

Ohio Attorney General's Office Bureau of Criminal Investigation Investigative Report



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Officer-Involved Critical Incident - 6463 Tara Brooke Court, Hamilton, OH 45011 (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Officer

Date of Activity: 10/08/2022

Activity Location: - 6463 Tara Brooke Ct , Hamilton, OH 45011, Butler County

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Narrative:

On October 8, 2022, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested to investigate an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that occurred at 6463 Tara Brooke Court, Hamilton, Ohio, which resulted in the death of Stephaun Jones.

BCI Special Agent (SA) Doug Eveslage interviewed Deputy Taylor Henson (Henson), badge #1943, with the Butler County Sheriff's Department about his involvement with the OICI. The details below summarize the pertinent portions of the recorded interview. Please refer to the audio recording for additional information.

The interview with Deputy Henson began at 2212 hours at the scene location, 6463 Tara Brooke Court, Hamilton, Ohio. Henson has been a deputy with the Butler County Sheriff's Office for approximately 12 years, with eight years on road patrol.

Dep. Henson said he was clearing a call as he heard the dispatch about a silver vehicle fleeing a scene, and there was possibly "a self inflicted gunshot wound" and the subject in the vehicle was shooting at other people in the area. Henson was the first county deputy to arrive on scene at the Morris Road address because he was right around the corner.

As Henson arrived on scene, he noticed multiple Fairfield Township police officers focusing on the silver vehicle, so he armed himself with his duty rifle. After a few minutes, Deputies Henson and Murphy moved closer to the house at the request of a Fairfield Township officer. Henson moved with several other officers that cleared the barn on the property, but Henson held watch over the outside.

Henson stated that he and several others assisted the West Chester Police K-9 with their tracking of the subject. As the track continued in the backyards of Tara Brooke Court, dispatch advised there was a subject matching the description walking "up and down the street" on Tara Brooke Court. He heard shots being fired, so he started "sprinting" down the street towards the gunfire. When he arrived, Deputy Duane Monroe was cutting the clothing off of the subject to

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provide first aid. Henson provided CPR on the subject while others were addressing the gunshot wounds.

Henson was advised to assist the two Hamilton police officers that were involved in the shooting since he has been through an officer involved shooting previously; however, they were "already secured" so he stayed at the Tara Brooke Court scene and assisted.

SA Eveslage asked how many shots Henson heard, and he stated, "about three or four shots." SA Eveslage asked Henson where the gunshot wounds were specifically located on the subject, and he advised there was an "in and out" from the left shoulder to the center of the spine, and another "further down by his waist."

SA Eveslage asked Henson if he could describe where he saw the subject's weapon, and he said the weapon was ten feet away from the subject's feet. SA Eveslage asked if Henson saw anyone touch or move the weapon and he replied, "No," someone stood by the weapon to ensure no one changed its condition.

The interview concluded at 2221 hours. A copy of the audio recording is attached to this incident.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2022–10–08 Deputy Taylor Henson Interview

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Exhibit 1

Included as a separate file.