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2024-2727

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 1370 Belmont Avenue,
Youngstown, Ohio 44504, Mahoning County

Investigative Activity: Responding Officer BWC Review
Involves: Youngstown Police Department
Activity Date: 01/29/2025
Activity Location: 4055 Highlander Parkway, Richfield, Ohio 44286
Authoring Agent: SA Eric Lehnhart

Narrative:

On Monday, November 25, 2024, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Eric Lehnhart (SA Lehnhart) received video footage from Youngstown Police Department. SA Lehnhart was informed that the videos contained footage from the body cameras recorded by the Youngstown Police Department.

SA Lehnhart reviewed the following body worn camera (BWC) video recordings and noted the following:

Sergeant Fulmer

1. Sergeant Fulmer's body worn camera (BWC) video was identifiable as 2024-09-10 17:24:05 – 400 Axon Body 4 D01A8155. This video is three minutes and thirty-six seconds (03:36) in length. There is no audio on the video for the first 30 seconds of the recording. As Sergeant Fulmer entered the store, he briefly spoke with [REDACTED] before turning off his BWC volume to speak with Sergeant Kelly near the rear of the store. He continued to walk the rest of the store before exiting. Sergeant Fulmer then began interviews with witnesses.

Sergeant Fulmer's BWC video contains no video of the incident as it occurred.

2. Sergeant Fulmer's body worn camera (BWC) video was identifiable as 2024-09-10 17:38:41 – 400 Axon Body 4 D01A8155. This video is six minutes and twenty-four seconds (06:24) in length. There is no audio on the video for the first 30 seconds of the recording. This video is a recording of an interview with Joseph Dixon. The content of the interview can be found in Matrix Investigative Report 17 (IR-17). Please refer to IR-17 for details of this recorded interview.
3. Sergeant Fulmer's body worn camera (BWC) video was identifiable as 2024-09-10 17:45:07 – 400 Axon Body 4 D01A8155. This video is four minutes and eleven seconds (04:11) in length. There is no audio on the video for the first 30 seconds of the recording. This video is a recording of an interview with Cynthia Saunders who

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was in the store shopping. The content of the interview can be found in Matrix Investigative Report 17 (IR-17). Please refer to IR-17 for details of this recorded interview.

4. Sergeant Fulmer's body worn camera (BWC) video was identifiable as 2024-09-10 17:49:10 – 400 Axon Body 4 D01A8155. This video is six minutes and forty-four seconds (06:44) in length. There is no audio on the video for the first 30 seconds of the recording. This video is a recording of an interview with store employee Tiffany Mayer. The content of the interview can be found in Matrix Investigative Report 17 (IR-17). Please refer to IR-17 for details of this recorded interview.
5. Sergeant Fulmer's body worn camera (BWC) video was identifiable as 2024-09-10 18:26:36 – 400 Axon Body 4 D01A8155. This video is eight minutes and fifty-three seconds (05:33) in length. There is no audio on the video for the first 30 seconds of the recording. This video is a recording of an interview with Physician's Assistant Alexandria McClurg. The content of the interview can be found in Matrix Investigative Report 17 (IR-17). Please refer to IR-17 for details of this recorded interview.

Sergeant Gaitanis

1. Sergeant Gaitanis' body worn camera (BWC) video was identifiable as 2024-09-10 17:23:03 – 400 Axon Body 4 D01A82248. This video is eight minutes and fifty-three seconds (08:53) in length. There is no audio on the video for the first 30 seconds of the recording. The BWC recording starts by showing Sergeant Gaitanis in his patrol vehicle driving with his emergency equipment activated. Sergeant Gaitanis is observed speaking with involved officers and managing the scene. Sergeant Gaitanis muted his BWC during scene management.
2. Sergeant Gaitanis' body worn camera (BWC) video was identifiable as 2024-09-10 19:18:19 – 400 Axon Body 4 D01A82248. This video is one minute and seven seconds (01:07) in length. There is no audio on the video for the first 30 seconds of the recording. The BWC recording starts with showing Sergeant Gaitanis walking around his patrol vehicle at the Youngstown Police Department.

