



## News Release

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### **Campbell River fire fighter honored for 40 year milestone**

At the May 25<sup>th</sup> Council meeting, Campbell River Fire Fighter Jim Vaton was presented with his Fire Service Exemplary Service Second Bar for 40 years of fire service by Fire Chief Ian Baikie.

Vaton began his volunteer career with the Courtenay Fire Department 1962, before moving to Campbell River and joining the Campbell River Fire Department as in 1986.

Vaton is still a member at the No 2 Fire Hall and currently provides administrative and operational support to the department as a Lieutenant.

Councillor Charlie Cornfield comments, "*Campbell River Council appreciates Lieutenant Vaton's 40 years of dedication and commitment to investing his energy towards this essential role in our community.*"

The Fire Services Exemplary Service Medal Second Bar, honors members of a recognized Canadian Fire Service who have completed 40 years of service in the performance of duties involving potential risks.

Deputy Fire Chief Thomas Doherty adds, "*It's an honor to see one of our members reach this milestone. Jim has given so much to the community over the years and we are all extremely proud of his contributions to the Fire Service and to the City of Campbell River.*"

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