

AVERY FIRE ASSOCIATION

CHIEF'S COMMITTEE

September 7, 2017 - Banner Elk Fire Station One

Chief Bob Garland called the meeting to order. Elk Park, Fall Creek & Newland were absent.

Kenny McFee told members that the Fire Commission asked the Association to decide how they wanted tee shirts and polo shirts labeled. Kenny wanted each department to have their name on the polo shirts that would be seen in public on calls. Members discussed tee shirts, polo shirts, rovers and stationary employees. Members decided that tee shirts didn't matter and could remain the same. Levin moved that: "departments be allowed to embroider the opposite side of the polo shirts with their department's name for their employees." Bobby Powell seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Jim Brooks reported from the last Fire Commission meeting. He reminded the chiefs that the chain of command requires that the employees work for their chiefs. Any complaints on the part of the employees must go to the Chief. Chiefs should bring the employee's gripes to the fire commission if they can't be resolved by the chief.

Bob Garland announced that the Mayland Burn building was out of service since police training in the building had made it unsafe to use. He noted that over \$100,000 had been put into the building along with a large amount of volunteer time by the fire service. He said that Mayland was attempting to replace the building with Con Ex boxes. Members discussed setting up a committee to meet with Mayland, push for a decent facility and set rules to stop the police and others from contaminating the building in the future.

Bobby Powell announced that the newly elected Association Vice President had resigned. He said he would set up a nominating committee to nominate a replacement to be voted on by the association.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.