

Friday scrapyard fire battled in Atchison

(KAIR)--A late Friday morning fire on Atchison's Main Street brought fire crews rushing to the scene, where they battled the flames that began with a heavy equipment fire that spread to hoses, wiring, oil, and grease, at Brox Properties, located at 900 Main Street.

According to a news release from Patrick Weishaar, Interim Fire Chief of the Atchison Fire Department, the spreading of the flames led to what he calls "a more significant fire," that crews "were able to quickly extinguish."

No injuries, or damages to the property, long known as a scrapyard for metal recycling, were reported.

According to Weishaar, fire crews, upon arrival, found a piece of Dott-brand heavy equipment on fire. It was being dismantled for scrap when heat from a cutting torch ignited a tire on the vehicle, which led to the 11 a.m. fire.

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