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Falmouth Fire-EMS Responds to Fire in Apartment on Brook Road

On Wednesday at 8:58 p.m. Falmouth Fire-EMS was dispatched to a report of a fire in an apartment at 68 Brook Road. Falmouth Utility 4 was the first unit to arrive on scene in approximately 8 minutes from the time of the initial dispatch. Assistant Chief Jay Hallett arrived a minute later and established incident command of the scene. A crew of 2 entered the building while a crew of 2 remained outside at the front door. The crew that made entry encountered heavy smoke in a 1st floor apartment and found a fire in a kitchen above a stove. Engine 2 and Ambulance 2 arrived from Central Station 3 minutes later and the Engine 2 crew pulled a hose line to the front door. By the time the line reached the front door the crew of Utility 4 had the fire knocked down in the kitchen with a 2 ½ gallon stored pressure water can. Crews then checked the area for any extension of fire. None was found. Power was disconnected to the kitchen area by the crew of Engine 2. The fire appeared to have started on the stove and spread to the fan and to the cabinets above the stove. The crew of Ambulance 2 checked the other apartment units for smoke or carbon monoxide. One apartment directly above the 1st floor kitchen was metered and ventilated by opening windows. The 1st floor apartment was then ventilated using a fan by the remaining crew of Utility 4.

Other units from Falmouth soon arrived on scene. Tank 4 set up at the closest hydrant on Brook Road and prepared to lay a supply line to Engine 2 if needed. Tower 2 and Engine 1 also arrived on scene and staged on Brook Road, sending personnel to a staging location on scene.

When the smoke in the apartment was cleared, the unit was metered to confirm no carbon monoxide was present. The occupants and building owner were then brought in and showed the area where the fire was.

Falmouth Police assisted crews on scene by making sure the building was evacuated. Brook Road was also closed to one lane of traffic only. All Fire-EMS and Police units cleared the scene by 10 pm.

There were no injuries on scene.

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