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Barn Fire in Beloit

[Beloit, Wisconsin]— The City of Beloit Fire Department responded to a barn fire at 10 am today at 3870 Gateway Blvd. Upon arrival fire department units found a barn fully involved. There were four horses in the barn when the fire started but they were rescued by the owner and police units who arrived on scene. A MABAS Box was requested for additional help because of the extreme cold today. Responding departments included South Beloit, Town of Beloit, Harlem Roscoe, Clinton, Orfordville, Footville, Edgerton, Janesville, Mercy MD-1 and Cherry Valley. Beloit Transit also responded with a bus to house cold firefighters.

The barn, which housed four horses and hay, is a total loss. The owner also lost a new horse trailer which was parked by the barn. The owner's home, garage and a vehicle were also damaged during the fire. Damage is estimated at \$71,000. The property is owned by Karen Havens. The cause of the fire was determined to be a space heater that had malfunctioned.

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact the Beloit Fire Department.

Deputy Chief Joe Murray