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## **County Hires Deputy Fire Chief of Rural Operations**

County Fire Services has created a new deputy fire chief position which will be held by Everett Cooke.

Cooke has served as a volunteer firefighter with the Sexsmith Fire Department for the past nine years and as the town's Fire Chief since 2006. Prior to joining the Sexsmith Fire Department, Cooke worked in the oilfield safety industry.

“A nation-wide search attracted an exceptional field of candidates for this position,” says Fire Chief Peter Ensor. “The extensive consultation process, which involved District Fire Chiefs, determined that Everett's qualifications and knowledge of the area made him the top candidate for the position.”

“I look forward to providing support and training to our County owned and operated stations,” stated Cooke. In this new position, Cooke will support and offer guidance to the County's rural stations.

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