

BROOME COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION

BROOME COUNTY, NEW YORK

Binghamton Fire Responds to Garage Fire

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G. Kilpatrick photo - Crews work to extinguish the fire

At 0841 hours on the morning of December 20th, 2011, while group D was working, Binghamton Fire was dispatched to alarm #2011-8997 for a reported garage fire behind 119 Murray Street. Responding units reported heavy smoke showing as soon as they pulled out of their stations.

Once on scene the fire was found to be a fully involved five stall garage. The property was reported by media to be vacant but that there may have been a couple homeless people living in the garage before the fire.

Hose lines were stretched from both sides of the block to extinguish the fire and protect the exposures on all sides. Supply lines were stretched from several nearby hydrants to supplement tank water.

Crews had the main body of fire knocked down within about fifteen minutes but remained on scene for a couple house doing overhaul. The cause of the fire is under investigation by the Binghamton Fire Marshal's Office.



G. Kilpatrick photo- Crews continue overhaul of the garage.



G. Kilpatrick photo- Crews work to pull down parts of the brick facade of the garage to extinguish hot spots.



G. Kilpatrick photo- View between structures from Murray Street.



G. Kilpatrick photo- Ladders are used in the rear of the garage to douse hot spots.