

## **POLK COUNTY FIRE-RESCUE**

**Media Advisory:** Contact: Fire Chief Michael Hanuscin

**Suspicious Fires in Abandoned Houses** Phone: (470)654-3294

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## Cedartown, GA

Polk County, Cedartown, Georgia (Wednesday September 20,2023): Polk County Fire Rescue Department Units were dispatched to two structure fires on Berry Road. The First Fire was reported at 20:06:41 Hrs (8:06 PM). Polk County Fire Units arrived on scene 12 minutes from time of dispatch. Crews extinguished fire with three 1 ¾ inch hand lines, utilizing water tankers for supplying engine companies. Crews cleared fire at 21:57:26 Hrs. A second fire was dispatched as a possible rekindle at 23:04:01 Hrs. Crews arrived on scene and found abandoned structure at 512 Berry Road on the adjacent lot on fire. Crews extinguished fire and Cleared scene. Polk County Fire Rescue notified the county Fire Investigator and State Fire Marshal. An investigation was conducted on the morning of September 21, 2023. These fires were determined to be suspicious in nature. Anyone with information regarding these two incidents are encouraged to contact the Georgia Arson Control Hotline at 1-800-282-5804. Callers may be eligible to receive a Reward up to \$10,000 for information leading to an arrest and conviction related to these fires.

