AVERY FIRE ASSOCIATION May 3rd, 2013 - Frank Fire Station

The regular monthly meeting of the Avery Fire Association was called to order by President Paul Buchanan. Paul thanked the ladies of the Frank Frank Fire Department for preparing supper.

Paul asked members if he could forgo reading the minutes in the future since everyone was reading them online. Junior Sluder moved that we do so and Bob Garland seconded the motion. The motion carried. The roll was called and all departments were represented.

Reo was recognized and he thanked members for all that they do.

David Charles reported a bank balance of \$ 24,049.34 with all bills paid. He noted that the Newland Compressor had been repaired, that it was purchased in 2001 and that we needed to consider a replacement. Shook was asked to look into replacement quotes. Members were reminded that they could fill bottles at Banner Elk & Fall Creek.

David Charles also reported that Quake 2.0 worked out very well with almost 500 people attending - possibly more. Bob Garland said the evolutions were great and the type that we can't afford to do locally. He said that we should have had more members attend and if it is done next year - each department should send a group. Charlie noted that the drill cost \$ 150,000 and that funding came thru Tawana Ramsey, Regional EM Coordinator.

Bob Garland reported from the Chief's Committee meeting.

Joe Shoupe announced an S-130/190 class at Crossnore beginning on the 13th at 6:00 pm for 3 nights and the same class a week later in Newland.

Paul asked members again for pictures emailed to: <u>brooks@slopeside.com</u> for the website and announced that Fire Commission minutes would be added to the website when our representatives begin forwarding them.

Charlie reminded members that the Fire Commission meeting would be the next Thursday - May 9th, He also reported that he had ordered accountability board for each department and blanks for 3 I.D. Cards per member. He also recommended that the boards be used on meeting nights for practice. He said Ladders would be tested the end of July.

Crossnore announced a Ladders Class the end of May.

Junior Sluder gave a report from the Western NC Fire Association meeting.

Levin reminded Paul to set up the Scholarship Committee. Paul asked that Newland, Green Valley and Elk Park put a representative on the committee. Levin agreed to help get the applications.

The next meeting was set for June 6th at the Fall Creek Fire Station at 6:30 pm