

Wow! Gasoline prices are climbing! Who saw that coming? With the current administration so concerned about eradicating all policies set by Orange Man Bad, no matter how beneficial they were to the working folks, rising gas prices are going to hit you about 6 inches below your belt and by that, I mean in the wallet in your back pocket. After referring to his mystic 3x5 notecards, Squinty Frail Man decided that he had to increase fossil fuel prices in order to make renewables more competitively priced. Bad for you, good for Green Deal and China. How does he do that? Simple; by declaring war on the petroleum companies. Cancel the XL, threaten the Dakota and Line 3 pipelines, and ban new exploration and leases, which is a backdoor fracking ban he said he'd never implement. By doing these things and imposing more needless regulations, gas prices have climbed up \$.75 per gallon since the Orange Erasure Crew took office - and that's just for 87 octane. Wait until you have to take out a 90 day note to fill your bike tank with 93. If your truck has a 22-gallon tank, Squinty Frail Man just charged you an additional \$16.50 to fill up with 87 and it's only February! Why? Because Orange Man Bad had our nation being energy self-sufficient and that resulted in lower gasoline, heating fuels, and electrical prices. That kept solar and wind to a minimum because it is expensive and impractical in its infancy. Squinty Frail Man's cards demand the removal of anything Orange so wait 'til you see your monthly electric bills escalate. Whoo Hoo! Squinty Man takes more money from you in ways that you and I have never even thought about. When gas prices rise, do you think his elite supporters really care or are impacted? If aviation gas and jet fuel was \$100.00 per gallon, do you think Leo Di Caprio, Bill Gates, the other DE platforming media moguls, or Ketchup King, John Kerry much give a shift? Do ya think they may be forced to cut back on their global gallivanting trips or their travels to Iceland and foreign tropical resorts? Maybe they'll have to cut back on their political contributions by a hundred million or two? Nah! They feel no pain at the pump. But I know when it costs you north of \$20 to \$25 to top off that bike tank, you're gonna have some decisions to make. Vince Consiglio likes to tell us how he spent twenty dollars on gas during his Sporty's first trip to the west coast. He'd be hard pressed to make it from his place to Lansing on twenty bucks nowadays.

The unemployed pipeline welders were told to seek jobs in the solar panel industry. Not much specialized welding on those panels unfortunately, and over 80% of them are made in China. Squinty Confused Man likes China. "Come on, man." China good to Squinty. Good to son Hunter and brother Jim too! Bobolinsky, not so much "These are great folks." So put away those welding helmets and stingers! Learn Mandarin and boom out to Wuhan! Maybe you can carpool with my Sturgis hosts who worked for Peabody Coal out west. Pants Suited Kam-Pain is suggesting all recently, and future unemployed coal miners apply for jobs defusing abandoned land mines in a country to be announced. I don't know what abandoned land mines have to do with coal mining. Nobody else does either, which is why she dropped out of her primary so early. The jobs may be subsidized by the U.N. They keep track of unexploded ordinance like that. Great pay. Little in retirement but an excellent death and dismemberment benefit package is offered. Heavy turnover is the norm. Leave those hand tools and all of that monster heavy equipment behind! Forget all of that technical training you've had! Leave your friends and family too and boom out for a better green career over in.....? she's not sure where you'll be relocating to so you can't tell the bank where to send the eviction notice or repo order just yet either but maybe you could hitch a ride with one of the Hollywood elites on their jets. Just look for the ones that despised Orange Man Bad. I'm sure they feel your pain and want to help you. These are great

employment opportunities for you but move quickly because the great influx of thousands of undocumented migrants illegally crossing our southern border daily are looking for life changing employment too. On second thought, I'd hold out to get on the crew that's going to retro fit all of the gas stations with electric vehicle plug in outlets. Try to get on with the guys fabbing up the poshest most lavish waiting rooms since it takes a while to "fill up" these electric vehicles and everybody will want to be comfortable during the charging hours required.

I think anybody with the I.Q. of a root vegetable would want to inflict the least amount of pain and unemployment caused by a plan that takes 29 years to achieve. Why are we shutting down anything now if the goal is to be reached 29 years into the future? Couldn't this goal be reached with less unemployment and pain at the pump now by using a little common sense? Somebody please revise Squinty Confused Man's cheat sheets! He'll do whatever the 3x5s say!

We called our March meeting to Order and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. The Minutes and Treasurer's Report were approved as submitted. Chuck gave an excellent MRF Report and educated us on the Federal efforts of the MRF on our behalf. The Legislative Update was given and the challenges of trying to get things done in Lansing was outlined. There was a recent LO teleconference that supplied some information as well. The insurance companies have donated more money than we could ever come close to. They are telling our legislators that we haven't been paying our fair share for years and this current insurance situation is our comeuppance. LIES! Who else is forced to purchase useless coverage that they can never benefit from?

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A.) Our current billing problem with the MRF was gone over one more time for the third month in a row.
- B.) Poker Run Update was given and it's time for our annual meeting with Rory.
- C.) Sadly, Region 4 had to cancel their Chili Cook Off for this year.
- D.) Pub Crawl posters and publicity report was given. Chair Barbie was given time at the end of scheduled business to discuss this year's games, their location, and their presenters.

NEW BUSINESS

- a.) Lack of posting of our events in the Michigan Rider was taken care of.
- b.) We asked for a date to be set with Johnston Printing for all posters to be done at once for our events.
- c.) Meeting date and participants with Delta County Park Commission was discussed.
- d.) Field Meet Committee has requested a \$100.00 donation for the Field Meet bands from Region 17. Discussed and voted on.
- e.) Recognition plaques for Bald Eagle Harley Davidson and U.P. North Lodge were discussed and voted on.

Barbie then took over meeting to discuss the Pub Crawl.

Our heartfelt condolences go out Cheryl and Tom and Patty and Clyde Lancour due to the passing of mother, Jean Lancour. She was quick witted and a joy to be around. She'll be missed.