



Ohio Attorney General's Office
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Investigative Report



2025-2909
Officer Involved Critical Incident - Stanhope-Kelloggsville
Rd. and Anderson Rd., Denmark Township, OH 44032,
Ashtabula County

Investigative Activity: Body Worn Camera Review
Involves: Ashtabula County Sheriff's Office (O), Dep. Michael
Chicarell (S), and Jerry Pegram (S)
Activity Date: 09/18/2025
Activity Location: BCI - Richfield
Authoring Agent: SA Daniel P. Boerner #135

Narrative:

On Thursday, September 18, 2025, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Dan Boerner (SA Boerner) assisted Special Agent Joe Lamping (SA Lamping) with reviewing the Body Worn Camera (BWC) recording of Ashtabula County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) Deputy Michael Chicarell (Dep. Chicarell) in regard to an officer-involved critical incident that took place on Monday, September 8, 2025, in Denmark Township, Ohio. The BWC recording was uploaded to Axon Justice on Monday, September 8, 2025, by Dep. Chicarell and subsequently shared with BCI (Reference Item E - BWC and Dash Videos, Sub folder ACSO Videos, Sub folder ACSO BWC Videos).

ID	Title	Created On	Uploaded by	Uploaded Date	File Type	Size	Duration
25-15208	Axon Body 3 Video 2025-09-08 1343 X60AD713C	08 Sep 2025 14:43:09	Chicarell, Michael (423)	08 Sep 2025 19:28:47	video	1.2 GB	40m 52s

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SA Boerner reviewed the video recording in its entirety and noted the following:

- At approximately 13:42:39hrs, the recording begins. There is no audio for the first thirty (30) seconds of the recording. Between 13:42:39hrs and 14:04:04hrs, the BWC records the pursuit, involving Jerry Pegram (Pegram), from the perspective of Dep. Chicarell's chest. Only the interior of the patrol vehicle was observed (*Figure 1, Dep. Chicarell Snippet1*).



Figure 1, Dep. Chicarell Snippet1

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- At approximately 14:04:07hrs, Dep. Chicarell exited his patrol vehicle. Pegram's motorcycle is off of the side of the road in a ditch. Pegram was not observed with the motorcycle (*Figure 2, Dep. Chicarell Snippet2*).

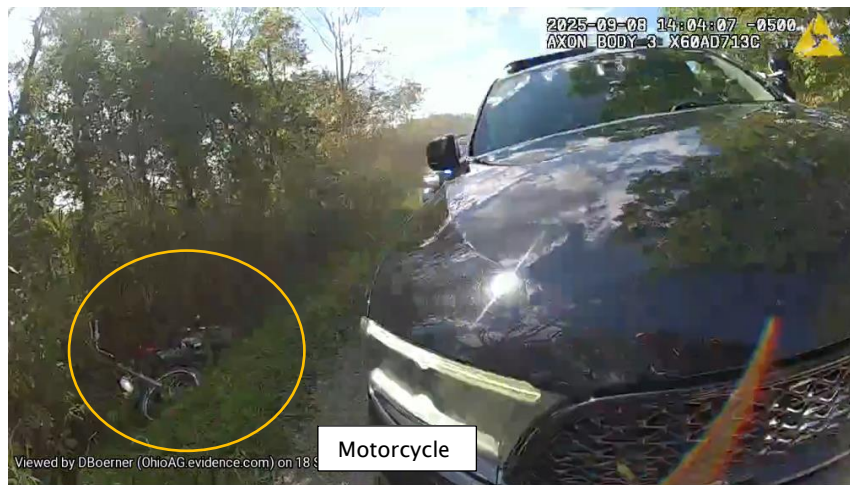


Figure 2, Dep. Chicarell Snippet2

- At approximately 14:04:20hrs, Dep. Chicarell unholsters his duty weapon. A deputy is observed bent over Pegram (*Figure 3, Dep. Chicarell Snippet3*).

