

Meeting Minutes from December 1, 2017 TMVCI meeting.

Called to order at 9:30 AM.

Financial report presented by Milan Testonivich.

Recent Meetings:

1. Met with Rep Speedy and conformed that he would author Agenda item #8 BMV license handicap mirror hanger and gathering military service data in BMV database. Follow-on meeting to be held at BMV to confirm Coalition request and finalize BMV support.
2. Met with Association of Indiana Municipalities (AIM) to seek their support for legislative agenda especially #3 Lottery Ticket, #4 Keep and grow veteran population, and #5 21st Century Veterans Support. AIM leadership to meet in January and will provide feedback. Representatives of AIM were positive and shared that their goals on growth were in line with ours.
3. Met with Senator Walker and got his agreement to author agenda item #13 Veteran Property Tax Matters. He indicated he would ask for increase to \$195,000 home value and did not think anything more would have a chance. Ron and I agreed.
4. Met with Joe Elsner of Governor Holcomb's staff to follow up on agenda items 2, 3,4 and 5 which we repackaged into a presentation Increasing Indiana Family Prosperity. He liked and wanted a copy. Joe also indicated the Governor would be putting his legislative agenda out very soon. Governor Holcomb did so a few days later and indicated Keeping and growing veteran population was his only veteran priority.
5. 21 November, Ron Martin and Jim Bauerle met with several legislators seeking authors and supporters of our agenda at "Organizational Day". Several good contacts and positive feedback.
6. Met with Senator Delph on 25 November and reviewed legislative agenda in total. Senator Delph agreed to author #1 but would NOT ask for all the items we desired especially removing the co-pay. He did agree to extend time window and eligibility issues. He also asked to meet with HVAF to discuss agenda # 7. He had a good meeting had was inclined to include this in his bill on HBOT.
7. Met with Senator Neimeyer on Agenda item #7 Homeless fixes. This was a follow on meeting and the Senator agreed to author our bill and will work with Senator MrVan as co-author. He also will co-author agenda #14 Tax credit bill.
8. Met with two lobbyist seeking Coalition support for asbestos legislation they plan to get introduced in 2018. Provided information and presented at meeting. Support was defeated.

Two proposals were presented:

1. Asbestos support—defeated.
2. CBD oil support—passed and Coalition will support. Ron Martin requested to write letter.

Brief discussion of 18 November Military Day/ Info Fair. Group agreed that it was a failure and few people attended. Future Info Fairs may be included in Veteran Appreciation Day at State Capital.

Upcoming events were identified. Meeting ended on time.