

CHIEF'S COMMITTEE – AVERY FIRE ASSOCIATION
May 7, 2015 – Frank Fire Station

The regular monthly meeting of the Chief's Committee was called to order by Chief Bob Garland.

Old Business:

Bob Garland reported from the 911 Committee that Chris Bertolini has secured and purchase 5 frequencies instead of the 4 free ones that we thought we would use. He also told members that the Frank Tower was in the proposed budget for the coming year.

Mark Taylor said that he had put Dennis Pitts on the Fire Commission agenda to enlist their help for the requested county ordinance to enable Innovapad to collect from insurance companies on wrecks.

Joe Shoupe told members that the rumored move of his office to Boone was a misunderstanding.

New Business:

Tim Holland reviewed needed help and the schedule for the Beech Mountain Metric Bicycle Race on May 16th.

It was announced that the Burn Building at Mayland Tech was repaired – but had not been inspected by an engineer. Bob Garland agreed to check with Melissa to see what could be done to finish the project.

Bob Pudney and Jim Brooks met with Jamie Johnson concerning the I Am Responding System. Jamie agreed to set up passwords for each dispatcher and work with Southern Software to get the system working reliably like the Beech Mountain System. Jamie called Southern Software and became defensive and argued with the technician when she told him how to make the system work. Members noted the problems that were being caused when the system was not used and noted that several dispatchers were telling people that they would not use it. Members decided that a meeting between Jamie, Tim Greene and the Association was needed. A committee of: Paul Buchanan, Bobby Powell, Bob Pudney, Jim Brooks and Bob Garland was appointed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.