

***Hollis, New Hampshire***



# ***HOLLIS POLICE DEPARTMENT***

## **Press Release**

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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Date:**

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Capt. Brendan LaFlamme

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On 3/23/23 at approximately 9:00 PM, Hollis Police and Fire Departments were dispatched to the area of 137 South Merrimack Rd for a reported brush fire, which was located on private property. Upon arrival, Hollis Police Officers located an individual on scene who admitted to intentionally starting the fire. This subject was also found to be in possession of packages that were addressed to Hollis residents. After a brief investigation, Richard Gallagher, 53, of no fixed address, was placed under arrest. Gallagher is charged with Arson, Illegal Kindling of Fire, Theft by Unauthorized Taking, and Receiving Stolen Property. He was transported to the Hollis Police Department for processing. Gallagher refused the services of a bail commissioner and was transported to the Hillsborough County House of Corrections to await his arraignment on 3/24/23.

The Hollis Fire Department was able to extinguish the fire quickly.