preliminary oral fluid analysis) are now over. The pilot program took place in Berrien, Delta, Kent, St. Clair & Washtenaw Counties. Data from those counties is now being analyzed by the State Police and once the results are determined they will be presented to the Legislature. It will then be up to the legislature to fund additional pilot studies, or to legislate the program into law, which would include the funding statewide. SB1212—Auto Insurance; revises the Limousine, Taxicab and Transportation Network Company Act by revising requirements to reflect the elimination of mandatory automobile insurance. SB1213-- Auto Insurance; revises the Motor Bus Transportation Act to reflect the elimination of mandatory automobile insurance. SB1214—Self Insurance; revises requirement to belong to the Michigan Catastrophic Claims Association for local governments in municipal corporation group self-insurance pools. SB1215—Auto Insurance; revises law to reflect the elimination of mandatory automobile insurance as it relates to vicarious liability of Albion College for volunteers. SB1216—Auto Insurance; revises law to reflect the elimination of mandatory automobile insurance as it relates to vicarious liability for nonprofit corporations for volunteers. SB1217—Auto Insurance; revises Michigan Vehicle Code to reflect the elimination of no-fault automobile insurance. SB1218—Auto Insurance; revises the Insurance Code of 1945 to revise the handling of catastrophic claims. Voting for member of the year; Paul brought the votes from the Almont meeting. 7 votes for Bruce Biscorner • Jan. 13th will be our Holiday Party/ Chili Cook Off/ Broomstick Tournament at Total Sports from noon till 5pm. • Jan. 18-19-20 Seminar • March 31 Bowling • Summer Tour is one month behind already and Tony is no longer running it. Snooks is taking it over. • No meeting next month • Almont meeting is held the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm at Chicky’s • Everyone should have gotten their bike tickets in the mail, you can either send them in or turn them in to Tiny. • Meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm