



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



2024-1837
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 223 Durling Dr., Wadsworth,
Ohio 44281

Investigative Activity: Neighborhood Canvass
Involves: Shannon Sterling Sloan (S)
Date of Activity: 06/26/2024
Author: SA John P. Tingley, #154

Narrative:

On Wednesday, June 26, 2024, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) John Tingley (Tingley) and SA Jesse Bynum (Bynum) conducted a neighborhood canvass in the area of 233 Durling Drive, Wadsworth, Medina County, Ohio. The purpose of the canvass was to identify and interview potential witnesses to the Officer-Involved Critical Incident that occurred on June 18, 2024, at the aforementioned location.

The following is a synopsis of the interviews and questions answered during the neighborhood canvass and is not a word for word translation of the interviews or the answers given.

During the canvass, SA Tingley made or attempted contact with the residents at the following addresses:

213 Durling Drive

On July 1, 2024 at approximately 1618 hours, BCI Special Agents Tingley and Bynum contacted and interviewed Sonia O'Dell at her residence. Sonia O'Dell advised that she and her husband were watching television when the doorbell rang. She went to the door and the neighbor, Stacy Sloan, was standing there. Stacy Sloan was on the phone with a 911 Dispatcher. Stacy Sloan was telling the Dispatcher that her husband, Shannon Sloan, was threatening to kill himself and had a gun which he pointed at his chest before he went into the backyard of their residence at 223 Durling Drive. Sonia O'Dell sent her husband, Timothy O'Dell, outside and told him to contact Shannon Sloan. Timothy O'Dell returned a short time later without having contact Shannon Sloan. Sonia O'Dell then sent Timothy O'Dell back out and a few minutes later she saw that Timothy O'Dell had contacted and was speaking with Shannon Sloan. Sonia O'Dell then saw WPD officers arriving. One of the WPD officers told Sonia O'Dell and Stacy Sloan to get into the O'Dell residence and they complied. A short time later, Sonia O'Dell went to check on Timothy O'Dell. Sonia O'Dell contacted Timothy O'Dell at the back door to their residence as he was walking in. Sonia O'Dell turned around to go back into

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the residence. However, once she had turned, she heard four (4) gunshots. She then went into the house

SA Bynum asked Sonia O'Dell if she saw Shannon Sloan's gun. Sonia O'Dell replied that she did not. The interview was then concluded.

On July 1, 2024 at approximately 1623 hours, BCI Special Agents Tingley and Bynum contacted and interviewed Timothy O'Dell at his residence. Timothy O'Dell advised that he heard the front doorbell ringing and his wife, Sonia O'Dell, went to the door. Shortly thereafter, Sonia O'Dell told him to go look for Shannon Sloan, the next-door neighbor. Timothy O'Dell went to his back yard but did not see Shannon Sloan. He returned to his residence and was again instructed to go and located Shannon Sloan. Timothy O'Dell returned to his back yard and located Shannon Sloan in Sloan's back yard at 223 Durling Drive. Shannon Sloan was seen to have a lawn chair, a beer, and a firearm. Shannon Sloan then set the lawn chair down and sat down in the chair. Shannon Sloan then asked Timothy O'Dell if the cops were there at his house. Timothy O'Dell said no but almost immediately he noticed a WPD officer running across the yard in front of Shannon Sloan's residence. Shannon Sloan also saw the WPD officer at this time. Timothy O'Dell advised that he noticed that the first thing that Shannon Sloan did when he saw the WPD officer was to grab his gun out of his shoulder holster and either place the gun on his lap or place the gun beside him in his chair. Another WPD officer then obtained Timothy O'Dell's attention and motioned for him to return to his residence. As Timothy O'Dell is returning to his residence, he observed another WPD officer with a rifle moving along the north side of Shannon Sloan's residence, towards the back yard of the Sloan residence. Timothy O'Dell went to his residence and prepared to enter through the rear door. As he is entering his residence, Timothy O'Dell heard an officer tell Shannon Sloan to drop his weapon. Almost immediately, Timothy O'Dell heard four (4) gunshots. Timothy O'Dell turned around and saw Shannon Sloan drop to the ground. Timothy O'Dell then saw WPD officers approach Shannon Sloan and hears one (1) of the WPD officers get on his radio and request an ambulance. Timothy O'Dell then stated that he did not witness the actual Officer-Involved Critical Incident.

SA Bynum asked Timothy O'Dell where he was standing when he was talking with Shannon Sloan. Timothy O'Dell replied that he was about fifteen (15) yards from Shannon Sloan and was standing on a place near the fence that separates his property from the Sloan property and was about even with the rear of the Sloan's residence.

SA Bynum asked Timothy O'Dell where Shannon Sloan's holster was. Timothy O'Dell said that Shannon Sloan was wearing a shoulder holster with the gun on the left side and spare magazines on the right side.

SA Tingley asked Timothy O'Dell what the lighting conditions were during the incident. Timothy O'Dell stated that it was still light outside. The interview then concluded.

This interview was audio recorded.

205 Durling Drive

On June 26, 2024 at approximately 1424 hours, SA Tingley and SA Bynum contacted and

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interviewed Louis Hunyadi. Louis Hunyadi advised that he was watching a sporting event on television and did not have his hearing aid in. Louis Hunyadi stated that he heard some "pounding" and shortly thereafter his wife, Lisa Hunyadi stated that something had occurred at a nearby residence. Louis Hunyadi continued by advising that he did not see anything related to the Officer-Involved Critical Incident and when he did look out, he observed law enforcement officers providing medical attention to an unknown subject on the ground.

SA Tingley asked Louis Hunyadi if he heard law enforcement giving any commands. Louis Hunyadi replied that he did not.

SA Tingley then asked Louis Hunyadi how many shots he heard. Louis Hunyadi stated that he heard five (5) shots.

SA Tingley then asked Louis Hunyadi if his wife would be willing to speak with SA Tingley. Louis Hunyadi replied that his wife Lisa did not want to speak with SA Tingley.

This interview was audio recorded.

203 Durling Drive

On June 26, 2024 at approximately 1416 hours, SA Tingley and SA Bynum contacted and interviewed Tanya Iida. Tanya Iida advised that she was watching television and speaking on the phone with her mother and sister up until about 1000 hours. Tanya Iida stated that she did not hear or see anything regarding the Officer-Involved Critical Incident and did not learn of the incident until the morning after the incident occurred.

This interview was audio recorded.

Attachments:

- Attachment # 01: 2024-1837 INTERVIEW WITNESS TIMOTHY O'DELL
- Attachment # 02: 2024-1837 INTERVIEW WITNESS SONIA O'DELL
- Attachment # 03: 2024-1837 WITNESS HUNYADI INTERVIEW
- Attachment # 04: 2024-1837 WITNESS IIDA INTERVIEW

References:

No references.

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