

**Passaic Fire Department
(NJ)**Station: **WS**
Shifts Or Platoon: **Tour 2**Location:
Oscar Variedades
28 LEONARD PL
PASSAIC NJ 07055Lat/Long:
N 40° 51' 46.25"
W 74° 7' 44.51"Zone:
Engine 1 - E1
Location Type: **1 - Street address**Incident Type:
111 - Building fireFDID: **16070**
Incident #: **2024-2393**
Exposure ID: **80659431**
Exposure #: **0**
Incident Date: **07/09/2024**
Dispatch Run #: **24-2393**

Report Completed by:	Pilipski , Damien M	ID: 147	Date: 07/09/2024
Report Reviewed by:	Hrywniak , Jacob	ID: 193	Date: 07/09/2024
Report Printed by:	Failla, Toni	ID: ADMIN	Date: 10/2/2024 Time: 10:34

Structure Type: **Enclosed building** Property Use: **549 - Specialty shop**Automatic Extinguishment System Present: ☒ Detectors Present: ☒ Cause of Ignition: **Unintentional**Aid Given or Received: **None** Primary action taken: **81 - Incident command**Additional actions: **86 - Investigate , 11 - Extinguishment by fire service personnel**

Losses	Pre-Incident Values		
Property:	Property:	Civilian Injuries: 0	Fire Service Injuries: 0
Contents:	Contents:	Civilian Fatalities: 0	Fire Service Fatalities: 0
Total:	Total:	Total Casualties: 0	Total Fire Service Casualties: 0
Total # of apparatus on call: 6		Total # of personnel on call: 16	

NARRATIVE (1)**Narrative Title:** LT. Niessen**Narrative Author:** Niessen, Robert**Narrative Date:** 07/09/2024 03:14:39**Narrative Apparatus ID:** E3**Narrative:**

Engine 3 responded to 28 Leonard Place on a reported fire @ 0023. Upon arrival was ordered by command to locate the sprinkler shutoff for the building. Members forced doors and breached walls to locate the sprinkler control room. Members assisted Ladder 2 at 753, 757 and 759 Main Ave in forcing entry to locate the control room. Members gained access to the control room and shut down the system. Sprinkler heads were replaced in the area of activation and command was terminated @ 0254.

LT. Robert Niessen

NARRATIVE (2)**Narrative Title:** T/LT Sanchez**Narrative Author:** Temporary Lieutenant, Tour 1**Narrative Date:** 07/09/2024 03:41:44**Narrative Apparatus ID:** E1**Narrative:**

Responded to 28 Leonard Pl on a reported fire @ 0022 hrs. As per command working fire. Members established a water supply & stretched a Inch 3/4 backup line to side A of the structure. Members also assisted with the removal of E Bikes that were involved in the fire. Available @ 0204 hrs.

NARRATIVE (3)**Narrative Title:** LT. R .Rivera**Narrative Author:** Rivera, Rene**Narrative Date:** 07/09/2024 03:59:18**Narrative Apparatus ID:** L1**Narrative:**

At 0023 hrs. Ladder 1 responded to 28 Leonard Pl. for reports of a structure fire. Upon arrival Ladder 1 members conducted a primary search of the fire building with negative results. Ladder 1 members also forced open a chain linked fence on the Bravo Side using a battery powered metal cutting saw. Ladder 1 members also forced a door on the Delta Side using a Flat Head Axe and a Halligan tool. Ladder 1 members also assisted in ventilating the structure using a battery powered ventilation fan and replaced two sprinkler heads which were activated during the fire, using a 18 foot ground ladder and multiple adjustable wrenches. Ladder 1 became available at 0254 hrs. when command was terminated.

LT. R. Rivera

NARRATIVE (4)**Narrative Title:** T/Capt. LaPlaca**Narrative Author:** Temporary Lieutenant, Tour 1**Narrative Date:** 07/09/2024 04:23:32**Narrative Apparatus ID:** E4**Narrative:**

Engine 4 responded to 28 Leonard Pl @ 0023 for a reported fire. Upon arrival @ 0027 established a water supply from the hydrant on Monroe St near Main Ave. Then positioned engine 4 on Leonard Pl and stretched five lengths of one and three quarter attack hose lines. There were four electric bikes on fire that were extinguished. Sprinklers were activated prior too our arrival. Then the bikes were removed and brought to the street. All other areas were searched and negative. Assisted Ladder 2 members with closing the O,S & Y valve. Members reloaded all hose lines. Released by command @ 0246 available.

