

## **HDPS Fire Personnel Respond to an Attached Garage Fire at 592 Bay Avenue**

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At 9:29 am today, Fire Services personnel were dispatched to 592 Bay Avenue for a fire in a garage attached to a residence. Personnel from the Kollen Park Station arrived on scene within 6 minutes from the time of dispatch to find heavy smoke and fire showing from the garage. Personnel initiated an attack on the fire to limit its extension into the residence. The fire was contained and controlled within 10 minutes of arrival.

There was a minor burn injury to one of the male occupants of the residence, he was evaluated on scene and did not seek treatment. There were no injuries to fire personnel. The cause of the fire appears to be accidental and an investigation into the exact cause is being conducted by the HDPS Fire Marshal. The garage and a vehicle parked inside it sustained severe damage and are deemed to be a total loss. The attached residence did sustain some minor fire damage and smoke did travel throughout. The damage is estimated to be approximately \$50,000 for the garage and contents.

Units and personnel responded from all three HDPS Fire Stations. This incident occurred in the automatic mutual aid area of the city and assistance was received from Park Township. Other assistance was received from the Holland Police, HDPS Victim Services, AMR, American Red Cross and Holland BPW.

As a reminder, HDPS requests that residents do their best to keep fire hydrants clear and at a minimum identifiable. Although fire personnel were able to locate the area of hydrants for this incident utilizing GIS capability in fire vehicles, they were still unable to find the exact location of hydrant. Fire personnel needed to locate and clear the hydrant that was used for this incident which delayed access to a reliable water supply.

**For additional information contact Captain Chris Tinney at 616-355-1023.**

### **Supporting Documents**



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