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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Camden County Fire Rescue  
 Graduates New Firefighters**

**WOODBINE, Ga. – December 18, 2020 –** The Camden County Board of Commissioners is pleased to announce that seven members of Recruit Class 2020-05 have completed their Basic Firefighter requirements. Ulysses Carswell, Jeremy Griffin, Cody Herrin, Daniel Lalkas, Matthew Liddell, Brett Miller, and Erik Wright were recognized at a graduation ceremony held last week along with Doug Flowers and Devin Kennedy of the St. Marys Fire Department.



Members of Recruit Class 2020-05 practice using extrication tools.

In his keynote address, Camden County Fire Rescue (CCFR) Chief Terry Smith encouraged the new firefighters to enjoy their journey as they each begin careers in the fire service. He also

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stressed the importance of professionalism as they seek to maintain the public’s trust. Similar sentiments and instructions were expressed by Assistant Chief Charles Lowther, Operations Chief Lisa Boyett, and Training Captain Tim Haney as they welcomed and honored the new graduates throughout the ceremony. A limited number of colleagues, family, and friends participated in the ceremony.

“Assistance from our partners, including Camden County Emergency Management, Georgia Forestry Commission, Kingsland Fire Department, and St. Marys Fire Department, contribute the success of this program and our firefighters as they start their new careers,” said CCFR Chief Terry Smith. “As always, we continue to be thankful to the Board of Commissioners for their ongoing support of this program and Camden County Fire Rescue.”

Members of Recruit Class 2020-05 selected Ulysses Carswell as their Class President. Erik Wright received a certificate for having the highest grade average. Devin Kennedy was recognized as Most Improved. Cody Herrin received the Top Rung award for leadership and creating comradery amongst the class.



Members of Recruit Class 2020-05 participate in live fire training.

The ten-week program included both classroom and practical skills training to prepare firefighter recruits for earning state certification. These firefighters will continue their training by taking an Emergency Medical Technician Basic (EMT-B) course. For more information about future recruit classes, please contact Camden County Fire Rescue Headquarters at 912-729-3911.

**About Camden County:** Located in the extreme southeast corner of Georgia, Camden County truly is “Georgia’s Coastal Community of Choice.” Originally formed in 1777, Camden County is best known for its rich history, natural scenic beauty and Southern hospitality. Our vision is helping to make this the best place to live by preserving and enhancing the history and quality of life, while promoting smart growth and providing an efficient, effective and responsive government.

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