T/Capt. LaPlaca # 173

NARRATIVE (5)**Narrative Title:** BC. Pilipski**Narrative Author:** Pilipski, Damien**Narrative Date:** 07/09/2024 04:30:07**Narrative Apparatus ID:** 93**Narrative:**

@0023 Responded to 28 Leonard Pl. for a reported fire. On arrival Battalion-1 established command and conducted an investigation. Found a working fire with the sprinklers activated, inside of a 1 story ordinary constructed building. The building housed a general used merchandise store. No fire alarms were sounding. Engine companies 1 & 4 made hydrants. Ladder-1 and Ladder-2 positioned at the front of the building. Engine-3 members served as the RIC Team and The Accountability Officer. Members made entry with a charged attack line and found that 3 E-Bikes were on fire just inside the front entrance of the store. The sprinklers had kept the fire from spreading. Engine-4 used the hose line to extinguish any visible fire. The 3 E-Bikes were removed from the building and the batteries were fully cooled. The area was ventilated and checked for any extension. The fire was placed under control @0049. Accountability Officer conducted a PAR. The power to the store was shut at the breakers that were located in the connected D-exposer. Ladder-2 attempted to shut down the sprinkler system by using the keys inside of the Knox Box located on the C-side (Main Ave.) of the building. None of the keys worked and they had to force entry into Mira Farm Market, Main Furniture, & T-Mobile all located at 757 Main Ave. The sprinklers were shut down, and Ladder-1 members replace 2 sprinkler heads inside of 28 Leonard. The sprinkler system was then restored by E-3. The owner of the building, Mr. Chang arrived on the scene. Upon further investigation 4 illegal bedroom apartments were found inside of 28 Leonard Pl. The business owner of Oscar Variedades stated that nobody lives in the apartments. It was obvious that this statement was false. The Housing Department was contacted by Fire Dispatch and was made aware of possible illegal apartments, but did not respond to the scene. The owner of the building was advised that no individuals are allowed to occupy the apartments at any time. And he was going to make sure all the business that the doors were forced got secured. On duty Arson Investigator J. Jones conducted the Arson Investigation. The building was turned over to the owner. Command terminated 0254

NARRATIVE (6)**Narrative Title:** Capt. Romero**Narrative Author:** Romero, Jorge**Narrative Date:** 07/09/2024 06:56:41**Narrative Apparatus ID:** L2**Narrative:**

At 0023 hrs. responded to 28 Leonard Pl. for report of a structure fire. Upon arrival Ladder 2 crew proceeded to assist with primary search and locating the fire. During the search found the main body of content fire being partially extinguish and contained by the activated sprinkler heads located about 10 ft from the entrance of the commercial building. Primary search of any occupants were negative but discovered 3 illegal bedrooms the rear of the commercial building.

After completion of the primary search and determining the fire was isolated to that area with no extension; Ladder 2 crew advanced onto the task of shutting down the sprinkler system. In the course of locating the sprinkler system due to the large size of the building with no indication of the exact location of the main shut off of the sprinkler system; Ladder 2 crew had to conduct forcible entry to 753, 755, 759 Main Ave. store fronts the attempt to utilized the keys in the knox box was unsuccessful. The main OS&Y valve was located at 759 Main Ave; the sprinkler system was completely shutdown until the sprinkler heads were replaced. After completion of all the tasks Ladder 2 was released by command and available at 0227 hrs.

NARRATIVE (7)**Narrative Title:** BC Jacob Hrywniak**Narrative Author:** Hrywniak, Jacob**Narrative Date:** 07/09/2024 15:30:33**Narrative Apparatus ID:** SAFET**Narrative:**

Resp[onded at 0027hrs for a reported working fire at 28 Leonard. Arrived on scene and conducted a face to face with BC Pilipski. Fire was knocked down at this time and companies were working to secure the sprinkler system. Had to force entry to 751-757 Main Ave to gain access to the basement to secure the sprinkler. The keys in the Knox box did not work the locks and Fire Dispatch could not get an ETA for building representatives. Building was turned over to the owner (Chi) and the situation was explained. Power was secured to the 28 Leonard address. Multiple single room occupancies found in the building, reported to code enforcement. One occupant treated by EMS on scene. All members were rehabbed and gross decon conducted, no FF injuries reported.

