Avery Firefighters' Association Mar 7, 2019 Elk Park Station

General Membership-

Jim motioned we approve minutes from last meeting. Pudney approved. EM did not report.

The Avery Fire Association bank balance is \$56,911.51 with all bills paid.

Mayland- Melissa offered her assistance to anyone who needed training. No new classes were presented.

Pudney reported on the Chief's Committee. See above. Fire prevention committee did not report.

Firefighter training committee has just completed their class. Monday night at 6p there will be held a retest.

Garland reported that Ladder 9 should be delivered within two weeks. Ladder Co. received a \$10000 check from the insurance company for the use of the County's aerial (squirt 43).

Joe Shoupe reported that Beech bark disease could present some dangerous conditions during wildfires- dead trees can snap off at the top and injure firefighters below. Use caution when working around standing dead beech trees.

Joe also reiterated that we should pursue the repeaters for the tac channels discussed ACFA 7 Feb 2019.

Brooks announced the first budget meeting of the fire commission at 5:30p. He then presented his notes from fire commission. 14 Feb 2019 will be the chiefs' and employees' meeting with the fire commission before their regular meeting.

The scholarship committee has applications to review. They have not met yet. Emergency Fest Committee has not met yet.

Powell announced his pending ISO rating.

Bodford has a quote coming regarding the quarterly maintenance on the Newland breathing air compressor.

Sudderth announced that the Firefighter Burned Children's Fund can collection trailer in Newland will be moved to a more accessible location by the wrestling gym in Newland.

Brooks motioned to adjourn.