

NEWS RELEASE

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Stubborn Fire on Selby Street in Abandoned Home

Summary

On March 9th at approximately 10 a.m., Nanaimo Fire Rescue crews responded to reports of a structure fire in the 200 block Selby Street. Crews arrived to find a fully involved single family dwelling with black smoke billowing upwards. Once crews were able to gain control of the fire, they conducted a search finding no people inside the abandoned home. The fire proved to be stubborn with crews working to extinguish hot spots throughout the morning.

Selby street between Wentworth and Fitzwilliam was closed for the morning through till mid afternoon. The Fire Prevention Division has begun investigating the cause.

Strategic Link: The City of Nanaimo is committed to Public Safety

Key Points

- Fire Crews attended a fully involved fire on Selby Street.
- The home was abandoned and no people were found inside.

Quotes

"Nanaimo Fire Rescue crews were able to limit the spread of the fire to adjacent buildings. Given the age of the home and the fact that it was abandoned, the fire spread quickly. Thankfully no one was inside the building. "

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