

Press Release

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Incident: On Saturday September 05, 2020 approximately 2358 hrs, the Sycamore Fire Department was dispatched to 660 Hill Street for a reported structure fire. Upon arrival, initial fire companies found heavy fire from the rear deck area of a residential structure extending vertically into the attic space. Initially crews attacked the fire from the exterior with a large 2 ½" hand line and when the fire was knocked down, began an aggressive, interior fire attack with 1 ¾" hand lines and began a primary search for occupants. Fire companies made a quick knock down of the fire and had the fire under control in about 30 minutes. Fire companies remained on scene for an hour and a half performing overhaul and checking for fire extension.

The Sycamore Fire Department was assisted by DeKalb, Genoa-Kingston, Elburn, Malta, Kirkland, Somonauk, Maple Park, Burlington Fire Departments. Also assisting were Sycamore Police Department, Com-ed and NICOR.

There were no injuries to residents or firefighters. The roof structure is severely damaged from flame and heat. The 2nd floor level was heavily damaged from heat, smoke, and water damage. The first floor and basement level is damaged from smoke and water. The loss from the fire is estimated at approximately \$150,000.00. The building is not habitable and all residents were relocated.

The cause of the fire is currently listed as undetermined, pending further investigation.