



The Thunder Bay Police Services Board

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BOARD ANNOUNCES NEXT CHIEF OF THUNDER BAY POLICE SERVICE

THUNDER BAY, ON, March 21, 2023 - The Thunder Bay Police Services Board today announced the selection of Darcy Fleury as the new Chief of Police for the Thunder Bay Police Service.

Fleury has 36 years of experience with the Royal Canadian Mounted Policy (RCMP) and is currently the RCMP District Commander - Chief Superintendent, Central Alberta District based in Edmonton. Fleury will assume the role as Chief Designate on April 17, 2023 and will begin a one-month transition period with Interim Chief Dan Taddeo. A Change of Command Ceremony is planned for May 15, 2023.

Originally from Manitoba, Fleury is a proud Member of Manitoba Metis Federation, where his father was a founding member.

Fleury brings to the position his extensive experience in investigative, operational, and administrative policing, including leadership at senior and executive levels. His career spans postings in the Northwest Territories, Manitoba, and Alberta.

The Board established a Governance Committee with a mandate that included the recruitment of a new Chief of Police for the Thunder Bay Police Service. The Committee includes three members of the Board and members of the community. The composition of the Committee ensures that important governance decisions are considered not just by the Board but are informed and assisted by community voices. The community members of the Governance Committee involved in the recruitment of the new Chief were David Achneepineskum, Denise Baxter (now a Board member) and Cora McGuire-Cyrette. Mayor Ken Boshcoff, Councillor Shelby Ch'ng and Karen Machado participated as Board members.

The Board and Service would like to take this opportunity to thank Interim Chief Taddeo for his work over the past year and wish him well on his next endeavor.

See below for Chief Designate Fleury's photograph and biography.

Quotes:

Darcy Fleury, Chief Designate, Thunder Bay Police Service

“I look forward to the opportunity to be the next Chief of Police for Thunder Bay. I am committed to creating a learning environment within the organization, ensuring community interests are identified in policing priorities, and that the Police Service serves and is representative of everyone within the community. I am aware of the recent recommendations and reports that speak to needed change within the Service, and I will continue to reinforce and advance the work that is already underway. To move forward, we need to develop strong partnerships to manage crime and ensure the safety of all people in Thunder Bay.”

Malcolm Mercer, Acting Administrator, Thunder Bay Police Services Board

“After a comprehensive search process with interested candidates from across the country, we are pleased to welcome Darcy Fleury as the new Chief of Police. The Governance Committee and the Board have been committed to the search for a new chief of police that would meet the key challenges of building and rebuilding relationships in the Thunder Bay community and region, supporting members of the Service, sworn and civilian, and moving the Service through challenges and opportunities. I feel confident that we have achieved that mandate in the appointment of Chief Fleury.”

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BIOGRAPHY OF CHIEF DESIGNATE DARCY FLEURY



Chief Designate Darcy Fleury is from Minnedosa, Manitoba. He was raised in Minnedosa and attended Brandon University. While in university he chose to follow his passion and joined the RCMP in 1987.

Shortly after joining the RCMP, he married Carolina and they have two adult daughters, Jessica, and Andrea, married to AJ, and are proud grandparents to Everett James. Carolina is from Bogota, Colombia and her adventurous spirit made it easy for Chief Designate Fleury to navigate his 36-year career and take up positions in Ontario, Nunavut, Northwest Territories, Alberta, and Manitoba.

Chief Designate Fleury has an extensive investigative, operational, and administrative policing background, including leadership at senior and executive levels. He has worked in a variety of roles, including general policing, general investigation section, major crime section, commercial crime, proceeds of crime, Integrated Market Enforcement, Serious and Organized Crime, Federal Criminal Operations. He has also led two district teams, one in Manitoba and most recently in Alberta. During his stay in Yellowknife, he was seconded to the Government of the NWT, Department of Justice for two terms, a total of five years, where he was the Director of Community Justice for the first three-year stint and later, the Manager of Policing and Crime Prevention Programs.

During his career, Chief Designate Fleury has been successful in establishing, growing, and maintaining partnerships with community agencies, NGOs, and community governments. He focuses on community interests being identified alongside policing priorities, while also making sure that the police program is representative of all citizens within the community.