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Minutes of the January 4, 2019 meeting held at Fort Harrison VFW Post #7119

33 Members were present.

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

Minutes for December 7, 2018 meeting will be available at a later date and posted to our website.

Jim gave an update on outstanding issues concerning:

HBOT – Clark Memorial Hospital has been chosen as a site to provide treatment, now awaiting the rules for payment to be written by IDVA.

The 2019 Legislative session has begun but few Bills have been published to date. Ron provided the exiting list of 2 Bills introduced in the Senate and 6 in the House. All Bills are to be turned in by the 10th and will posted to the iga web soon after. Watch our website for the complete listing as it becomes available.

Recent meeting:

- *Executive Director of IN County Commissioners re: funding of CVSOs.
- *Sen. Spartz re: paying for Higher Ed for Reservists. She is also very concerned about the lack of Legislative oversight on State Agencies once a Bill has been enacted.
- *Leg. Asst. for Sen Mishler re: our Budget initiatives.
- *To Ft Wayne to meet with Rep. GiaQuinta the Minority Leader Re; our agenda and later that evening with the advocacy group Tommy Who.
- *Rep from the major State Colleges re: our education initiatives.
- *Sen. Garten, a Marine Reservist who is authoring Opiate HBOT treatment.
- *Rep Kirchhofer, Chairman of Public Health Committee.
- *The Military Family Relief Fund public rules hearing by the IN Military Commission. This became a very heated meeting that was not held for the purpose of hearing from veteran advocates. A lengthy discussion was held.

Next meeting will be February 1.