



Claremont Fire Department

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*****PRESS RELEASE*****

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At approximately 8:01 PM on Tuesday, July 22, 2025, the Claremont Fire Department was dispatched to a reported structure fire at 22 Memorial Drive. C-1, Engine 3, and Ladder 1 responded, and while enroute, called for a full box assignment. Crews arrived on scene at 8:04 PM to find a working fire involving a single-story wood-frame residence, with visible flames on the exterior extending to the attached garage.

An initial 1 ¾" handline was deployed for exterior fire attack. Once the visible flames were knocked down, crews transitioned to an interior attack and successfully contained the fire to the area of origin. Crews conducted overhaul operations, including pulling sections of the interior ceiling to check for fire extension to ensure complete extinguishment.

The cause of the fire was determined to be accidental, originating from the homeowner burning weeds near the house earlier in the day. The fire is not considered suspicious, and the residence is insured.

I would like to personally commend the first-arriving fire company for their quick and effective fire suppression efforts, which ultimately saved the primary structure. I also want to recognize the neighbors who saw the fire, immediately called 911, and with the assistance from the local police department, were able to rescue several pets.

Claremont Fire was assisted on scene by the Newport Fire Department, Claremont Police Department, and Golden Cross Ambulance. The Unity Fire Department and Ascutney Fire Department (VT) provided station coverage during the incident. No injuries were reported.

James Chamberlain
Chief of Department