Former councillor Paul Newell dies The chairman of Belleville Police Services board and former city councillor has lost his battle with cancer. Paul Newell died Wednesday evening. He was 59. Newell chaired the last police services

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Newell 'loyal, dedicated' says police chief

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He was also carrying on with other police board business right up until last week, said Belleville Police Chief Steve Tanner.

"Paul was one of the most loval, committed and dedicated individuals that I have ever worked with. both on a professional and personal level when it came to his family and friends," the chief said this morning

Newell was in his second term as

a provincial appointee on the police services board and took over as served as the city's mayor. chairman in January.

"Even all throughout what he had been through over the last year or so, he was always available. He never missed any meeting or event and always put up a very strong front for everyone around him." Tanner said. "There will be a huge void to fill because of the sort of person that Paul was."

Newell spent a three-year term on Belleville city council from 1994-97

- the same term Ross McDougall

McDougall said Newell was a colleague and financial services associate at McDougall Insurance for the past 15 years. Prior to that, he worked independently as a financial insurance broker for Great West Life.

"Paul Newell was one of the most successful financial services businessmen in eastern Ontario for many years," he said. "Besides his passion for his family and business, he was an avid golfer."

McDougall said Newell also served the municipality by sitting on many civic committees over the

"The city has lost a dedicated community supporter and a prominent businessman," he said.

Newell is survived by his wife, Stella, and two daughters, Christine and Angie.

Burke Funeral Home said funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time.