



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



2023-2307

Officer Involved Critical Incident – I-75 Southbound at Mile
Marker 110

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness
Involves: Kevin Bellman (W)
Date of Activity: 09/12/2023
Activity Location: Bellman, Kevin – Business – 103 Willipie, Wapakoneta, OH 45895,
Auglaize County
Author: SA Tiffany Najmulski, #49

Narrative:

On 09/12/2023, Special Agent (SA) Tiffany Najmulski (Najmulski) went to the Wapakoneta Fire Department (WFD) located at 103 Willipie Street, Wapakoneta, Ohio, to speak with Firefighter Captain Kevin Bellman (Bellman). The purpose of the interview was to ascertain what Bellman's role was in the Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that occurred on I-75/ MM 110 on 09/03/2023. The WFD was called to assist when the subject's vehicle caught fire. The following is a summary of the interview which was digitally recorded and attached to the case file.

Bellman advised the Ohio State Patrol (OSP) told them they needed the fire department on stand by for a vehicle that had it's tires "spiked" and that would become an "incident". Initially, the fire department staged at the truck stop in Wapakoneta, then they were told to come closer onto I-75. Upon reaching this location, a Trooper informed the fire department the subject had a gun. Bellman said he heard the subject had a self-inflicted gun shot wound to the head. Bellman said later they heard that was not the case.

A short time later, the fire department was told the scene was safe and to proceed. Bellman said he went to the location to put the car fire out while firefighter paramedic, Patrick Mullen, went to the subject and rendered medical aid.

Bellman said he did not have any patient interaction. Bellman had no further information and the interview was concluded.

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 audio recording. Further, this report was placed in a chronology to aid the reader's overall understanding of the information elicited during the interview and may not be reflective of the

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actual sequencing of questions or responses. It is suggested that the full audio recording be reviewed to clarify any content or contextual questions regarding the information from the audio recording.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: Firefighter Captain Kevin Bellman

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