

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: Police Recorded Calls Review, Radio Traffic Review

Involves: Beau D Purtee (V), Perrysburg Township Police Department (O)

Date of Activity: 07/01/2024

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Narrative:

On July 1, 2024, Special Agent James Keen (SA Keen) reviewed two 911 calls made regarding the Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI) involving the Perrysburg Township Police Department (PTPD) and the deceased individual Beau Purtee (Purtee). The 911 calls were made to the Wood County 911 Dispatch.

The first call was identified as ID

"1_911_WC08_T2-4_M7" with a start time of "2024-05-23 23:20:00" and is 57 seconds in length. The audio began with the time stamp "May 23rd, 2024, 23 hours 20 minutes 0 seconds." The Dispatcher identified to the caller as Wood County 911 and asked what the emergency was. The caller identified themself as "Alicia" and stated they heard gunshots outside of their house and that there was a police presence there (this caller will be referred to as Alicia from this point forward). Alicia stated they have sleeping children in their trailer, and they were trying to figure out "what's going on, so if there's something we need to do." The Dispatcher stated the situation was handled and there was nothing more to do. Alicia stated they heard multiple gunshots and wanted to make sure they were safe. The Dispatcher advised her the situation is being handled and that they were "all good to go back to sleep."

The second call was identified as ID

"2_911_WC04_T2-2_M3" with a start time of "2024-05-23 23:24:07" and is eight (8) minutes and 23 seconds in length. The audio began with the time stamp "May 23rd, 2024, 23 hours 24 minutes 7 seconds." The Dispatcher identified herself as Wood County 911 and asked what the

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emergency was. The caller stated his name is "Scott Mendoza" (this caller will be referred to as Mendoza from this point forward). Mendoza stated that he came in from out of town for his buddy's funeral and he was at the buddy's house. While at the house and after the funeral, Mendoza stated that one of his cousins came over. Mendoza begins to identify the address as "2769...5." and then states he is technically at Wendy's (Restaurant) "because there was gunshots" and they did not feel safe. The Dispatcher asked what Mendoza was asking for and Mendoza stated he was reporting what happened. The Dispatcher advised Mendoza that the police were on scene, and it was safe.

Mendoza advised the Dispatcher that the car of the person they (the police) were shooting at was in the driveway of his buddy's, whose funeral was today. Mendoza stated that he was at the house along with the family of the person who passed away. Mendoza stated "it was his cousin Beau..Beau Purtee was.." and the dispatcher asked what the lot number was. Mendoza stated the lot number was 293 which is where the vehicle was located. Mendoza described the car as looking like a "cop car" and stated it was all blacked out with a spotlight. Mendoza stated that he just met Purtee today and stated that "He (Purtee) was heavily intoxicated." Mendoza further explained that Purtee was heavily intoxicated at the funeral which was in Oregon. Mendoza stated "He (Purtee) just kind of tagged along with the family" when explaining that everyone came to the decedent's trailer (Lot 293). Mendoza stated that Purtee came over and "Brandished a weapon" so one of the family members took Mendoza's wife to their car and drove away for safety reasons. Mendoza stated he called another relative that he believed would reason with Purtee more. As Mendoza was talking, the Dispatcher stated she wanted to transfer the call to Perrysburg Township due to it being in their jurisdiction. Mendoza was placed on hold.

A female call taker asks if she can help Mendoza. Mendoza explains that he was just talking to who he believed to be Northwood Police. Mendoza explains again that he is from out of town for a funeral and stated, "a bunch of family members came back to his trailer." Mendoza is heard talking to others apparently looking for mail to reference the address and stated that "there were gunshots over at Friendly Village." Mendoza stated he found the mail and explained that he was currently at Wendy's on Buck Road. Mendoza stated the address for the incident is "27695 Tracy Road Lot 293 Walbridge, Ohio, 43465." The call taker asked whose address that was. Mendoza said that it was the address of his friend who passed away today. Mendoza explains that Beau Purtee is a relative of the decedent and was present at the funeral. Mendoza stated that Purtee came back with the family to the decedent's trailer. Mendoza stated Purtee "apparently" brandished a weapon and a friend of Mendoza's drove Mendoza's wife out of the area.

Mendoza stated he called another relative that was closer who could talk to Purtee more than

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he could. Mendoza stated the family member picked him up and when he did, "there was gunshots" and as they went forward, Mendoza was advised by someone to not go that way because there were gunshots, and the police were shooting at someone. Mendoza stated they turned around and drove to Wendy's where his wife was to make sure she was okay. Mendoza stated that Purtee's car was in the driveway of the previously stated residence. The call taker confirmed with Mendoza that the car was at lot 293. Mendoza confirmed this and described the car as an early 2000's "cop car looking thing" and stated it was blacked out with a spotlight on it. The call taker asked the name of the person and Mendoza stated "Beau Purtee" and stated that he is the brother of whose funeral it was, "Chris Purtee". Mendoza stated he was able to "get ahold of the father as well." The call taker asked for Mendoza's call back number and "Chris" answered and gave the number to the phone. The call taker stated she would let officers know it was Lot 293. Mendoza stated his phone's battery was dead and they were using Chris' phone to call. Mendoza asked if they should wait at Wendy's for an officer or if it was safe to go back. The call taker asked them to stay there if they didn't mind and she would advise officers they were there.

NOTE: 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 911 calls. Further, this report was placed in a chronology to aid the reader's overall understanding of the information elicited during the 911 calls and may not be reflective of the actual sequencing of questions. It is suggested that the full audio recording be reviewed to clarify any content or contextual questions regarding the information from the 911 calls. The complete 911 calls are attached to the file.

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| ID | START TIME | CHANNEL DURATION | CALLER ID CAL | LING RTY A | ADDRESS | CITY | LEC | LOCATION | cos | FLAG NOTE ANNOTATIONS | FLAGGED FOR EVALUATOR | PROTECTED |
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| 0_911_WC12_T2 6_M11 | 2024-05 - 23 23:04:46 -04:00 | 911 WC12 5 T2-6 M11 | | RIZON O ELESS R | 7298 DREGON RD - N SECTOR | PERRYSBURG | VZW | (41.553881,- 83.529342) | WPH2 | | | No |
| 1_911_WC08_T2 4_M7 | 2024-05 - 23 23:20:00 -04:00 | 911 WC08 0 T2-4 M7 | T-M0 USA | OBILE G | 6600 GLENWOOD : | PERRYSBURG TOWNSHIP | ТМОВ | (41.553903,- 83.528934) | WPH2 | | | No |
| 2_911_WC04_T2 2_M3 | 2024-05 - 23 23:24:07 -04:00 | 911 WC04 7 T2-2 M3 | VER WIRE | RIZON G ELESS R | 10 GLENWOOD RD - NE EECTOR | ROSSFORD | VZW | (41.586508,- 83.558481) | WPH2 | | | No |