



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



2024-1584
Officer Involved Critical Incident, 27695 Tracy Road, Walbridge,
OH 43465, (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness
Date of Activity: 05/24/2024
Activity Location: Kunkelman, Eric D. – Home – 27660 Tracy Rd, Walbridge, OH 43465
Author: SA Jason A. Snyder, #176

Narrative:

On May 24, 2024, the Perrysburg Township Police Department (PTPD), contacted the Ohio Attorney General's Office, Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI). PTPD requested BCI to investigate an Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI) in their jurisdiction.

Due to the nature of the investigation, Special Agent (SA) Jason Snyder (Snyder) was requested to assist the Special Investigation Unit (SIU) with the OICI.

On May 24, 2024, at approximately 0700 hours, SA Snyder conducted a neighborhood canvass at the location of 27695 Tracy Road, Walbridge, OH 43465 regarding the OICI. It should be noted that this complex is a trailer park consisting of lot numbers for addresses. The following are locations that SA Snyder attempted to contact the resident.

Lot 289, SA Snyder contacted Marylin Thomas (Thomas). She stated that she did not hear or see anything the night before.

Lot 293, SA Snyder contacted Chris Purtee (Chris) by phone. SA recorded the phone call. Chris stated that he was related to Beau Purtee (Beau). Due to the relationship of Chris to Beau, SA Snyder asked Chris to meet other agents at the trailer in the near future, to complete an in-depth interview in person. Chris agreed and also, was transporting other people who were at the trailer that day for their interviews. SA Snyder thanked Chris and hung up the phone.

Lot 295, SA Snyder contacted Aaron B. Cole (Cole), Michigan driver's license number [REDACTED] Cole had a camera facing the trailer in which Beau's car was

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parked. He showed SA Snyder the three (3) videos he had from the night of the incident.

One video is of Beau's vehicle parking next to a trailer west of Cole's trailer. The second video is of unknown people in the front of the trailer near Beau's vehicle. The third video is of a truck with two (2) people parking the truck and the two (2) people running to the trailer. The videos do not have audio.

Cole stated that he did not hear anything and did not see anything the night before. SA Snyder asked Cole if he would send the videos to his e-mail for viewing later. Cole sent SA Snyder the three (3) videos through e-mail. Cole also stored the videos to his phone for possible download if needed.

Lot 296, SA Snyder contacted Laura K. Thompson (Thompson), Thompson stated that she went to bed at 2000 hours. She did not see or hear anything.

Lot 326, SA Snyder left a business card at the address. No one has contacted SA Snyder from this address

Lot 327, SA Snyder contacted Daniel Skadeland Jr. (Skadeland) by phone. Skadeland stated that he was not home during the incident. Due to his trailer being close to the area of the incident, SA Snyder asked him to look outside of his trailer for any new damage. Skadeland looked and did not find any new damage to his trailer.

Lot 328, SA Snyder contacted Vernon E. Hoot (Hoot). SA Snyder conducted a recorded interview with Hoot. Hoot advised that the night before, he heard two (2) sets of gunshots. The first set of gunshots was three (3) or four (4) rounds. The second set was a "couple of more pops". Hoot looked out his window and saw two (2) or three (3) officers near a trailer and one (1) officer behind a tree. He did not hear or see anything else during the incident.

Lot 329, SA Snyder contacted Brittany A. Caraveo. SA Snyder conducted a recorded interview with Caraveo. Caraveo explained that the night before, she heard several gunshots at 2303 hours. She initially thought someone was hitting her front door. There were two (2) different sounds the gunshots made. She estimated that there were between ten (10) to fifteen (15) gunshots during two (2) or three (3) volleys. Caraveo recorded after the shooting, a video of an officer walking on the street. Caraveo e-mailed a copy of the video to SA Snyder.

Lot 331, SA Snyder contacted James Curry (Curry). Curry stated that the night before he was not home during the incident.

Lot 332, SA Snyder contacted Daniel Page (Page). Page was home during the incident and did not hear or see anything.

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Lot 334, SA Snyder left a business card at the address. No one has contacted SA Snyder from this address.

Lot 335, SA Snyder contacted Bryant D. Philo (Philo). Philo stated that he was at work during the time of the incident.

Lot 336, no one lives at this address.

Lot 337, SA Snyder contacted Patricia Holvey (Holvey). Holvey stated that she did not hear or see anything during the incident.

Lot 338, SA Snyder contacted Dylan E. Sidle (Sidle). Sidle stated that he was at work during the time of the incident.

Lot 339 no one lives at this address.

Lot 340, SA Snyder left a business card at the address. No one has contacted SA Snyder from this address.

Lot 561, SA Snyder contacted Allecia Shope (Allecia). SA Snyder conducted a recorded interview with Allecia. Allecia advised that she was home the night before with her husband (Richard Shope) and children.

Allecia explained she was awake and heard several gunshots. She woke up her husband and she moved the children to the west side of the trailer, away from the gunshots. She could see that police officers were near her trailer.

The first set of gunshots, Allecia heard three (3) "pops". She heard additional gunshots for a second time. The amount of gunshot was "at least four (4)". Allecia could hear voices outside but could not make out what they were saying.

During the shooting, several of the gunshots sounded near the trailer and some further away. Allecia did not hear anything before the gunshots. She did see several officers in the area after the shooting.

SA Snyder also spoke to Eric Kunkelman (Kunkelman). Kunkelman lives at 27660 Tracy Rd., Walbridge, Oh. 43465. Kunkelman's home is across from where the incident occurred. Kunkelman stated that he heard the first set of gunfire and looked out his front door. He saw people with flashlights across the street.

The number of rounds fired were four (4) "low caliber" rounds during the first set of gunshots. Kunkelman then heard two (2) more shots, which were again of a low caliber. This was quickly followed with two (2) more shot which were of a high caliber.

Kunkelman, after hearing the last set of gunshots, saw that several officers were in the area. They were looking around and going back and forth from Beau and the trailer

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park area.

Kunkelman does have a camera system pointing to the area of Tracy Rd. Kunkelman e-mailed the videos to SA Snyder for his review. There are a total of seven (7) videos sent by Kunkelman.

Attachments:

- Attachment # 01: 2024-05-24, Interview of Allicia Shope
- Attachment # 02: 2024-05-24, Interview of Brittany Caraveo
- Attachment # 03: 2024-05-24, Interview of Mark Telles
- Attachment # 04: 2024-05-24, Interview of Vernon Hoot Jr.
- Attachment # 05: 2024-05-24, Phone call with Chris Purtee