



Biddeford Fire Department
Incident Report

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Incident #: 20-4114-IN Exp. 0

Call #: 20-37852

Location: 10 CLIFFORD ST
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BIDDEFORD, ME 04005

Census Tract: 179-
District: Biddeford 09
Station: BIDDEFORD CENTRAL

Officer In Charge: WHEELER, ERIC on 10/15/2020
Report By: WHEELER, ERIC on 10/15/2020
Approved By: WHEELER, ERIC on 10/15/2020

Basic Incident Information

Incident Type: False alarm or false call, other - BFD RESIDENTIAL
ALARM MALFUNCTION

Property Use: Multifamily dwelling
Actions Taken: Investigate
Restore fire alarm system

Owner: 10 CLIFFORD ST
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BIDDEFORD, ME 04005

Resources Used Summary

Alarm: 10/15/2020 @ 0044 Arrived: 10/15/2020 @ 0051
Cleared: 10/15/2020 @ 0119

Shift: C Alarms: 0 Aid: None

	<u>Apparatus</u>		<u>Personnel</u>
Suppression:	2	Suppression:	6
EMS:	0	EMS:	0
Other:	0	Other:	0

Casualties Summary

	<u>Deaths</u>		<u>Injuries</u>
Fire Service:	0	Fire Service:	0
Civilian:	0	Civilian:	0

People and Entities Involved Type Sex Age Home # Work

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#	Apparatus	Type	Dates/Times	Per Use	Actions Taken
1	Biddeford Engine 26 BIDE26	Engine	Disp 10/15/2020 @ 0046 Arr 10/15/2020 @ 0051 Clr 10/15/2020 @ 0119 InQt 10/15/2020 @ 0119 InSv 10/15/2020 @ 0119	3 Suppr	- Investigate - Restore fire alar
2	Biddeford Truck 32 BIDTR32	Truck or aerial	Disp 10/15/2020 @ 0046 Arr 10/15/2020 @ 0051 Clr 10/15/2020 @ 0103 InQt 10/15/2020 @ 0103 InSv 10/15/2020 @ 0103	3 Suppr	- Standby

#	ID	Personnel	Start	End	Dty	Station	App
1	10956	Carraux, Benjamin	10/15/2020 @ 0044	10/15/2020 @ 0119	ST	CEN	BIDTR32
2	20530	Drew, Michael	10/15/2020 @ 0046	10/15/2020 @ 0119	ST	CEN	BIDE26
3	68625	WHEELER, ERIC	10/15/2020 @ 0046	10/15/2020 @ 0119	OI	CEN	BIDE26
4	10785	CUNNINGHAM, RYAN	10/15/2020 @ 0046	10/15/2020 @ 0119	DR	CEN	BIDE26
5	56101	Piche, Nancy	10/15/2020 @ 0046	10/15/2020 @ 0103	DR	CEN	BIDTR32
6	10414	Stevenson, Andrew	10/15/2020 @ 0044	10/15/2020 @ 0119	ST	CEN	BIDTR32

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NARRATIVE FOR CAPTAIN ERIC WHEELER

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Entered: 10/15/2020 @ 0142 Entry ID: 68625
Modified: 10/15/2020 @ 0142 Modified ID: 68625

Engine 26 & Truck 32 dispatched to 10 Clifford st for smoke detector sounding. alarm called in from neighbor across the street, no smoke or fire.

Arrival on scene, nothing showing from three sides, three story , multi-family, wood frame building, command mode investigating.

The caller met us at the engine, he states the alarm has been sounding for some time and it happens frequently that he can hear the detectors active.

We proceeded to the third floor via enclosed A side stairs. A young child opened the door of apartment 301 when we knocked. Detectors sounding throughout the apartment. The first thing I noticed is ALL the detectors were covered with pink plastic bags. We made our way through the apartment, removing the bags, locating the active head in the front living room. Pressing the reset button, the detectors silenced. While speaking with the occupants the detectors sounded again, same head activation. We removed the one detector. The apartment has four others that remained in service.

I spoke with Maxime Sinzumusi (207-281-2136) with the help of his teenage daughter. I explained the detectors cannot be covered.

Sinzumusi informed me the landlord placed the bags on the detectors, adding they have been instructed to NOT call the fire department if the detectors sound which they do often for prolonged periods, but to call him. Sinzumusi went on to say they were told their breath is what is activating the alarms. Repeating again and again the landlord tells them this.

I informed Sinzumusi that the Fire department and or Codes department would be following up with the landlord.

Command terminated , both units in service

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