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### **1115 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Fire Update**

ROCKFORD – On November 7, 2015 at approximately 3:37 a.m., the Rockford Fire Department was dispatched to a reported structure fire in the Old Fire Station #4 located at 1115 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The building is owned by the City of Rockford and leased to the Golden Agers Center.

The first arriving fire companies noted fire at the roof line and eaves at the rear of the structure, in an area, later determined by our investigators to be above a wooden storage shed. The interior fire attack began on the second floor and heavy fire was noted in the attic space. The fire continued to spread prompting an evacuation and a tactics change to a defensive operation. After the on-scene investigation concluded, it was determined that the fire began in this storage shed and fire had extended into attic space of the main structure through the overhanging eaves, resulting in total loss of the building.

A female that may be related to this crime is currently being held on unrelated charges. Her name is not being released at this time due to the ongoing investigation.

Anyone with information on this fire, or any other fire in the City of Rockford, are urged to call Rockford Area Crime Stopper at (888) 769-7867 or Rockford Fire Department at (779) 348-7171.

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