

DALTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Greetings,

I am making a recommendation for the promotion of Battalion Chief Mike Russell to the rank of Deputy Chief. This promotion will fill the vacancy that will be left by the retirement of Deputy Chief Ricky Busby. Chief Russell has met the required pre-requisites set forth for deputy chief. After a set of interviews, careful consideration and studying all the pre-requisites, I feel that Battalion Chief Russell is the best fit for the current needs of the department.

Chief Russell was employed with Dalton Fire Department in September 1992. Since that time he has held most ranks within the department. He has been serving as C shift battalion chief since December 2009. While in that role he has performed notably, keeping his shift on track according to the goals and mission of Dalton Fire Department. He has been a firefighter since 1984, where he served as a volunteer with Whitfield County Fire Department until being employed by our agency. Chief Russell is one of the leading members of the Georgia Smoke Divers Association and plays a very vital role in the success of the program. During his time in the fire service Chief Russell has become highly respected by all that have worked with him, as well as within our own agency. I look forward to the confirmation of this request, and continuing to move Dalton Fire Department forward with the help of Chief Russell.

I would appreciate your support in recognizing Battalion Chief Mike Russell with a promotion to the rank of Deputy Chief of Dalton Fire Department.

Thank you all for your consideration,

Todd Pangle
Chief