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Case No. 16-5250

Portage fire units were dispatched to the 6400 block of Angling Road just after 7:00 p.m. for a house fire. Firefighters arrived and attempted to enter the home to begin attacking the fire and search for victims, but were ordered out of the structure due to deteriorating conditions. The fire was attacked from the exterior until the fire was deemed under control, approximately ninety minutes after fire units were dispatched. The occupants were not present at the time of the incident. The initial investigation determined the fire started in the basement. The cause of the fire is still under investigation by the Fire Marshal. The damage to the home and its contents as a result of the fire is estimated at \$200,000.

Texas Township, Oshtemo Township, Comstock Township, Pavilion Township, Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety, and South Kalamazoo County Fire Authority provided assistance at the scene and staffing Portage Fire Stations during the incident.

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