

Dale Ashbee Named Canadian Volunteer Fire Chief of the Year 2018

The Municipality of Neebing is pleased to announce that Neebing Fire Chief Dale Ashbee is the recipient of the **Canadian Volunteer Fire Chief of the Year 2018**. The award was presented to Chief Ashbee at the **Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs** conference in Ottawa on Wednesday, September 19, 2018.



The award is sponsored by the Underwriters Survey of Canada and the Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs with one Volunteer Chief and one Professional Chief being recognized annually for outstanding contributions or initiatives of enduring benefit to the fire service. The Council of the Municipality of Neebing nominated Chief Ashbee, with the support of other community members who supported the nomination. We are pleased to see that his contributions to the protection of lives and property in Neebing have been recognized.

Chief Ashbee has been a long-time member of the fire service in

Neebing and has played many roles in the development of Neebing Emergency Services since its inception following the 1999 amalgamation process. While much of his time has been spent in Officer roles as Captain, Deputy Chief and Fire Chief, Chief Ashbee remains an active Fire Fighter and First Responder and is well-recognized by those in need in the community.

The Municipality of Neebing congratulates Chief Ashbee on his acceptance of this award and wishes to thank him for his dedicated service to the community. Congratulations and thanks are also extended to Chief Ashbee's family. They not only support him in his role with the service, which requires many volunteer hours away from home, but several family members also volunteer for the service themselves.