

The Corporation of the City of Guelph

By-law Number (2023) - 20779

A By-law to appoint Deputy Fire Chief Steven Goode and Deputy Fire Chief Ryan Schubert as interim Acting Fire Chief for the Guelph Fire Department, to amend By-law Number (2009) – 18725, and to repeal By-law Number (2009) – 18727, By-law Number (2009) – 18840, By-law Number (2009) – 18841 and By-law Number (2010) – 19003.

Whereas subsection 5(0.1) of the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997, as amended, provides that the council of a municipality may establish, maintain and operate a fire department for all or any part of the municipality;

And whereas by By-law Number (1970) – 7378 (now repealed), The Corporation of the City of Guelph established a full-time fire department, which is known as the Guelph Fire Department and which continued under By-law Number (2009) - 18725;

And whereas section 6 of the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997, as amended, provides, among other things, that, if a fire department is established for the whole or a part of a municipality or for more than one municipality, the council of the municipality or the councils of the municipalities, as the case may be, shall appoint a fire chief for the fire department, who may exercise all the powers assigned to him or her under the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997, as amended, within the territorial limits of the municipality and within any other area in which the municipality has agreed to provide fire protection services, subject to any conditions specified in the agreement;

And whereas section 13 of By-law Number (2009) – 18725 provides that the Council of The Corporation of the City of Guelph shall be responsible for appointing a Fire Chief as necessary from time to time;

And whereas, pursuant to section 1(h) of By-law Number (2009) – 18725, “Deputy Fire Chief” means a person(s) appointed by Council to assist the Fire Chief with the administrative and operational needs, or both, of the Guelph Fire Department, including acting as Fire Chief in the event of absence or vacancy of the Fire Chief as provided for in the said By-law;

And whereas section 15 of By-law Number (2009) – 18725 provides that the Council of The Corporation of the City of Guelph shall be responsible for the appointment of a person(s) to the position of Deputy Fire Chief;

And whereas section 3 of By-law Number (2009) – 18725 provides that the organizational structure of the Guelph Fire Department shall be in conformance with the organizational chart set out in Schedule “A” forming part of that By-law;

And whereas section 4 of By-law Number (2009) – 18725 provides that the mission statement of the Guelph Fire Department shall be as set out in Schedule “B” forming part of that By-law.

The Council of the Corporation of the City of Guelph enacts as follows:

1. That each of Steven Goode and Ryan Schubert (the “Appointees”) be appointed a Deputy Fire Chief for the Guelph Fire Department.
2. That the Appointees be appointed jointly to serve in the role of Acting Fire Chief for the Guelph Fire Department on an interim basis, effective on March 27, 2023, and ending on the day on which City Council passes a by-law appointing a permanent, full-time Fire Chief for the Guelph Fire Department.
3. That, while jointly serving in the role of Acting Fire Chief, the Appointees shall continue to carry out their regular duties and responsibilities as Deputy Fire Chiefs.

4. That, for greater certainty, the Appointees shall continue in their roles as Deputy Fire Chiefs notwithstanding the subsequent appointment of a permanent, full-time Fire Chief for the Guelph Fire Department.
5. That By-law Number (2009) – 18725 be amended by deleting Schedule “A” to that By-law and substituting the new Schedule “A” attached to this By-law.
6. That By-law Number (2009) – 18725 be amended by deleting Schedule “B” to that By-law and substituting the new Schedule “B” attached to this By-law.
7. That By-law Number (2009) – 18727, By-law Number (2009) – 18840, By-law Number (2009) – 18841 and By-law Number (2010) - 19003 are hereby repealed.
8. That this By-law comes into force and takes effect on the twenty-first day of March, 2023.

Passed this 21st day of March, 2023.

Schedules:

Schedule A: Organizational Chart

Schedule B: Mission Statement

Cam Guthrie, Mayor

**Stephen O’Brien, City Clerk [or]
Dylan McMahon, Deputy City Clerk**