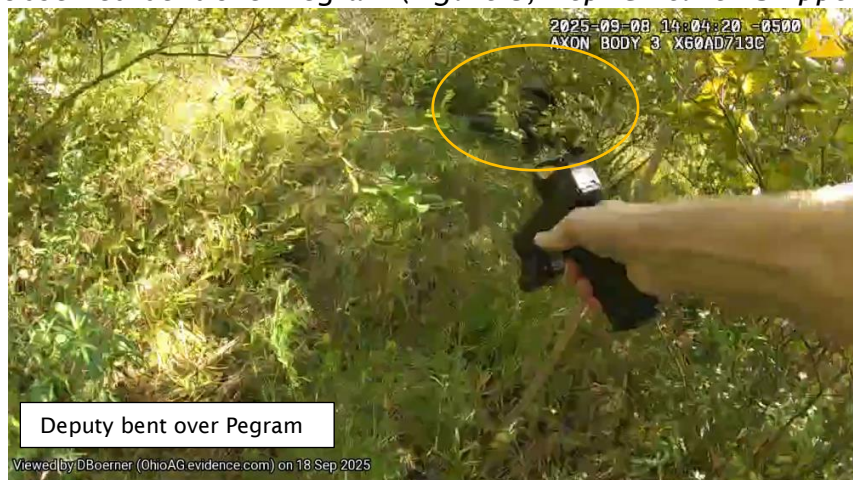


Figure 3, Dep. Chicarell Snippet3

- At approximately 14:04:25hrs, the recording captures [REDACTED] deployed on Pegram. The recording also captured an individual saying "taser, taser,"

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taser". An audible sound consistent with that of a taser being deployed was heard.

- At approximately 14:04:31hrs, the recording captures individuals saying, "roll over, roll over" and "gun, gun, gun". The commands "do not do it, do not do it" were also captured. Pegram was not visible at this time.
- At approximately 14:04:39hrs, Pegram was observed lying on his back, with his right leg up and bent. Pegram's hands are near his chest. (*Figures 4-5, Dep. Chicarell Snippet4-5*).



Figure 4, Dep. Chicarell Snippet4



Figure 5, Dep. Chicarell Snippet5 (zoomed in)

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- At approximately 14:04:40hrs, multiple successive gunshots are recorded. The shooting lasts until approximately 14:04:44hrs (*Figures 6-7, Dep. Chicarell Snippet6-7*).



Figure 6, Dep. Chicarell Snippet6



Figure 7, Dep. Chicarell Snippet7

- At approximately 14:04:45hrs, Dep. Chicarell radioed “shots fired, shots fired” and dispatch acknowledged the radio traffic.
- At approximately 14:04:17hrs, the recording captured the following statements “he started pulling the trigger” and “yeah, yeah, yeah, I saw him”.

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- At approximately 14:05:32hrs, [REDACTED] was observed dragging a black bag away from the initial scene. The bag was later collected by members of the crime scene unit.
- At approximately 14:05:51hrs, Dep. Chicarell requested medics.
- At approximately 14:06:05hrs, Pegram was handcuffed.
- At approximately 14:06:34hrs, Dep. Chicarell retrieved a med-kit from his patrol vehicle.
- At approximately 14:07:20hrs, Dep. Chicarell requested the fire department, due to the motorcycle being on fire.
- At approximately 14:08:47hrs, first aid began.
- At approximately 14:08:51hrs, the recording captured a deputy stating, "He tried to get his finger on the trigger".
- At approximately 14:10:31hrs, the recording captured a deputy stating "I'm good. I'm just processing the gun on my face". This was in response to another deputy asking everyone if they were "good".
- The recording continued for approximately thirteen (13) more minutes. No additional information relevant to the investigation was observed.

The snippets (Dep. Chicarell Snippets1-7) were uploaded to Matrix and attached to this report.

References:

Reference Item E – BWC and Dash Videos, Sub folder ACSO Videos, Sub folder ACSO BWC Videos stored in Axon Justice

Attachments:

1. Dep. Chicarell Snippet1
2. Dep. Chicarell Snippet2
3. Dep. Chicarell Snippet3
4. Dep. Chicarell Snippet4
5. Dep. Chicarell Snippet5
6. Dep. Chicarell Snippet6
7. Dep. Chicarell Snippet7

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