



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



2023-0795

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 1433 State Route 7, Brookfield Township, Ohio 44403, Trumbull County

Investigative Activity: Body-Worn Camera Videos Received
Involves: Brookfield Township Police Department (O)
Activity Date: 3/28/2023
Activity Location: Brookfield Township Police Department –
 6844 Strimbu Drive, Brookfield Township, Ohio 44403
Authoring Agent: SA Charles Moran #67

Narrative:

On March 28, 2023, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Jon Tingley (Tingley) received a USB flash drive from Brookfield Township Police Department (BTPD) Chief Daniel Faustino. SA Tingley later provided the USB flash drive to SA Chuck Moran (Moran). The USB flash drive contained body-worn camera (BWC) video files related to the incident and officer-involved shooting that occurred on March 21, 2023, in Brookfield Township.

The USB flash drive contained the following body-worn camera (BWC) video files:

- 1_20230320-23514360_1130s5_2301B400466_██████████
- 1_20230321-01075153_1130s5_2301B400466_██████████
- 1_20230321-01380359_1130s5_2301B400466_██████████
- 1_20230321-02080357_1130s5_2301B400466_██████████
- 1_20230321-01082201_1130s5_2301B400464_ELLWOOD-BELLAS
- 1_20230321-01380199_1130s5_2301B400464_ELLWOOD-BELLAS
- 1_20230321-02080206_1130s5_2301B400464_ELLWOOD-BELLAS
- 1_20230321-02380198_1130s5_2301B400464_ELLWOOD-BELLAS

SA Moran performed a cursory review of the video files and noted the following:

- 1_20230320-23514360_1130s5_2301B400466_██████████

This video file was 22 minutes and 11 seconds long (22:11). The video file was from a BWC that was attached to Brookfield Township Police Department (BTPD) Sergeant (Sgt.) ██████████ (██████████). Sgt. ██████████ spoke with Brian Adkins (Adkins), the homeowner at 1433 State Route 7, Brookfield Township, Ohio 44403.

Adkins said the subject, Fred Wild III, stole Bill Schaeffer's truck and was "wack" and was "off his medicine."

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Adkins showed Sgt. [REDACTED] where the cabins were located on his property on an overhead map.

Adkins said he has known Wild for a long time and he is ok when he is on his medicine. He said Wild likes to “run” and has multiple DUIs. Adkins said Wild showed up at his residence and was acting odd and was asking for gas.

Adkins said Wild had his dog with him. Adkins said Wild did not have any firearms, but there were crossbows in the cabin.

Adkins explained that his property was dark near the cabin. He said Wild locked the door of the cabin and there was only one door.

Adkins said he returned home from work and checked his cameras. He saw Wild drive down his driveway in the stolen truck. Adkins checked on his chickens and saw the stolen truck with the snowplow. He approached Wild and asked about the truck. Wild said he “borrowed” the truck. Adkins said Wild had “psychological problems” when he stopped taking his medications. Adkins said he bailed Wild out of jail the last time he was arrested in Niles. Wild stayed overnight and said he was not going back to jail. Adkins said several sheriff deputies came to his house and arrested Wild the next day.

Adkins said after he spoke with Wild at the cabin, he saw Wild moving the truck to the back of the property. He said told Wild that the police were waiting nearby in an effort to get him to leave his property.

Adkins told Sgt. [REDACTED] that Wild drove through his house in Niles in a truck while wearing a football helmet a few years ago.

- 1_20230321-01075153_1130s5_2301B400466_[REDACTED]

This appeared to be a similar video that was previously provided by the BTPD on March 22, 2023. It was reviewed in a BCI report titled, “2023-03-22: BTPD Videos Received.”

- 1_20230321-01380359_1130s5_2301B400466_[REDACTED]

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- 1_20230321-02080357_1130s5_2301B400466_██████████

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- 1_20230321-01082201_1130s5_2301B400464_ELLWOOD-BELLAS

This appeared to be a similar video that was previously provided by the BTPD on March 22, 2023. It was reviewed in a BCI report titled, "2023-03-22: BTPD Videos Received."

- 1_20230321-01380199_1130s5_2301B400464_ELLWOOD-BELLAS

This appeared to be a similar video that was previously provided by the BTPD on March 22, 2023. It was reviewed in a BCI report titled, "2023-03-22: BTPD Videos Received."

- 1_20230321-02080206_1130s5_2301B400464_ELLWOOD-BELLAS

This appeared to be a similar video that was previously provided by the BTPD on March 22, 2023. It was reviewed in a BCI report titled, "2023-03-22: BTPD Videos Received."

- 1_20230321-02380198_1130s5_2301B400464_ELLWOOD-BELLAS

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Reference Item:

The USB flash drive provided by the BTPD was submitted to the BCI SIU case file as Reference Item R.