

AVERY FIRE ASSOCIATION CHIEF'S COMMITTEE
November 3, 2016 - Linville Fire Station

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

Members discussed the previous month's meeting with the Avery DOT and agreed that nothing would change with the new director.

It was decided that the DOT commissioner should be invited to one of our meetings.

Bob Garland reported that the Truck Committee meeting was not run very well and that other people need to be able to participate at their meetings.

Members discussed Class "B" uniforms. Paul Buchanan agreed to check prices, vendors and come up with a plan before budget time.

Station paving was brought up. Charlie explained that the state would only pave new stations. Members were reminded to plan for the future and put the paving on a state grant.

Members were reminded that the Innovapad program would be discussed at the next Fire Commission meeting.

Joe Shoupe announced that additional resources were being staged in Lenoir because of the continued dry weather. He also noted that the Dispatch center was trying to text the Strike team with their system instead of using I Am Responding. The dispatch text was confusing his members in addition to shorting them the maps and features of I Am Responding.

Charlie Franklin reported that the paid staff were having problems with dispatchers arguing with them over fire scene requests. Bob Garland agreed to discuss Joe and Charlies problems at the 911 meeting.

Chief Pollygus told members that he had a replacement air pack arrive broken. The manufacturer agreed to send a replacement.

Bob Garland asked how many departments had switched to the new medical tones and asked departments to get them into their pagers.

It was announced that the Federal Grant would close on the 17th.

The meeting was adjourned.