



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



2024-3294
Officer Involved Critical Incident – Portage Bike Trail near North
Freedom Street, Ravenna, Ohio 44266

Investigative Activity: Interview with Victim
Involves: Justin Harper (W)
Date of Activity: 10/22/2024
Activity Location: Ravenna Police Department – Business – 220 South Parkway Street,
Ravenna, OH 44266
Author: SA William Conn, #51

On October 22, 2024, Special Agent (S/A) William Conn along with other members of BCI responded to 930 North Freedom Street Ravenna Ohio, in regard to an Officer Involved Critical Incident. Upon arrival, S/A Conn was assigned by S/A Goudy to conduct witness interviews.

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 chronological order to aid the reader’s overall understanding of the information elicited during the interview and may not be reflective of the actual sequencing of questions.

Narrative:

Witness:

Justin Harper M/W (Ravenna Paramedic/Firefighter)

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Phone [REDACTED]

Mr. Harper (Harper), who is a Paramedic/Firefighter for the city of Ravenna, stated upon arriving at the scene, he began to unload medical equipment from the back of the squad. Harper stated at about the same time he heard gunshots coming from the wooded area to the left (northeast) of the squad. Harper stated he looked toward the woods and bushes and saw a body fall to the ground but couldn't make out who it was or if anybody else was around the

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area, because of the heavy foliage. Harper basically could only see the movement of the body. Harper couldn't tell how many shots were fired. Harper stated that after the shots were fired he continued to the scene to render medical aid.

(See attached audio statement for exact details regarding the interview).

Summary of interview concluded.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: Harper Interview

References:

None