BC Jacob Hrywniak #193

Training & Safety Division

APPARATUS

Fire Controlled Date / Time:		7/9/2024 12:49:00 AM	
Unit	E3	Unit	93
Type:	Engine	Type:	Chief officer car
Use:	Suppression	Use:	Suppression
Response Mode:	()	Response Mode:	Lights and Sirens
# of People	3	# of People	1
Alarm	07 /09/2024 00:22:00	Alarm	07 /09/2024 00:22:00
Dispatched	07 /09/2024 00:23:00	Dispatched	07 /09/2024 00:23:00
Enroute	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --	Enroute	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --
Arrived	07 /09/2024 00:27:00	Arrived	07 /09/2024 00:27:00
Cancelled	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --	Cancelled	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --
Cleared Scene	07 /09/2024 02:54:00	Cleared Scene	07 /09/2024 02:54:00
In Quarters	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --	In Quarters	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --
In Service	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --	In Service	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --
Unit	L1	Unit	E4
Type:	Truck or aerial	Type:	Engine
Use:	Suppression	Use:	Suppression
Response Mode:	Lights and Sirens	Response Mode:	Lights and Sirens
# of People	3	# of People	3
Alarm	07 /09/2024 00:22:00	Alarm	07 /09/2024 00:22:00
Dispatched	07 /09/2024 00:23:00	Dispatched	07 /09/2024 00:23:00
Enroute	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --	Enroute	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --
Arrived	07 /09/2024 00:27:00	Arrived	07 /09/2024 00:27:00
Cancelled	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --	Cancelled	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --
Cleared Scene	07 /09/2024 02:54:00	Cleared Scene	07 /09/2024 02:46:00
In Quarters	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --	In Quarters	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --
In Service	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --	In Service	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --
Unit	L2	Unit	E1
Type:	Truck or aerial	Type:	Engine
Use:	Suppression	Use:	Suppression
Response Mode:	No Lights or Sirens	Response Mode:	Lights and Sirens
# of People	3	# of People	3
Alarm	07 /09/2024 00:22:00	Alarm	07 /09/2024 00:22:00
Dispatched	07 /09/2024 00:23:00	Dispatched	07 /09/2024 00:23:00
Enroute	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --	Enroute	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --
Arrived	07 /09/2024 00:27:00	Arrived	07 /09/2024 00:27:00
Cancelled	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --	Cancelled	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --
Cleared Scene	07 /09/2024 02:27:00	Cleared Scene	07 /09/2024 02:04:00
In Quarters	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --	In Quarters	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --
In Service	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --	In Service	-- / -- / -- -- : -- : --
Number Of People not on apparatus: 0			

FIRE			
Acres Burned	None or Less Than One	Acres Burn From Wildland Form	False
Material			
Bicycles, tricycles, unicycles			
Storage Use			
Packaged goods for sale			
Area Of Fire Origin	Assembly or sales area, other	Heat Source	Heat source: other
Item First Ignited	Undetermined	Fire Is Confined To Object Of Origin	
Type Of Material	Type of material first ignited, other	Cause Of Ignition	Unintentional
Factor Contributing To Ignition	Electrical failure, malfunction, other		
Human Factors Contributing	None		
Equipment Involved In Ignition Flag	True	Equipment Involved	Other equipment involved in ignition
Equipment Power Source	Electrical, other	Equipment Portability	Portable

STRUCTURE FIRE			
Structure Type	Enclosed building	Building Status	In normal use
# Of Stories At Above Grade	1	# Of Stories Below Grade	0
Square Feet		Length	60
Width	40	Floor Of Origin	1
Fire Spread	Confined to room of origin		
Minor Damage	0	Significant Damage	0
Heavy Damage	0	Extreme Damage	0
Presence Of Detectors	Present	Type Of Detection System	Smoke
Detector Power Supply	Hardwire only	Detector Operation	Detector failed to operate
Detector Effectiveness		Detector Failure Reason	Undetermined
Presence OF AES	Present	Type Of AES	Wet-pipe sprinkler system
Operation Of Automatic Extinguishing System	System operated and was effective	Number Of Sprinkler Heads Operating	2

PEOPLE -- PERSON 1			
Is Owner	True	Business Name	
Telephone Number	551-795-4986	Involvement	
Name	MR Chee Chang	Date of Birth	
Address			

PEOPLE -- PERSON 2			
Is Owner	False	Business Name	Osacr Variedades
Telephone Number	862-600-0989	Involvement	Business owner
Name	MR Oscar Lirriano	Date of Birth	
Address	270 Madison AVE PASSAIC, NJ 07055-		

PEOPLE -- PERSON 3

Is Owner	False	Business Name	The Bother's Screen Print
Telephone Number	862-232-1867	Involvement	Business owner
Name	MR Jose Luis Hernandez	Date of Birth	
Address	32 Henry ST Passaic, NJ 07110-		

CUSTOM FIELDS FORM

Is this response related to a Lithium-Ion battery fire / explosion / incident?	YES
COVID-19 (Coronavirus) presumptive related incident/response?	NO
Is this CIVIL UNREST / PROTEST / RIOT Related?	NO, this is NOT attributed to a CIVIL UNREST / PROTEST / RIOT situation
Were FIRE HYDRANT(s) blocked at this fire/emergency scene? (If yes, notify police immediately).	No
If this was a restaurant, bar, night club or any other place of gathering, was HOOKAH (or any other tobacco product) being smoked?	NO
Were CO (Carbon Monoxide) levels present?	NO

Member Making Report (Battalion Chief Damien M Pilipski): _____

Incident Reviewer (Battalion Chief Jacob Hrywniak): _____