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Investigative Report



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Officer Involved Critical Incident – Corey Andrew (S)

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Narrative:

On Friday, August 25, 2023, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested to conduct an investigation regarding an Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that occurred at Eastview Park in Celina, Mercer County, Ohio. During the investigation, it was learned that Deputy Patrick Cupp of the Mercer County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) was present at the scene but did not discharge any firearms. Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Stranahan conducted an interview with Deputy Cupp to determine his involvement. During the interview, Deputy Cupp provided the following details.

Deputy Cupp confirmed he is assigned to the Road Patrol Division of the MCSO and was working on the date of this incident. Deputy Cupp stated he has worked for the MCSO for the past two years and has no prior Law Enforcement experience.

According to Deputy Cupp, he was on patrol in another part of Mercer County when he heard Sergeant (Sgt. Etgen) broadcast of the Sheriff's radio that he would be enroute to Celina in reference to a shots fired call. Deputy Cupp stated that the MCSO and Celina are on two separate radio channels. Deputy Cupp then began traveling toward Eastview Park in Celina.

Once he was in radio range, he began listening to the Celina PD radio channel and heard one of the officers ask for a Deputy with a shield (a tactical shield). Deputy Cupp recalled that EMS was requested to "stage" in the area due to a subject with possible gunshot wounds. As he was arriving on scene, he heard an officer broadcast that the ambulance needed to come to the scene.

Upon arrival on scene, Deputy Cupp observed a male subject laying on the ground and several officers "working on him" (providing First-Aid). As he was walking toward the scene, Officer Powell asked Deputy Cupp to go back to his cruiser and retrieve a "med kit." Deputy Cupp stated he grabbed a small medical kit (described as an I-FAK kit). Deputy Cupp stated that by the time he made it back to the scene, EMS had arrived. According to Deputy Cupp, he assisted EMS in transferring the male subject from the ground to the stretcher. Deputy Cupp observed a large spot of blood on the subject's back. Deputy Cupp also observed a large spot of blood on one of the subject's legs (he could not recall which one). Deputy Cupp stated one of the officers on scene must have applied a tourniquet on the subject's leg. Deputy Cupp stated he assisted EMS with loading the subject into the ambulance. He then assisted officers

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from the Saint Mary's Police Department in taping off the scene.

Deputy Cupp stated that while on scene, Celina PD received a call for a Domestic Disturbance. It was decided that Deputy Cupp and an officer from Coldwater would handle that call.

Deputy Cupp then departed the scene to handle that call. Deputy Cupp did not speak with any of the officers involved in this incident. Deputy Cupp was unable to provide any additional details at this time and the interview was concluded.

The interview with Deputy Cupp was digitally recorded. A copy of the recording has been placed in this case file and has also been attached to this investigative report.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: Patrick Cupp Interview 8.25.23