

ABATE REGION 19 MEETING

March 5, 2019

NEW MEETING TIME!! 7 PM Still CJ's Upper Deck

We started the meeting with a moment of silence for Fiz Przybylo. He was on the ABATE of Michigan Board of Directors for over 30 plus years and was a long time MRF State Rep for Michigan. Many from Region 19 attended his memorial. We went around the room relating our personal experiences with Fiz. He set a great example for others and will be sorely missed.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT – Vince Fabis prepared a legislative update and reminded us of the Legislative Days that are still upcoming. The Freedom Rally will be June 5.

SECRETARY'S REPORT was approved as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Pete gave us an update of our status.

AMA/MRF – We discussed two federal issues:

- An effort to revive America's Scenic Byways program passed the U.S. House of Representatives. H.R. 831 (has been closed for six years)

- Six motorcycle manufacturers have joined together with the vision of increasing safety for on-road riders in the United States through data driven approaches and collaboration with relevant stakeholders. American Honda Motor Company, BMW Motorrad, Harley-Davidson Motor Company, Indian Motorcycle Company, Kawasaki Motors Corp. USA and Yamaha Motor Corporation USA teamed up.

MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH –May is only a couple of months away! We will be having a couple of Awareness Spots on May 4 which is the ABATE State Awareness Day. Pete had the idea of talking to Boomer (a long-time supporter of Region 19) to do something at the Shark's Club in Waterford. Hippy Bill mentioned the Waterford Expo at Mott High School. Probably too late for this year (March 21), but maybe next year.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

Chip will check on having a Waterford Firefighter do a First Responder course on May 7

Pete attended Region 14's meeting and said they had a great turnout. We discussed having a future meeting in combination with Region 14.

Minutes by Vince