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TYPE OF INCIDENT: Structure Fire

DATE: Saturday, June 11, 2016 **TIME:** 1651 PM

LOCATION: 2455 Carpenter Rd.

FIRE COMPLAINT NUMBER: 16-1121

INFORMATION: Pittsfield fire was dispatched to an outdoor odor investigation. Upon arrival there was smoke and flames showing from the exterior of the building. Fire crews extinguished the fire from the exterior before entering and making an interior attack on the 2nd floor where fire had extended into the attic space. Mutual Aid companies (AAFD, YTFD, YFD) were used to help search the building for occupants and it was later determined that everyone was out.

Regents Staff started working on finding alternate arraignments for the guest for the night.

Video footage from the scene showed that a cigarette was dropped into the mulch outside of the building near a decorative pillar like area of the building. The cigarette then caught the mulch on fire and caused flames to enter into the hollow pillar, acting like a chimney sending heat and smoke to the 2nd floor and attic space. The fire has been ruled unintentional.

Crews remained on scene until smoke was cleared from the building and residents were allowed back inside to retrieve their personal belongings.

When fire crews left the scene, the hotel staff were working on finding alternate locations for displaced tenants, and a restoration company was on the scene cleaning up and securing the building.

No Injuries were reported.

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ADDITIONAL: None.

FURTHER INVESTIGATION: none

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