

AVERY FIRE ASSOCIATION
November 3, 2016 - Linville Fire Station

The annual Meeting of the Avery Fire Association was called to order by President Bobby Powell.

Fire Commissioner Joe Perry was recognized for his lengthy service as a charter member of the Avery Fire Commission. He was presented with a special award.

Levin Sudderth addressed the members and presented Brandon Townsend with the Linville Fire Department with the Association's Firefighter of the year award.

Clay Beatty addressed the members and presented Tyler Burr with the Banner Elk Fire Department with the Association's Fire Officer of the year award.

Paul Buchanan called the roll. All departments except Elk Park were represented. A motion was made to accept the minutes of the October meeting as posted on the website. The motion passed unanimously.

Assistant Fire Marshal Paul Buchanan asked members to limit travel and keep all vehicles full of fuel until the fuel shortage ends. He also reported that the Hazmat Three county drill would be held before the end of the year - probably at Parkway VFD.

Melissa Phillips passed out a class flyer for a School Shooter class at Mayland Tech. Bob Garland gave a report from the Chief's Committee.

Joe Shoupe announced that the Forest Service was at a readiness level 4 with no burn ban yet. He asked members to try to give a good size-up when arriving 1st on scene.

Bobby Powell appointed Paul Buchanan, Mark Taylor and Anthony Pollygus to a committee to research 4 Alarm calls and bring a recommendation to the Association.

Charlie Franklin asked each department to provide a pager to the fill in employee when he was at the their station.

Bobby Powell thanked Loretta Taylor for providing the Annual Meeting Dinner.

The next meeting was set for Thursday, December 1st at the Newland Fire Station with the Chief's meeting at 6:30 pm.