



## Wyckoff Police Department PRESS RELEASE

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**TO: ALL NEWS MEDIA**  
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### **For Immediate Release:**

**On June 15, at approximately 10:00 PM, a resident of Meadowbrook Road reported that they heard a loud noise in their garage. When they went to investigate, they observed smoke and flames and called 911. The Wyckoff Police along with the Wyckoff Fire Department responded to the scene. The fire was contained to the garage and was extinguished by the fire department. Fire damage was limited to the garage, however, the adjoining house suffered smoke and heat damage. The Wyckoff Fire Official determined the cause of the fire to be an electric scooter with a lithium-ion battery that was plugged in and charging.**

**The Wyckoff Police Department would like to remind everyone of the dangers associated with lithium-ion batteries. Please see the link below from National Fire Protection Association.**

**<https://www.nfpa.org/-/media/Files/Public-Education/Resources/Safety-tip-sheets/LithiumIonBatterySafety.ashx>**

***The Wyckoff Police Department would like to point out that the above individuals have been charged with a crime, offense, and or motor vehicle violations. However, they are presumed innocent unless and until they are found guilty in a court of law.***

***We cannot stress enough the value of our residents remaining alert in their neighborhoods and reporting anything unusual or suspicious to the police, “Hear It! See It!, Report It!”***

***We encourage all residents to report ANY suspicious persons, vehicles, or activity occurring at any time to the Wyckoff Police – County Communications Center at 201-891-2121 or 911 in the event of an emergency.***