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Overnight Fire in Sexsmith

At approximately 4:45 a.m. on Friday, October 16, County of Grande Prairie Regional Fire Service Dunes and Clairmont stations and the Sexsmith Fire Department responded to a reported structure fire in Sexsmith on 104 Street in the Rycroft Ridge Subdivision.

Upon arrival, a vehicle was found to be on fire in the attached garage, and a resident actively fighting the fire with a garden hose. The fire was quickly brought under control by firefighters upon arrival and as a result, the fire did not extend into the residence. It is believed the fire originated in the engine compartment of the vehicle.

“Thankfully, the residents of the home discovered the fire quickly and an early call to 911 was made, while they attempted to action the fire with resources they had available,” said County Regional Fire Service Deputy Chief Jason Nesbitt. “We would like to remind the community that you should only attempt to control fires if they are small and it is safe to do so, and always follow the directions of fire department personnel.”

“Vehicle fires can be very dangerous, and the smoke released when they are on fire is extremely toxic,” Nesbitt added.

The fire is currently under investigation by the County Fire Marshall.

No persons were injured as a result of the fire.

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