

**KEARNEY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
**MEDIA RELEASE**

Date of Fire 26 December 2024 Alarm Time 17:22  
Location of Fire 220 Yanney Avenue South Type of Emergency Structure Fire  
Possible Cause Under Investigation Number of Firefighters 40  
Number Type of Trucks 2 engines, 4 tankers, 1 grass rig, & 4 utility vehicles  
Occupant \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner: Phyllis Broadfoot Address 220 Yanney Avenue South

Does residence have a smoke alarm(s)? Yes  No  Unknown  Not Applicable

Was the smoke alarm(s) working? Yes  No  Unknown  Not Applicable

If no, reason smoke alarm(s) were not working: Battery Dead  Battery missing or disconnected

Hardwired detector unplugged or shut off  Fire too small to activate detector  Other

Details The Kearney Volunteer Fire Department (KVFD) was dispatched to 220 Yanney Avenue for the report of a structure fire. While enroute, dispatch advised that the house was almost fully engulfed and there were no occupants in the structure. Upon arrival KVFD established command and began fire attack. A water shuttle operation was established for water supply. The fire was brought under control at 20:03. The State Fire Marshal was requested to assist with the fire origin and cause investigation. The cause remains under investigation, but the preliminary investigation results indicates the fire was accidental and was caused by an electrical event in the area of the living room on the first floor of the home. The home is a total loss. Other agencies assisting at the scene were Buffalo County Sheriff's Office, CHI Good Samaritan EMS, NPPD, & Black Hills Energy. No injuries were reported.