

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



2024-1015

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 100 Block 8th Street, N.E. New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663 Tuscarawas, County

Investigative Activity: Body Camera Review

Involves: Trooper Duvall (O)

Date of Activity: 06/04/2024

Activity Location: BCI - Richfield - 4055 Highlander Parkway, Richfield, OH 44286

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Narrative:

On Tuesday, June 4, 2024, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) John Tingley (Tingley) reviewed body worn camera video footage from Ohio State Highway Patrol (OSHP) Trooper Duvall. The video footage is related to the officer–involved critical incident which took place on March 31, 2024, in the area of 8th Street SE, Tuscarawas County, Ohio. The incident involved Matthew Flynn (Flynn)) and a member of the Tuscarawas County Sheriff's Office (TCSO) and resulted in the death of Flynn.

The listed narrative is a synopsis of the activities recorded on Trooper Duvall's body worn camera and only documents those activities which the author deems to be the most relevant. Furthermore, the narrative does not cover all of the activities, radio traffic, or conversations of Trooper Duvall and the other members of the OSHP, TCSO, New Philadelphia Police Department (NPPD) or New Philadelphia Fire Department (NPFD) personnel which were recorded. Nor is the synopsis a word–for–word translation of the conversations or comments made by Deputy Donley or other members of the OSHP, TCSO, NPPD, or NPFD. It is suggested that the full recordings be reviewed to clarify any content or contextual questions regarding the information documented in the narrative.

SA Tingley reviewed the video recordings listed as BWC2-065121 and noted the following:

The video is 0:34:21 in length and begins at 21:11:17 as Trooper Duvall was driving. Initially there was no audio.

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At approximately 21:12:46 hours, Trooper Duvall arrived on scene on Tell Avenue NE, activated the audio on his body camera, and exited his cruiser.

At approximately 21:13:10 hours, Trooper Duvall approached and entered the stolen TCSO cruiser through the front passenger door.

At approximately 21:13:28 hours, Flynn was seen lying across the center console of the stolen cruiser with his head and shoulders on the front passenger seat.

At approximately 21:13:39 hours, Flynn was removed from the stolen cruiser via the driver's door.

Trooper Duvall then moved to the driver's side of the stolen cruiser and assisted other officers with first aid for Flynn. He continued to assist until relieved by the NPFD Emergency Medical Services (EMS) personnel.

At approximately 21:15:49 hours, unknown NPFD EMS personnel advise that Flynn has no pulse.

Through the remainder of the vehicle Trooper Duvall assisted with different duties at the scene to include:

- helped tape off and secured the scene
- helped to check the area of East High St for any weapon/s that may have been discarded by Flynn while Flynn was in the stolen cruiser
- moved and positioned his cruiser to block East High Street
- began to follow the path that Flynn traveled in the stolen cruiser to check for evidence and/or weapons.

The video then concludes with Trooper Duvall walking on Tell Street NE.

Trooper Duvall's body camera video is attached as Reference Item B to the case file.

References:

REF ITEM B - USB Thumbdrive

Attachments:

No attachments.

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