

Presentation Salutes Fire Chief Norris

In recognition of his outstanding commitment to fire safety in our community, Fire Chief Marc Norris received the 35-year long service award on behalf of the Office of the Fire Commissioner of British Columbia and the 35-year Provincial Long Service Bar. The presentation was made by Mayor Doug O'Brien at the October 6 Council meeting.

Chief Norris has spent his entire 35-year career with the Parksville Volunteer Fire Department. He began his firefighting career in 1990 as a junior volunteer member and was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant in 2001. In 2002, Marc became the City's first career full-time Deputy Chief of the Parksville Volunteer Fire Department with primary responsibility for department training programs. In 2016, Marc was promoted to Fire Chief where he continues to lead a growing and progressive department.

Marc Norris is second generation firefighter; his father, Chief Paul Norris, was a member of the Parksville Fire Department from 1976 to 1997.

Chief Norris is an effective and capable leader dedicated to his profession, to the City and to serving the Parksville Fire Protection Area.

QUOTE – MAYOR DOUG O'BRIEN

"Today we honour Chief Norris for his dedication and commitment to excellence. Chief Norris truly exemplifies what it means to serve with passion, skill and dedication. His commitment inspires both fellow firefighters and members of the public, and his leadership has shaped the department and strengthened public safety across the Parksville Fire Protection Area."

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