

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



2024-1376 Officer Involved Critical Incident - Interstate 77 Southbound at Exit 85 , New Philadelphia, OH 44663

Investigative Activity:	Interview with Witness
Involves:	Firefighter/Paramedic Anthony Miceli (W)
Date of Activity:	05/14/2024
Activity Location:	Dover Fire Department - 116 East 3rd Street, Dover, OH 44622
Author:	SA John P. Tingley, #154

Narrative:

On Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at approximately 1340 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) John Tingley (Tingley) interviewed Dover Fire Department (DFD) Firefighter/Paramedic Anthony Miceli (Miceli). Miceli was identified as a DFD Emergency Medical Services (EMS) medic who responded to the officer-involved critical incident at Interstate 77 Southbound at the Exit 85 Off-Ramp on May 3, 2024.

This report only summarizes the information deemed by the author to be of the most relevance to the investigation and does not purport to contain all questions and answers from the interview. Further, this report was placed in a chronology to aid the reader's overall understanding of the information obtained during the interview and may not be reflective of the actual sequencing of questions, nor is it a word for word translation of either the questions or answers. It is suggested that the full recording be reviewed to clarify any content or contextual questions regarding the information from the interview.

After obtaining Firefighter Miceli's general information, SA Tingley asked Firefighter Miceli to describe his involvement in the incident.

Firefighter Miceli stated that he was the driver of the DFD EMS Unit which was dispatched to assist the Ohio State Highway Patrol (OSHP) at Exit 85 off-ramp from IR 77.

The DFD EMS Unit arrived on scene and Firefighter Miceli observed three (3) OSHP cruisers. He also observed one OSHP Trooper talking with a subject (Kendall Woodard) who was seated in a vehicle while the other two (2) Troopers stood behind a cruiser. Firefighter Miceli pulled the DFD EMS Unit in front of Woodard's vehicle and parked.

After a period of time, the DFD EMS Unit was asked to move and block the off-ramp. The DFD EMS Unit moved and blocked the off-ramp, which is where they remained for a couple of hours.

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Eventually, the DFD EMS Unit was motioned to move forward. The DFD EMS Unit moved forward and an OSHP Trooper advised them that Woodard wanted to go to the hospital.

At this point, Firefighter Miceli stopped speaking and SA Tingley asked Firefighter Miceli where the DFD EMS Unit was located when the shooting occurred. Firefighter Miceli stated that the EMS Unit was parked near the back bumper of Woodard's vehicle.

SA Tingley then asked Firefighter Miceli what happened next. Firefighter Miceli advised that Woodard cracked open the front driver's door of his vehicle. Firefighter Miceli then observed an OSHP Trooper approach the passenger side of Woodard's vehicle. That Trooper then began calling out that Woodard had a gun.

Shortly thereafter, Firefighter Miceli heard shots fired.

SA Tingley asked Firefighter Miceli if he saw Woodard fire a weapon or just the law enforcement officers. Firefighter Woodard advised that he just saw the law enforcement officers shoot as he could not see Woodard when the shots were fired.

SA Tingley then asked Firefighter Miceli what happened when Woodard was removed from his vehicle. Firefighter Miceli stated that once Woodard was secured, the DFD EMS Unit pulled forward of Woodard's vehicle.

Firefighter Miceli then observed Woodard lying face down and handcuffed. The DFD EMS personnel rolled Woodard over and put him on a heart monitor. However, there was no pulse detected and the EMS personnel determined that Woodard's injuries were incompatible with life.

The interview was then concluded at approximately1346 hours.

This interview was audio recorded and is attached to this report.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2024-1376 Interview DFD FF Miceli

References:

No references.

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