

AVERY FIRE ASSOCIATION  
**Chief's Committee**  
June 6th, 2012

Chief Bob Garland called the regular monthly meeting of the Chief's committee to order at Fall Creek Fire Station One.

Bob gave a report from the 911 Committee noting that the Seven Devils Tower was finished but would be operational until the frequencies were approved - which involves letters of approval from neighboring frequency users.

He announced that the county would be taking over Tac one and Tac two in July - but that a pl change by all departments may be necessary.

Kennie McFee moved that the chief's recommend that the Association apply for five new public service frequencies at a cost of \$ 1,375.00 with payment from the Association budget or by department special assessment. Matt Seconded the motion and members passed the motion by a unanimous vote.

Members reported that the I Am Responding text messages were still not going out for every call. Bob explained that if the dispatchers would put the call in correctly and let the CAD do all the work - the messages would go out automatically and we would always get texts.

Paul Buchanan reported that he had not heard anything on the topic of truck and building titles. Paul passed out copies of the county attorney's letter giving her opinion that Dean could not be Chief and a paid employee of the fire department. He also noted that her letter said she could re-work the bylaws so that Dean could hold both positions.

Kennie thought the president of the department should be the paid employee's boss if the paid employee should be elected chief. He wanted to go back and argue that point with the fire commission. Members voted to let Paul argue the point at the next Fire commission meeting.

Members discussed the budgets noting that they would not sign contracts until budgets were distributed. They also discussed the fact that the only increase in budgets was the addition of a paid employee.

John Hall reported that he had heard nothing regarding the Elk Park insurance claim situation. Members agreed that Daryl should not be involved especially since the problem was not discussed or voted on by the Fire Commission.

Jr. Sluder announced that the D.O.T. told the county commissioners that they had \$ 57,000 budgeted for paving at fire stations.

Matt told members that his department had found a 2001 Ford 550 in Erie, PA. to replace the County Air Truck.

The next meeting was moved to June 27th at Beech Mountain station two and the meeting was adjourned.