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Chatham County Police Continue to Investigate Old River Road Incident that Led to a House Fire

Chatham County, GA (July 9, 2018) – Chatham County Police officers received several calls for service on Old River Road in the early morning hours of July 8, 2018. Residents made complaints of people knocking on their doors and they heard people shouting outside.

The final dispatch was for a house engulfed in fire on Old River Road. Chatham Emergency Services responded to the scene and extinguished the fire. However, the home was destroyed.

Officers made two arrest in connection with these series of incidents on July 8, 2018. Both Charles Robert Scarboro III, 35, and Matthew Hankins, 22, were arrested for criminal trespass (x2) and criminal attempt to commit a crime (x2). Additional charges maybe filed pending the outcome of the investigation.

The house fire investigation has been turned over to the Georgia State Fire Marshal's Office for further investigation. Any further questions on that part of the investigation should be directed to their office.

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