

Region 14

RC – Shiny Bob

Meeting Minutes

Date: July 25, 2021

Meeting called to order at 4:10 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance - lead by Eric Nelson - Sergeant of Arms and moment of silence for Jeff Fulghum who passed away unexpectedly July 21, 2021. Our prayers go out to Jeff's wife and his family and friends, as we all grieve his loss. May his memory be a blessing.

Sally VanCoppennolle - Treasurer's report:

Sally reviewed Region 14 financial activity and provided current balances since last region meeting on June 27, 2021.

Shiny Bob and Sally donated \$100.00 for Region 14's MRF membership. Thank you both for your contribution to sustain our membership in the Motorcycle Riders Foundation.

1st Motion to accept Treasurer's report: Eric Nelson and 2nd Motion: Bob Kenyon.

Sally A&M Leather:

Sally mentioned A&M Leather's customer appreciation event on July 31st, 2021, in which ABATE members were invited to attend. Sally will be selling bike raffle tickets and state product pins and wristbands will also be available for purchase. Group ride to A&M Leather, meet at the Legion 10:45am and kickstands up at 11:00am.

Shiny Bob Bike Raffle Ticket Round-up:

Bike Raffle Tickets and money were turned in by the membership.

Legislative Report:

Shiny Bob provided report for Ann Tobian and mentioned Iowa and Wisconsin are both 'Freedom of Choice' states, but also face challenges by the NTSB to over-turn their laws to mandate helmet use. Bob mentioned, "Like in Michigan, all biker's need to be aware of the challenges we face with laws concerning motorcyclists in the coming years and decades".

Bob reminded members to support HB4809 and contact your Senator and Representatives in support of this important insurance reform bill.

Awareness Report:

No report this month.

Pam Fisher presented 2021 Field Meet Recap and 2022 Seminar Information:

This year's Field Meet was a great success with 239 members in attendance and included vendors and two live bands. A great time was had by all!

The 2022 ABATE Seminar will be held January 14, 15,16. At this time two different venue proposals are being considered and are in the negotiation stage. The first is the in West Branch at the Quality Inn. The second is in Saginaw at the Four Points Sheraton. Details will be provided when the venue is chosen.

Birthdays Recognized in July: Corey Churchfield, Rose Sanch

Meeting Guest:

Josh Coughlin attended our meeting and mentioned he is running for a seat on the Milan City council. Josh is a supporter of the motorcycle community and would like our membership to consider voting for him in the November 2nd election. Josh – “Thank you for giving a shit”.

Other Noted Events Mentioned:

Region 18 “Aces & 8’s Poker Run” and camping weekend is Friday August 20th – Sunday August 22. Location: VFW 2460 Blazer Rd. Maybee, Michigan 48159

Admission: \$15.00/person with every adult receiving a free ABATE bike raffle ticket.

Poker Run registration 11a – 1pm and the Run 12 – 5pm.

Dinner, Bonfire, Awards, Games, Raffles, Drawings and Band.

Region 14 Members meet at old York Town Liquor Saturday August 21st 10:45am for ride to Maybee VFW.

50/50 Drawing: Won by Tony Diaz

Dollar Draw: Won by James Rise

Next Meeting: Sunday August 29th 4:00pm.

Meeting closed: 4:44pm.

1st Motion to accept: Eric Nelson and 2nd Motion: Bob Kenyon

Respectfully submitted by: Amy (Amos) Bachorek Region 14 Secretary