**Presque Isle Community Men’s Club**

Meeting minutes July 11th, 2024

Opening: Meeting called to order by President Mike Bugenske at 9:00am with 11 members and 3 guests: Kimberly Gildner, Kathy Phipps, & Nancy Kinney

Opening song: Dennis Fay

Pledge of Allegiance: Mike Bugenske

Prayer: Mike Bugenske

Introduction of Guest Speaker: Mike Bugenske

* John Dolan, GM retired automotive engineer

John worked at GM for 32 years and was the Global Lead Engineer on Air Bag electronics and Safety System electronics. John has also been involved in the Auto Industry as a Consultant on Safety Issues and Lead the Takata Air Bag recalls while he worked at GM. John has a real-life example as he and his wife hit a deer while driving on 65 outside of Posen, MI at roughly 65 mph. While the damage to the vehicle was relatively minor, all the air bags deployed, and the vehicle was totaled by the insurance company due to the cost to replace all the air bags and seats in the car along with the cost of the damage to the body of the car. John reviewed several charts that describe the “Optimal” time to deploy the air bags in the event of a crash. There is a delicate balance that is tried to be achieved as to when to deploy air bags in a crash and when not to deploy them. Most vehicles on the road today have 6 sensors, mainly on the front and sides that are connected to the air bag controller. If one of the sensors detects a sudden stop or change in pressure, it will send a signal to the air bag controller which will make the decision to deploy or not deploy. If the bags are deployed, all of this must happen within 12 milliseconds of the sensor detecting the anomaly. The aig bag controller has a “black box” function similar to what we think about with airplanes that records data at the time of the crash, data can be speed, braking, throttle position, etc. At the end of the presentation, there was discussion regarding the Takata Air Bag recall that happened many years ago which was due to issues in the manufacturing of the air bag ignitors. These ignitors were susceptible to humidity which caused them to burn hotter and faster than specifications which could end up sending metal shrapnel upon air bag deployment.

Break and 50/50 Drawing:

* $11.00 won by John Dolan

Officer and Committee Reports:

* Minutes: Mike Grochola
  + June’s minutes were submitted, Motion by Dennis Fay to approve the June minutes, 2nd by Mark Kinney, All Ayes, motion passed
* Financial reports: Mike Grochola
  + Submitted June 2024 report. Motion by Charlie Phipps to approve the report, 2nd by Mark Kinney, All Ayes, motion passed
  + Mike explained that 3 CD’s have been opened for $5,000 each. They will be renewed on a 6 month rotating basis in the event these funds are needed before the Ad Sales income is received. The interest from these CD’s will be placed in the Community Service Fund
  + Paid expense of $68.93 for flowers/plants (chk #1052 to Cathy Hellmuth)
  + Paid expense of $23.00 for plates & napkins for meetings (Pd cash to Bob Beres)
  + Paid expense of $9.00 for donuts (paid cash to Mike Bugenske)
* Project Evaluation Committee: Dennis Fay
  + Nothing new to report
* Health and Family Committee: Bob Beres
  + Nothing new to report
* Scholarship Committee: Bart Hellmuth / Tim Lutes
  + 2024 PICMC Scholarship winners were Katelyn Bielas from Rogers City and John Romel from Posen High School
  + There were no applicants from Alpena High School
  + Due to Tim Lutes ongoing health challenges, looking for a permanent replacement
* Next meeting set-up:
  + John Dolan, Mike Bugenske, and Chuck Austin volunteered

Old Business:

* None

New Business:

* None

Announcements:

* Please keep Tim Lutes in your thoughts and prayers as he is experiencing challenges with his vision
* Wednesday July 17th, 2024 Breakfast at 9am at the Route 65 Diner
* Next meeting will be Thursday August 1st, 2024 at 9:00 am at the PIHA clubhouse
* Planned speaker for the August meeting is Tim Cordes, Plant Manager of the PI Quarry.  After the meeting Tim will give attendees a tour of the quarry. We can possibly arrange car pool rides to the quarry
* There are Presque Isle Community Men’s Club coffee mugs available for sale – see Mike Bugenske to get these limited edition mugs
* Chuck is investigating a tour of the Coast Guard Cutter Mackinaw for sometime this fall.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45am by President Mike Bugenske