

AVERY FIRE ASSOCIATION

Frank Fire Station - May 5, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Avery Fire Association was called to order by President Bobby Powell. He noted that the business of the Chief's Committee would be discussed at the Association meeting. Members of the Frank Fire Department were thanked for the dinner meal. A motion was made to approve the minutes of the March meeting as posted on the Association web site. The motion was 2nd and approved as posted.

There was no treasurer's report.

Paul Buchanan asked for volunteers to help teach fire extinguishers and to be judges in a Transportation Rodeo the following day. Paul reported that he had been in contact with a uniform company in Asheville. Class A and B uniforms can be purchased as a group thru him at a large discount. The multi-county drill will be held May 12th at the Avery County Airport at 6:00 pm and May 13th at The Parkway Fire Department at 6:00 pm.

Melissa Phillips was absent but Mayland 1403 Classes were announced during the day (8:30 till 2:30) and were being posted on the Mayland website.

Bob Garland led a discussion on Cooperative buying. Members were asked to send their lists of grant purchases to: levin Sudderth (levinsudderth@averyschools.net).

Paul Buchanan asked each department to send a list of all department radios - model numbers, types and brands. Members went over the proposed Avery County frequency channel template. All members agreed to adopt the Avery Fire Bank 1 - 16 channel template. The Viper template could not be approved until neighboring counties were consulted. Members discussed adding LG West to the medical bank and adding the Beech Mountain frequencies (Beech Mtn Fire and Beech Mtn Medical) to the Avery fire bank.

Members were asked to volunteer for the Beech Mountain Metric.

The Scholarship Committee reported that they had met, selected a recipient and that Levin would present the award at graduation on the 25th.

Charlie Frankilin was still working on the non-interior attack stickers pricing.

The Alarm Committee had no report.

levin Sudderth brought up a recent wreck call. There was a awkward misunderstanding with law enforcement. Seth Banks suggested that the Association try to get a memorandum of understanding with the Sheriff & law Enforcement regarding vehicle placement and access for fire and rescue on automobile accident scenes. Bobby Powell was asked to meet with area Law Enforcement.

The next Association meeting will be held at Fall Creek Station One June 1st. The Chief's meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. The next Fire Commission meeting was set for May 11th at 7:00 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.