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New Fires Net Suspects

On Nov. 9, at approximately 5 p.m., Boulder City Police Detective Brett Wibrew was called to respond to multiple fire scenes located near the 800 block of Avenue B. Sgt. Dan Jennings, first on the scene, advised Wibrew that he has spoken to a witness to the fires. The witness advised Jennings he recognized one of the suspects who had placed a lit firework into one of the dumpsters that burned. Jennings also advised Wibrew that he had spoken with another passer by who also stated that he had seen two male juveniles running away from the scene of the second dumpster fire at 870 Avenue B prior to the arrival of emergency personnel.

While conducting his fire investigation, Wibrew heard a loud whistling noise which was followed by what sounded like a small explosion. Moments after hearing the explosion, Wibrew heard several male voices coming from the direction where he heard the explosion. He walked toward the voices until he encountered three male juveniles that matched the descriptions provided by the witnesses. The juveniles were also in possession of a large amount of legal and illegal fireworks.

At the scene, Wibrew interviewed the three juveniles who admitted to setting both dumpster fires on Avenue B, as well as setting a third fire in a garbage can at Oasis Park, which had gone unreported.

All three juveniles were placed under arrest for three counts of 3rd Degree Arson and three counts of Conspiracy to Commit Arson. One of the juveniles received additional charges for being in possession of a dangerous/deadly weapon. All three juveniles were transported to the Clark County Juvenile Detention Center for booking.

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