



## Fire code violation conviction – 803 King Street

**Port Colborne, ON (Jan. 28, 2022)** – On Jan. 14, 2022, 1825081 Ontario Inc. was convicted in Provincial Offences Court for failing to comply with the Ontario Fire Code and was fined a total of \$6,255.00, \$5,000.00 plus \$1,255.00 in victim surcharges, in accordance with the provisions of the Fire Protection and Prevention Act.

On June 9, 2020, Port Colborne Fire & Emergency Services responded to 803 King Street for a fire alarm activation reported by a monitoring company. The fire alarm had been reset prior to the fire departments arrival, causing difficulties for the fire crews to identify the location of the fire alarm activation.

The owner of the property at 803 King Street was charged with failing to ensure the fire alarm system was not manually silenced by supervisory staff, in accordance with the approved procedures as per the fire safety plan.

### Quotes

“Fire alarms are meant to alarm occupants to exit the residence/building and head to the previously identified meeting spot as part of your escape plan,” said Fire Chief Scott Lawson. “When alarms are disabled it not only puts occupants at risk but prevents fire fighters from quickly identifying and reacting to the area of concern.”

“Fire alarms are only effective if they are working,” said Mayor Bill Steele. “Always ensure your alarms are in working order, and if activated your first concern should always be using an exit identified in your escape plan.”

Port Colborne residents and property owners that require assistance ensuring alarms are working, creating an escape plan, or determining if their buildings are compliant, are encouraged to call Port Colborne Fire & Emergency Services at 905-834-4512.

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