

**THE MILITARY / VETERANS COALITION of INDIANA**  
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**Minutes of the March 2, 2018 meeting held at Fort Harrison VFW Post #7119**

**32 Members Present**

Chairman Ron Martin opened the meeting at 0930 hours with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes for February 2, 2018 meeting were approved.

Meetings and Legislative activities:

The 2018 session of the Indiana General Assembly has ended. A handout with the below listed Bills that have passed both chambers and now ready for the Governor's signature were discussed.

Senate Bill 96 – Veterans Recovery Pilot Program (HBOT)  
Senate Bill 134 - Licensing veterans organizations in charity gaming  
Senate Bill 262 - Veterans matters. (Placard for disabled veteran)  
House Bill 1047 – Education benefits for veterans  
House Bill 1242 - Resident tuition for serving on the USS Indiana  
House Bill 1402 – Veterans matters. (Vet Courts / Housing)

A few of these Bills had beneficial language stripped from the initial filed versions because of perceived fiscal impact or controversial content which we hope to address during summer study or next year's session.

We were also very active in the passing of legislation to make CBD Oil available across the counter to all Hoosiers and the defeat of high interest pay-day loans.

**Upcoming Events: (See website for Flyers and additional details)**

March 14 – AFA/ROA Dinner meeting – Carmel American Legion  
March 23 – Women's Veteran Conference – Indiana War Memorial  
March 27 – Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Event – Carmel American Legion  
March 29 - Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Event and Resource Fair – Plainfield High School  
April 18 – Ivy Tech Resource Fair, downtown campus

Next Meeting date: April 6, 2018