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Media Release

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Re: Arson - Arrest

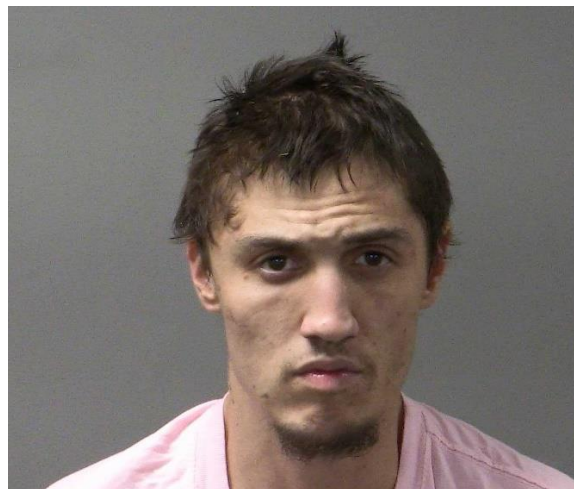
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On Monday July 6, 2020 at approximately 5:30PM Klamath County Sheriff's Office deputies were dispatched to the area of 7400 block of Hagger Way for a suspected arson. Upon arrival deputies interviewed residents who stated that the fire was started by Robert Lee Martinez following a dispute.

Martinez was seen leaving the residence and detained by an off duty Malin Police Department Reserve Officer with assistance from Klamath Community College Campus Security. Multiple crews from Klamath County Fire District 1 as well as support units from Kingsley Fire worked to suppress the fire which began in a trailer and spread to adjacent structures.

Martinez is lodged at Klamath County Jail on charges including:

- Arson 1st Degree
- Arson 2nd Degree x2
- Criminal Mischief 1st Degree
- Reckless Burning



Robert Lee Martinez
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