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October 'Storytellers' features Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue Department

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. – CityTV's October episode of "Murfreesboro Storytellers" introduces Murfreesboro's newest fire chief, Mark Foulks, who took over the job for retiring chief, Cumbey Gaines. Foulks arrived August 24, 2015, to command a department with 189 employees and 9 fire stations.

The October episode of "Storytellers" also features retired chief David Baxter who served as Murfreesboro fire chief for twenty years before heading up the State Bomb and Arson Division.

The October 2015 episode can be viewed on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/4hbjFqgldPo> and on CityTV Sunday, 9:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Monday, 7:30 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday, 9:30 a.m. and Saturday, 9:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

The interview, hosted by John Hood, features the following topics:

- Chief Mark Foulks provides details on his background that includes serving as fire chief in Greeneville, Tenn. and as assistant chief for the Knoxville Fire Department.
- Retired Chief David Baxter, who served as a firefighter for the Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue Department for 31 years, including two decades as chief, shares his recollections of a department with only 60 employees and three fire stations.
- MFRD provides services that include fire suppression, emergency medical services response, hazardous material response and technical rescue response.
- Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue transitioned to higher level of emergency medical care from First Responder to Basic Life Support (BLS) in 2014.

This month's Storytellers was videotaped on location at the MFRD Headquarters Building, located on East Vine Street. For more information about MFRD visit <http://www.murfreesborotn.gov/Index.aspx?NID=139>. You can watch "Murfreesboro Storytellers" on CityTV (located on Comcast Xfinity Channel 3 and AT&T Uverse channel 99) or view the program online by visiting www.murfreesborotn.gov/storytellers.

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Photos attached:

CityTVs John Hood interviews Fire Chief Mark Foulks and retired chief David Baxter for 'Storytellers' on City TV.

1. *L/R Mark Foulks, John Hood, David Baxter*