



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



2021-0888
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 500 South Cleveland Ave.,
Westerville, Ohio 43081 (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness
Involves: Greg Kacsandi (W)
Date of Activity: 04/15/2021
Activity Location: Kacsandi, Greg – Business – 400 West Main Street, Westerville, OH 43081, Franklin County
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Narrative:

On April 15, 2021, at approximately 0857 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Jenny Comisford (SA Comisford) interviewed Paramedic/Firefighter Greg Kacsandi (Kacsandi) of the Westerville Division of Fire (WFD). The purpose of the interview was to obtain additional information regarding an Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that occurred on April 12, 2021, at Mount Carmel St. Ann's Hospital (St. Ann's) involving Columbus police officers, hospital security, and a male identified as Miles Jackson (Jackson).

Kacsandi's interview was conducted at WFD Station 111, located at 400 West Main Street, Westerville, OH 43081. Also present for the entirety of the interview was attorney Cathrine Harshman. The conversation was audio recorded and a copy of the recording was saved electronically within the case file. Please refer to the attached audio for complete details. The following is a summation of Kacsandi's voluntary interview.

It was reported that Columbus Division of Fire (CFD) personnel transported Jackson to St. Ann's on the morning of April 12, 2021, due to a suspected overdose. Later that morning, Jackson left the hospital against medical advice (AMA). A short time later, WFD personnel transported Jackson back to St. Ann's on a suspected overdose.

Kacsandi has been employed by WFD for approximately 13 years. Kacsandi confirmed he was part of an EMS crew (WFD Medic 111) that transported Jackson to St. Ann's on the afternoon of April 12, 2021. Other members of the crew were identified as WFD Firefighter/Paramedic John Shearer ("Medic in Charge") and WFD Firefighter/Paramedic Jordan Smith. Kacsandi recalled they were dispatched to 380 Cleveland Avenue (Chase Bank complex) on report of a possible ill person.

Upon arrival, Kacsandi observed two unidentified male officers with the Westerville Police

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Department (WPD) attempting to verbally interact with Jackson. Jackson was reportedly conscious and walking around at the time. Kacsandi also observed Chase security officers on scene.

WFD personnel proceeded to speak with Jackson and check his vitals. Jackson was unable to recall where he was, demonstrated a “super sluggish” speech pattern, and had constricted pupils. During his assessment by WFD, Jackson admitted to taking Percocet. Kacsandi described Jackson’s demeanor as cooperative.

After completing their assessment, medics determined Jackson would be transported to the hospital. Due to his altered state, Kacsandi requested WPD conduct a pat down of Jackson prior to transport. Kacsandi only observed the end of the pat down conducted by a WPD officer described as “well fed” and over 5’8” tall. WPD reportedly advised that Jackson was “good.” Jackson was then loaded in the rear of the medic and transported to St. Ann’s. Kacsandi approximated that WFD was on scene for 30 minutes.

While enroute to the hospital, Jackson’s condition deteriorated and Narcan was administered, Kacsandi explained that Narcan counteracts the effects of opioids. Upon arrival at St. Ann’s, WFD transferred care of Jackson to hospital staff in room #9.

It should be noted that a subpoena will be issued to WFD for documentation pertaining to Jackson’s care on April 12, 2021.

The interview concluded at approximately 0919 hours.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01:2021-04-15 Paramedic Greg Kacsandi Interview