



**Ohio Attorney General's Office
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2025-2909

Officer Involved Critical Incident - Stanhope-Kelloggsville
Rd. and Anderson Rd., Denmark Township, OH 44032,
Ashtabula County

Investigative Activity: BWC Review – ACSO [REDACTED]
Involves: Ashtabula County Sheriff's Office (O), Jerry Pegram (S),
[REDACTED]
Activity Date: 09/18/2025
Activity Location: BCI Boardman – 760 Boardman-Canfield Road, Boardman,
OH 44512
Authoring Agent: SA Joseph Lamping #184

Narrative:

On Monday, September 15, 2025, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Joe Lamping (SA Lamping) received video footage from Detective Jonelle Gerke of the Ashtabula County Sheriff's Office (ACSO). SA Lamping was informed that the videos contained footage from the body camera (BWC) footage recorded by ACSO [REDACTED]. The involved, and witness officers, provided consent for investigators to review any conversations captured on video with their supervisors. Any times referenced in this investigative report correspond to the time of day listed on the BWC, and not the playback time of the video. SA Lamping reviewed the video recordings and noted the following:

The video captured by [REDACTED] began at 14:05:15 hours on September 8, 2025. The below image is from the first captured frame of the BWC:



Snippet # 1

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[REDACTED] BWC footage covered a total of 18 minutes and 10 seconds. The first 28 seconds of video footage did not have any recorded audio. The officer involved shooting was not captured on [REDACTED] BWC. However, the subsequent actions of the on-scene deputies and trooper were captured.

The image below was captured after [REDACTED] stood up from the ground. It displayed Jerry Pegram's (Pegram) body along with the position of ACSO Deputies [REDACTED]



Snippet # 2

At approximately 14:05:47 hours, [REDACTED] put on latex gloves and produced a set of handcuffs. He then bent down and restrained Pegram's hands, pictured below:



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After securing Pegram's hands, [REDACTED] searched him, and in the process removed what appeared to be a pair of glasses from Pegram's pocket. During the search, a taser barb can be seen embedded in the vest that Pegram was wearing, pictured below with an added yellow highlight to indicate the location of the taser barb:



Snippet # 4

The below snippet was captured during a conversation between [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] pointed out an object which the deputies referred to as, "the handle," and "the butt of it," possibly referencing the grip of the revolver which was later collected on scene by BCI Crime Scene agents. The object that the deputies were discussing was not clearly visible in the video footage.



Snippet # 5

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[REDACTED] indicated that Pegram had pointed a firearm at him while discussing the location of his taser with [REDACTED] "My tasers over here somewhere. I dropped it when he pointed the gun at me" (14:06:40).

At approximately 14:06:56 [REDACTED] has a brief discussion with [REDACTED] [REDACTED] who is out of the cameras field of view. [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] that he had rendered Pegram's firearm safe, and [REDACTED] told [REDACTED] that ACSO Lieutenant (Lt.) Mathew Johns (Lt. Johns) would take photographs of the weapon.

At approximately 14:07:19 [REDACTED] recovered his taser from the ground, removed the cartridge, left the cartridge on the ground, and reholstered the taser.

At approximately 14:07:48 [REDACTED] returned to [REDACTED] position with a medical supplies:



Snippet # 6

After returning to [REDACTED] location, [REDACTED] provided [REDACTED] with a tourniquet. [REDACTED] then produced another tourniquet from his duty belt. Over the next several minutes [REDACTED] attempted to treat Pegram's injuries. The deputies removed Pegram's clothing while attempting to locate any injuries and then applied quick clot, combat gauze, and chest seals to Pegram's various injuries. One of the deputies on scene noted, "He's got no pulse" at approximately 14:10:13.

The snippet below showed Lt. Johns attempting to locate Pegram's carotid pulse at approximately 14:10:47:

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Snippet # 7

At approximately 14:13:18 [REDACTED] stated, "Uh, you guys literally, I feel like you really saved my life 'cause he was going for that gun. That taser was ineffective." [REDACTED] continued to treat Pegram's wounds through approximately 14:19:55.

After rendering aid [REDACTED] stood up and spoke with Lt. Johns, who was photographing the scene. He provided Lt. Johns some information on the location of items around the scene. As depicted in the snippet below, EMS personnel arrived at approximately 14:22:21:



Snippet # 8

Once EMS was on scene, [REDACTED] made his way out of the woods. While doing so, [REDACTED] that he lost his handcuffs. At approximately 14:23:00 an EMS member bent down and located the handcuffs, as shown in the snippet below:

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Snippet # 9

[REDACTED] exited the woods where he met with ACSO Sheriff Neimi and other members of the command staff. The below snippet showed the final frame captured by [REDACTED] BWC at 14:23:25:



Snippet # 10

ADDITIONAL FACTORS FOR EVALUATING THE VIDEO RECORDINGS

There are numerous other factors that need to be considered when reviewing and evaluating the videos and audio recordings of this incident. Those factors are:

A. Video recording devices record within the video and sound capabilities available, and they record objectively. Video recordings lack the history, perspective, and interest of the people involved. The positions, angles, obstacles, lighting, and distance from the incident are also factors that need serious consideration.

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B. Video recording devices also record more information about a particular scene or incident than the person(s) involved in the incident can process during the critical incident. Video recording devices rarely record an event from the same perspective of the officer. It captures the action but not the perception, decision making, focus, or intent of the officer. Video recordings often miss tactile cues or other actions of a subject.

C. The speed of the incident is remarkable. The speed and complexity of rapidly evolving situation(s) that occur during use of force encounters are difficult concepts to comprehend by only watching the video.

The BWC footage was stored on Axon Justice as part of Reference Item E - BWC Dash Videos where it can be reviewed in its entirety.

References:

Reference Item E - BWC and Dash Videos: Sub folder - ACSO Videos: Sub folder ACSO BWC Videos: Video - Axon Body 3 Video 2025-09-08 1405 X60AD271G; stored on Axon Justice

Attachments:

1. A collection of 10 snippets from [REDACTED] BWC

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