

New chief named

The Bradford fire department has a new fire chief to fill retiring Chief Ted Gapp's place.

The 16-member volunteer department voted Monday night to recommend that council appoint Deputy Chief Harold Boyd as new head of the department.

Mr. Boyd, who has served on the department since 1943, was the members' unanimous choice for chief.

Boyd became deputy chief in the late 1940's shortly after he joined the volunteer brigade. He also held the secretary-treasurers' post under Chief Dodger Collings.

The new chief first came to Bradford in 1937. He was born in Newmarket.

For the last two years, he has been semi-retired and he told The Witness that he will devote much of his time to the department and his new post.

In addition to electing a new chief, the volunteers elected Ed Bulpit as the new deputy chief.

Other officers elected Monday night were: Bev Everitt, secretary; Jim Church, treasurer; Ron Bannerman, Laurence McKnight and George Lowe, captains.

Chief elect Boyd was scheduled to appear before council Tuesday afternoon to receive his official appointment.

Boyd will take over the job Chief Ted Gapp is leaving this month after 35 years as the department's head man.