

LaSalle Police Services Board Announces New Deputy Chief of Police

On behalf of the LaSalle Police Services Board, outgoing Chair, Ken Antaya, Mayor of the Town of LaSalle, is proud to announce the appointment of Kevin Beaudoin to the Deputy Chief of Police position with the LaSalle Police Service, effective January 1, 2019.

"When looking for a replacement, Staff Sergeant Beaudoin possessed the experience and expertise. We are confident that he will serve the residents with the same commitment and professionalism he has demonstrated in his positions leading up to Deputy Chief. He will be a strong support to Chief Leontowicz, while preparing subordinate officers and civilian staff to meet the policing challenges that lay ahead," said Antaya.

Beaudoin has been with LaSalle Police for the past 29 years and has had a vast number of portfolios. He began as a uniform patrol officer, held the position of Community Liaison Officer, supervisor of the Detective Unit, and participated in many public relation events. Over the years, Beaudoin was promoted to Sergeant, Staff Sergeant and now to Deputy Chief of Police. Beaudoin has been on the senior administrative team for the past four years.

"I am looking forward to having Mr. Beaudoin on the Executive team as Deputy Chief. His passion for the community is worthy of his promotion. He is a long time LaSalle resident and is well known to many in the community," said Chief Leontowicz.

"It has been a true honour and a privilege to serve with the exceptional men and women of the LaSalle Police Service. I am both humbled and grateful to the Police Services Board for placing their confidence in me to assist Chief Leontowicz in leading our organization well into the future. I am confident that we are well-positioned to continue to deliver the same high level of service that the citizens of LaSalle have grown to expect," said Beaudoin. "I look forward to continued collaboration with our citizens, businesses and schools to make LaSalle the safest, healthiest and most enjoyable place to live, work and visit."

After 35 years of service to the community and the department, current Deputy Chief William "Chuck" Scanlan will retire at the end of 2018.

"His wealth of knowledge of the organization and LaSalle will be missed. I shall miss his confidence and support he provided to the office of the Chief and to the many young officers he mentored and tutored under his leadership. I wish him a wonderful retirement," said Chief Leontowicz.

Scanlan has had a diverse background during his 35 years with LaSalle Police working in uniform patrol, the Detective Unit, as a forensic officer and dedicated his time to many volunteer initiatives in the community.

"I have had a long and fulfilling career with the LaSalle Police Service, but I feel it is time to move on to the next phase in my life," said Scanlan. "The thing I will miss most is serving the community and meeting the day to day challenges of policing. I look forward to spending time with family and friends and looking for new adventures."

Deputy Scanlan was involved with many initiatives over the years: establishing the forensic identification unit; assisting with the hiring system to identify qualified police officers; assisting with the design and construction of the new police facility; assisting with developing and maintaining social media platforms, developing a Mental Health Resource Unit for the Service; and assisting with the Human Trafficking initiative.

"Deputy Scanlan has been dependable, approachable, and most of all fair. He has dedicated his entire policing career to the LaSalle Police Service. He embodies the meaning of public service, and we wish him well in his future endeavors," said Antaya.

The LaSalle Police Services Board welcomes Mr. Beaudoin as our new Deputy Chief of Police, he will be sworn in at the first public Police Services Board meeting in January. We wish all the best to Mr. Scanlan on his retirement.