



Woodstock Fire/Rescue District

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"Service Before Self"

Press Release

On Monday, July 13, 2020, at 3:43 PM the Woodstock Fire/Rescue District, along with automatic aid departments, were dispatched for a reported structure fire in the 9600 block of W. Bull Valley Road in the Village of Bull Valley.

Upon arrival, firefighters reported smoke and flames showing from an attached residential garage. Two residents were actively attempting to extinguish the fire using garden hoses. Firefighters quickly pulled a hose line and engaged in an aggressive exterior attack on the garage. All residents were determined to have safely evacuated prior to arrival. Since the area does not have hydrants, firefighters simultaneously began setting up water shuttle operations at the roadway. The fire was reported to authorities through a 911 call from one of the homeowners.

Within 20 minutes of arriving on scene, the fire was determined to be under control. Crews spent the next two hours conducting an investigation and overhauling the burn area.

The garage was the only portion of the residence damaged by fire. The living area was filled with smoke and required ventilation. There were no civilian or firefighter injuries reported. The home remains habitable and was turned over to the homeowners shortly before 6:00 PM.

Preliminary investigations discovered a potential electrical issue with an exterior mounted light fixture. Although the fire is not being considered suspicious at this time, it remains under investigation by the Woodstock Fire/Rescue District. Damage estimates are unavailable at this time.

We greatly appreciated the assistance from our automatic aid agencies. Thank you to those who assisted at the scene and the crews who backfilled our stations while our units were working at the fire.

Further inquiries should be directed to the Shift Commander at Station #1: 815 338-2621.