

Avery County Firefighter's Association
Newland Station
3 January 2019

Beech Mtn
Banner Elk
Crossnore
Elk Park
Fall Creek
Frank
Forestry
Ladder
Linville
Linville Central
Newland

Chief's committee

Garland spoke to southern software- Bodford's concerns about fire alarm default response can be set by individual address. Garland wants the updates to the dispatch to be done at once. Garland will collect the ESN run cards from southern software and deliver them to the chiefs.

Extra coverage- 7-3 regular employee hours and 9-5 rover coverage was proposed. The chiefs need to know if all the departments have to have the same hours.

General membership

Todd Frizsell visited on behalf of MES.

Paul motioned to approve minutes. Pudney seconded. Motion Passed with no objection or addition.

Treasurers report.

EM Report- David Charles is keeping light hours for personal issues. He may not be present on all calls.

Paul is planning a mass casualty exercise for the county. He is seeking a host department. Contact Paul for details.

Paul asked if there was interest in compiling departments' inventories and making them available to other departments. Paul has spreadsheets prepared.

Paul needs persons interested in helping with the Explorer program to contact him immediately. He intends to start programming immediately.

Paul gauged interest in hosting dispatchers and EMS for year end review in casual setting.

Melissa reported from Mayland. January 21 and 22, Bobby will teach Foam Fire Streams at Frank.

Bodford motions for association to host recruitment and retention class. Jeremy Hayes seconded. Motion passed without opposition.

Garland spoke about the chief's meeting. He reiterated that the chiefs need to make a proposal regarding employee hours before they can be presented to the fire commission.

Levin indicated that sheriff radios were not working with Linville's radios during traffic control.

Joe Shoupe reminded that forestry grant was due 18 Jan 2019. 21 Feb 2019 will be strike team RT130.

Forest Service does not concern themselves with constituents of controlled burns. Air Quality regulates the burning of building materials, agricultural materials, and garbage, and the forest service will not enforce those regulations.

Brooks reported from Fire Commission

The list of AEDs make, model, and quantity should be sent to Charlie.

Budget should be turned in 15 February.

Paul proposed that his inventory spreadsheets be filled out by employees or officers of the department. Motion: Paul will send spreadsheets to chiefs and employees to be filled out by March 4. Brooks motioned. Pudney seconds. No objections.

Explorers program: Paul described the program and the duties of volunteers. He seeks 4 more volunteers to run the program through the boy scouts. It begins in the middle of January.

The meeting with EMS and dispatch will take place 17 Jan 2019 at Mayland Avery Campus.

The deadline for ESN dispatch amendments will be determined at our next meeting.

FD rosters should be updated by 15 Jan 2019.

ACFA requests updated voting member rosters: 2 voting members and 1 alternate.