

Ground Broken for New Parksville Firehall

PARKSVILLE, BC: At last evening's regular Monday night training for members, the "ground" was broken to officially mark the start of construction of Parksville's new firehall. Parksville Council and members of the Parksville Volunteer Fire Department participated in the brief ceremony.

"This is an exciting time for our Department as well as the community we serve," said Chief Doug Banks. "The members of our Department are all looking forward to an upgraded facility and, it's been a long time coming!"

The firehall is a 35 year old building that houses 40 career and volunteer firefighters as well as the department's equipment and administration, education, inspection and fire training facilities. Built in 1974, the firehall serves the City of Parksville and through a fire service agreement with the Regional District of Nanaimo, also provides protection to surrounding RDN areas. The Parksville Volunteer Fire Department is committed to protecting life, property and the environment.

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