

KEARNEY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
MEDIA RELEASE

Date of Fire 21 February 2025 Alarm Time 12:27 Under Control 13:08

Location of Fire 2023 25th Rd, #46 Type of Emergency Structure Fire

Possible Cause Under Investigation Number of Firefighters **

Number Type of Trucks 2 engines, 4 tankers, 1 grass rig, & 4 utility vehicles

Occupant _____

Owner: _____ Address _____

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 2023 25th Road, #46 for the report of a structure fire with occupants possibly inside. While enroute, dispatch advised that #46 was fully engulfed and 1-2 additional neighboring structures had caught fire. Additionally, at that time, it was reported by bystanders that all occupants had been accounted for and were evacuated. Upon arrival, KVFD established command and began fire attack. A water shuttle operation was established for water supply. The fire was contained to only one structure & brought under control at 13:08. The cause of the fire remains under investigation, but the preliminary investigation results indicates the fire was accidental and was caused by a wood burning stove. The home is a total loss. Other agencies assisting at the scene were the Buffalo County Sheriff's Office, Kearney County Sheriff's Office, Kearney Police Department, CHI Good Samaritan EMS, SPPD & Northwestern Energy. No injuries were reported.