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**DATE:** 1/23/2023

**SUBJECT:** Structure Fire at 2406 W Fourth Street

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**NATURE OF INCIDENT:** Structure Fire

**CASE NO.:** 23000835

**INCIDENT DATE:** 1/23/2023

**INCIDENT TIME:** 7:57 AM

**INCIDENT LOCATION:** 2406 W Fourth Street

**Structure Fire at 2406 W Fourth Street**

Just before 8:00 am on Monday, January 23, Duluth Fire Department was dispatched to a structure fire at 2406 W Fourth Street. A passerby viewed the fire on the exterior of the building and called 911. The passerby then proceeded to knock doors to notify residents of the fire. The passerby also attempted to extinguish the fire by shoveling snow onto it, successfully extinguishing around 90 percent of the fire. Duluth Fire Department was on scene in a matter of minutes and fought the hot spots left. DFD was on scene for under 30 minutes. The fire was limited to the exterior of the building and never made it inside the interior. No injuries were reported.

“Thanks to the safe and quick action of the passerby and their call to 911, the structure has limited damage and nobody, thankfully, was injured,” said DFD Assistant Chief Dan Lattner about the incident. “Personal safety is paramount in cases like these, so we thank this citizen not only for their expedience in calling for emergency services and to attempt to notify the building’s residents, but also for carefully minding their own personal safety in attempting to control the fire by shoveling snow on it.” Damage to the structure is estimated to be between \$10,000 and \$20,000.

Duluth Fire Department would like to thank the citizen passerby for reporting the fire and saving damage to the structure. The cause of the fire is under investigation by Duluth Fire Department’s Fire Marshal’s office.

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