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## **LaGrange Fire Department Holds Promotion Ceremony**

***LaGrange, Ga. May 1, 2018 –***

The LaGrange Fire Department promoted three of its personnel during a ceremony Monday evening.

Jonathan Williamson was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Paul Welsh and Andrew McNeil were both promoted to the rank of Sergeant.



*Pictured from left to right: Andrew McNeil, Jonathan Williamson, & Paul Welsh*

Jonathan Williamson has been with the department for 11 years and is a National Registry Paramedic. Before his promotion he held the rank of Sergeant. Jonathan has many certifications since he has been with the department. He has completed the LaGrange Fire Department Office Development Course, and is now enrolled in the department's Chief Officer Development program. Jonathan has a Bachelor Degree for Columbus State University.

Paul Welsh has been with the department for 12 years and he is an Emergency Medical Technician. Paul is enrolled in West Georgia Technical College working toward his Fire Science Degree. He also has obtained his Fire Inspector 1 certification and holds many other certifications.

Andrew McNeil has been with the department for 5 years and he is an Emergency Medical Technician. Andrew has obtained many certifications since he has been with the department. In 2014 Andrew attended and completed The Georgia Smoke Diver program obtaining the GSD# 887. Andrew has attended the acting officer course and is now working toward his Associates Degree from Waldorf University.

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