

November 2017 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 4:10 pm. With the Pledge, a moment of silence for the troops home and abroad, past and present. Prayer was given by Sharon who also mentioned a pray for the Melcher family. A guest, Karen Southgate from Tuscola DHS was here as well.

Sharon couldn't give us a reading of the minutes from last month so we moved on to the Treasurers Report with Shelby. She went over a few items and all is well!!!

Karen gave us an awareness report with 725 students being taught, with more coming in November. Most of the LOOK TWICE, SAVE A LIFE signs are down for the winter. This helps keep them in good condition for next year. Dean and Julie Kreh donated another 900 folders for the awareness classes. Thank you Dean & Julie!!! Karen also talked about buying some Banners, one in particular for using in parades and other events.

Butch gave us a Legislative report and handed out a 5 year report after the helmet bill went into effect. Then he talked about the handle bar bill that should be voted on in the very near future! Butch has been going to Lansing weekly and if anyone would like to go with him and see what goes on, you're more than welcome to go along with him, just give him a call!!!

Covering the old business, we discussed the Bike Raffle ticket sales with Mary Anne Carder selling the most for our region!! Good job Mary Anne and as always, you win a free room at the seminar for all your effort!!! Carved in Stone weekend was a fun time again this year! It was also our Toys For Tots Run and this year they are going to Tuscola County. Karen Southgate from DHS was here to take them back to be distributed to needy Foster children. Thanks to all who donated!! October 29th was our annual Pumpkin carving with AMMO. We all took turns carving our pumpkins and then we had a GREAT pot luck dinner that couldn't be beat!!! Winners were: 1st Place-John, 2nd Place- Tim, and 3rd Place was Chelsea!

Next was new business, starting with the Christmas party. It will be at Chizzies Bar & Grill in Carsonville on 12/9 at 4:00p.m. As in years past, the party is a Pot Luck, so bring a dish to pass. Santa Claus will be here again to hand out presents. The gift exchange is as before, bring a gift to get a gift and it's a \$20 limit on gifts. Please mark the gift if it's for a Male or Female. Also the region will buy you two drinks for each person, as before. The State Seminar is January 19, 20, and 21 in Lansing. Make sure you reserve your rooms!!! There are going to be some VERY interesting Break-out sessions this year and some very good speakers as well. Very informative!! If you can't make it for the whole weekend, make sure to be there Sunday morning to vote for the Board of Directors and any By-Law changes that are on the

ballot. It is very important that you do vote!!! It is vital as an organization that the members vote and voice their opinion as in who is on the Board and what this organization will do! We then had a short discussion on events for next year, with a motion being made by Dean not to add or delete any events. It was seconded by Wes, voted on and passed.

Opened the floor for questions and Wes asked about the autonomous vehicles, if they were recognizing motorcycles yet. My response was that as of that day, according to the MRF, there are no requirements for them to recognize a motorcycle!! You need to call your Senators and Representatives in DC and let them know you want that changed!! Megan from the MRF is going to all the meetings and keeping us informed on all that!!!

Oh, did I mention that at this meeting we had our Annual Chili Cook-Off?? Finally, after many years of trying and cooking chili for this event, Marlene Krause was chosen the winner!! Congratulations Marlene!! Thanks to all who brought chili, toppings, breads and desserts! Meeting was adjourned at 5:20.

Wishing all a HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!! Good Luck Hunters!!! Till next month, Tim