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WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE HIRES NEW FIRE CHIEF

Former Markham Chief William Snowball brings 41 years of experience to the Whitchurch-Stouffville Fire Department

WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE, ON – The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville has hired former Markham Fire Chief William Snowball as the Town’s new Fire Chief.

Snowball, who spent over 41 years at Markham Fire & Emergency Services, comes out of retirement to lead the Whitchurch-Stouffville Fire Department.

“We are very excited to have someone of Bill’s experience join our team as Chief,” said Whitchurch-Stouffville Mayor Iain Lovatt. “Bill has a passion for the fire service and is well respected.”

Snowball began his career as a volunteer firefighter for Markham in 1974 and became a full-time firefighter in 1985. He worked his way up the ranks first as a volunteer firefighter, then full-time firefighter, Fire Captain, Platoon Chief, Deputy Fire Chief, and then Fire Chief in 2009. Snowball retired in 2016.

“Bill has a reputation of excelling in his leadership skills and his public education initiatives. Lovatt said. “He will be a tremendous asset to our Town.”

The position of Whitchurch-Stouffville Fire Chief became vacant when former Chief Richard Renaud announced late in March that he had accepted a position in Burlington. His last day was April 14.

Whitchurch-Stouffville’s Fire & Emergency Services consists of 38 full-time staff and 40 volunteer firefighters.

Chief Snowball’s first day on the job will be tomorrow, April 17.

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