Sergeant Gaitanis' BWC video contains no video of the incident as it occurred.

Sergeant Kelly

Sergeant Kelly's body worn camera (BWC) video was identifiable as 2024-09-10 17:21:47 – 400 Axon Body 4 D01A82193. This video is six minutes (06:00) in length.

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There is no audio on the video for the first 30 seconds of the recording. The BWC recording starts by showing Sergeant Kelly as a passenger in a patrol vehicle driving with emergency equipment activated. Sergeant Kelly is observed speaking with involved officers and managing the scene.

Sergeant Kelly's BWC video contains no video of the incident as it occurred.

Sergeant Kenney

Sergeant Kenney's body worn camera (BWC) video was identifiable as 2024-09-10 17:36:18 - 400 Axon Body 4 D01A81493. This video is five minutes and thirty seconds (05:30) in length. There is no audio on the video for the first 30 seconds of the recording. The BWC recording is in the emergency room of Mercy Health, St. Elizabeth Youngstown Hospital where several members of the Mercy Health medical staff are working on Maureen Stopperich in Trauma Bay 3.

Sergeant Kenney's BWC video contains no video of the incident as it occurred.

Officer Balog

Officer Balog's body worn camera (BWC) video was identifiable as 2024-09-10 17:18:13 -400 Axon Body 4 D01A82503. This video is nine minutes and thirty seconds (09:30) in length. There is no audio on the video for the first 30 seconds of the recording. The BWC recording starts by showing Office Balog as a passenger in a patrol vehicle driving with emergency equipment activated. Once on scene, Officer Balog is observed entering the store and walking the aisles looking for "blood evidence" until he is asked to ride in the ambulance to the hospital.

Officer Balog's BWC video contains no video of the incident as it occurred.

Officer Eggleston Jr.

Officer Eggleston's body worn camera (BWC) video was identifiable as 2024-09-10 17:24:24 -400 Axon Body 4 D01A83365. This video is three minutes and nineteen seconds (03:19) in length. There is no audio on the video for the first 30 seconds of the recording. The BWC recording starts by showing Office Eggleston Jr. in his patrol vehicle driving. Once on scene Officer Balog is observed entering the store and walking the aisles looking for "blood evidence."

Officer Khan

Officer Khan's body worn camera (BWC) video was identifiable as 2024-09-10 17:21:49 -400 Axon Body 4 D01A82405. This video is five minutes and fifty-four seconds

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(05:54) in length. There is no audio on the video for the first 30 seconds of the recording. The BWC recording starts by showing Office Warren in his patrol vehicle driving with his emergency equipment activated. Officer Khan is observed entering the store and assisting with scene control.

Officer Khan's BWC video contains no video of the incident as it occurred.

Officer Warren

Officer Warren's body worn camera (BWC) video was identifiable as 2024-09-10 17:18:13 -400 Axon Body 4 D01A86685. This video is nine minutes and thirty-three seconds (09:33) in length. There is no audio on the video for the first 30 seconds of the recording. The BWC recording starts by showing Office Warren in his patrol vehicle driving with his emergency equipment activated. Once on scene Officer Warren is observed entering the store and walking the aisles until he is asked to follow the ambulance to the hospital.

Officer Warren's BWC video contains no video of the incident as it occurred.

Officer Wess

Officer Wess's body worn camera (BWC) video was identifiable as 2024-09-10 17:24:49 -400 Axon Body 4 D01A87932. This video is two minutes and fifty-five seconds (02:55) in length. There is no audio on the video for the first 30 seconds of the recording. The BWC recording starts by showing Office Wess in his patrol vehicle driving. Once on scene, he entered the building, walked around briefly and exited behind [REDACTED]

Unknown

The final video is from an unknown source with no identifiable markings. The video is one second (00:01) in length. The video begins and ends with an image of Youngstown Officers standing outside the Dollar General Store.

The body worn camera video footage was submitted and saved to a corresponding Evidence.com file as Case 2024-2727 Youngstown OIS_Linderman.

References:

REF Item C - YPD BWC_Evidence.com

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Attachments:

None

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