

ABATE REGION 19 MEETING

August 6, 2019

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

We started off the meeting with a moment of silence for L. Brooks Patterson, a great support and great person.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT – Vince Fabis updated us with the latest legislative news, including an update on HB 4812. This bill concerns the motorcycle side of insurance reform and would change whose insurance pays when a bike is involved with a car in an accident. Basically it would change from the bike's insurance paying to the car's, so the benefit would be that the motorcyclist gets to choose the level of coverage. Vince C and Jim Rhoades are working to refine the level.

No news on the State Butterfly bill, but there is a bill to designate the State Insect (and no, it is not the ubiquitous mosquito, it is the Green Dragonfly).

Pete was in the Ruth Johnson Motorcycle safety video and also attended an event with Senator Gary Peters.

SECRETARY'S REPORT was approved as presented.

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

BIKE RAFFLE TICKETS – were turned in by the deadline.

AMA: The AMA urges all motorcyclists to sign a petition opposing tariffs on EU motorcycles, parts and accessories

STATE SEMINAR: will be Jan 17 – 19, 2020 at the Four Points Sheraton, Saginaw. Call 1 888 236 2427 or 1 989 790 5050; ask for the ABATE block. Bill and Sandy visited this in person to check it out; they said it is nice and in a nice location; the meeting rooms are small. We discussed whether or not to get a suite to act as a Region room but decided not to so we could mingle with other regions

NEW BUSINESS: Bill reported that Trump just signed a bill that if you were in uniform from 1941 – present you can join the American Legion.

Minutes by Vince