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Press Release

Medina FD Responds for Report of Smoke in Building

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*** For Immediate Release ***

The Medina Fire Department was dispatched for a report of smoke in the building at 444 Main Street, Bank of America, at 8:22am today. Also dispatched was the Shelby Fire Company for a pumper and the Lyndonville Fire Department for a FAST team. Both agencies are automatic assistance on the Medina Fire Department's first alarm assignment.

Upon arrival of Medina Engine 11, Captain Michael Maak established Incident Command and appointed FF Elsenheimer Operations. The first crew in the building noted a light haze and a smell of electrical smoke. Crews conducted a walk through of the first floor, basement, second floor, and adjoining occupancy and only noted odor of smoke on the first floor in the bank.

Through the assistance of a thermal imaging camera, which helps firefighters detect unseen heat sources, firefighters checked all computers, appliances, light fixtures, and electrical outlets. No heat sources were detected. Firefighters also checked in several locations above the suspended ceiling and again no heat or smoke sources were detected.

Maintenance services for Bank of America were requested to the scene. When fire crews cleared the scene at 9:30am, the bank remained closed for further inspection of heating and electrical systems.

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