

City of Olean Fire Department Press Release  
Structure Fire at 511 North Seventh Street  
October 8, 2021

Today at 3:01 AM City of Olean Firefighters were dispatched to a working structure fire at 511 North Seventh Street in North Olean. Fire and police crews arrived three minutes after dispatch to a 2.5 story, wood frame structure with heavy flames showing from the rear of the building. The structure was already boarded up and was confirmed as being vacant. This resulted in no interior attack operations as there was no life hazard present. Crews immediately attacked the fire from the exterior to stop the fire from spreading to the exposure on the south side of the building, which was starting to ignite. Command requested a second alarm which brought in additional firefighters to cover the City. The fire was deemed under control around 4:00 AM and damage to the exposure was limited due to the quick response of fire crews.

The City of Olean Fire Department responded with two engines, one ladder truck and one ambulance. Trans Am Ambulance Services and the City of Olean Police assisted at the scene. The City of Olean Fire Investigation Team is presently on scene and the fire is deemed suspicious with no further details being released at this time.

We will release further details, on this incident, later on today.

Sincerely,

Tim Richardson  
Fire Chief