

# **EVERY FIRE ASSOCIATION**

## **Green Valley Fire Station - February 2nd, 2017**

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by President Bobby Powell. Paul Buchanan called the roll and all departments were represented except Banner Elk. Bobby Powell thanked the Green Valley department for the barbeque dinner. He also announced that Paul had been elected president of the Local Emergency Planning Committee.

Paul reported for the Fire Marshal's office announcing an active shooter class February 16th at the YMCA and a Haz Mat class in mid-March.

Melissa Phillips handed out class schedules and noted that all fire classes could be registered on line under the heading: "Continuing Education". Tony Cook will take over medical classes next month. She announced a Mayday class at Green Valley February 7th & 9th and future county-wide house burning, 60 hour medical responder class and possible day classes.

Bob Garland gave the report from the Chief's Committee.

After a discussion on Class B uniforms, Paul Buchanan agreed to be in charge of group uniform purchase.

John Hall polled members and found 11 who wanted to serve on the Honor Guard. John agreed to work on a class. Melissa reminded members that the class would not be classified as fire training and would not be free. Paul asked departments to ask their members to consider serving on the honor guard.

Levin Sudderth spoke for the Firefighter's Burn Children's Fund and explained that the annual High Country get together at Grandfather & Tweetsie was becoming a big statewide deal. He asked for Volunteers to help with the event this summer.

It was announced that Spruce Pine VFD would be sending members to the FDIC and that any Avery members who would like to register for the FDIC with the Spruce Pine members - could save \$ 100 on registration. The Spruce Pine training facility was covered noting that it could be borrowed with only an Insurance Binder.

Paul and Kenny discussed helmet colors for the upcoming July 1st 1403 agreement. Helmet stickers were also recommended. Members agreed to bring suggestions to the next meeting.

The Next meeting was set for Thursday, March 2nd at the Elk Park Fire station with the Chief's meeting beginning at 6:30 pm. The meeting was then adjourned.