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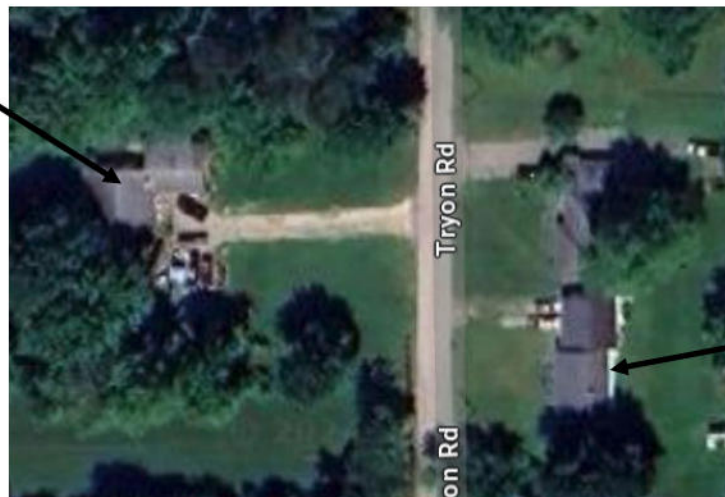
Officer Involved Critical Incident - 2212 Tryon Rd.,
Ashtabula, Ohio 44004

Investigative Activity: Interview with Dwayne Turnquist
Involves: Dwayne Turnquist (W)
Activity Date: 06/01/2024
Activity Location: 2125 Tryon Road, Ashtabula, Ohio, 44004
Authoring Agent: SA Cory Momchilov #64

Narrative:

On June 1, 2024, as Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Cory Momchilov (Momchilov) was on the scene of this incident, he was advised that an individual living at 2125 Tryon Road, Dwayne Turnquist (Dwayne), may have witnessed the incident. SA Momchilov was further advised that the individual may have also captured portions of the incident with his cellular phone. SA Momchilov was also informed that the individual was upset that his cellular phone was confiscated as evidence and may not cooperate with investigators.

2125 Tryon Road-
Turnquist Residence



2210 Tryon Road-John
Perry's Residence

SA Momchilov and SA Andrew Harasimchuk (Harasimchuk) walked over to 2125 Tryon Road and made contact with Dwayne. SA Momchilov introduced himself to Dwayne and advised that Ohio BCI was investigating the incident. Dwayne replied, "Anyway you guys can investigate why they confiscated my phone last night?" SA Momchilov replied, "We can get to all that, if you're willing to talk to us."

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Dwayne agreed and advised that he was the one who called "them" (Sheriff's Office) last night and "watched every minute of it." Dwayne stated at one point during the incident, he was forced to go inside of his residence. Dwayne left his phone, propped up on a car, recording. Dwayne advised that his phone quit recording hours before the incident (shooting) occurred. After the incident, a sheriff's deputy took his phone and advised him that it was evidence. Dwayne asked why he couldn't just provide the video and get his phone back.

SA Momchilov asked Dwayne "if we could start from the beginning." SA Momchilov asked if he knew the individual's name, who was involved in the incident. Dwayne replied, "John Perry" (Perry). SA Momchilov asked Dwayne if he had interactions with the individual before. Dwayne replied, "Nothing like this, no, he's been a neighbor 20 years." Dwayne described Perry as a "loner" who didn't really come outside or go anywhere. Dwayne advised that Perry's nephew, Nathan, would come over and cut his grass. Dwayne stated that Perry use to own his own business and is in his 60s.

Dwayne stated, "We never had a problem with him, now, I'd say a few weeks ago, my wife, Shanon Turnquist (Shanon) just said, "I don't know what's up with him, I was outside, he was getting his mail and when he got his mail, I think he like slammed the mailbox and he just, you know, just motherfucking nature I guess, you know, just loud."

Dwayne stated yesterday, he received a call from Shanon while he was at work. Dwayne advised that Shanon had told him that she was outside with the dog and Perry had "pointed a gun." Dwayne told Shanon that he was on his way home. Dwayne advised that he assumed that Shanon then called the police. A short time later, before Dwayne arrived home, he received another call from his Shanon. Shanon asked Dwayne if she should call the police. Dwayne Shanon that he would call the police.

Dwayne then called 911 as he was driving. Dwayne advised that when he arrived near his home, he observed Perry on his porch and "he had that thing up, he was pointing like, south off his porch." Dwayne stated he then pulled into his driveway and got out of his car. Dwayne stated at that point, "He was focused in on me with that gun." SA Momchilov stated, "So he's actually pointing it at you." Dwayne replied, "All day long, yeah."

Dwayne stated, "She (Shanon) took a video of it and if I had my phone, I could show you that too." Agents were later able to obtain that video footage. (See Investigative Report titled, "Cellular Phone Video Footage from Dwayne and Shanon Turnquist" for further detail). It was later determined that Shanon took the video, prior to Dwayne arriving home.

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Still images from that cellular phone video footage are documented below (Figure 1-4).



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3



Figure 4

Dwayne continued, "But I got out of the car and he had it pointed on me for a minute. I guess I didn't know what to think in that moment. I really don't think he would do anything, to be honest, he's my neighbor, you know, but he probably held it on me for a few minutes and then he went into his house."

Dwayne advised that a deputy then arrived on scene and spoke with him. Dwayne explained to the deputy "what was going on." Dwayne stated the deputy asked if Perry had any family. Dwayne told the deputy that Perry has a nephew named Nathan who cuts his grass. Dwayne stated the deputy was able to get ahold of Nathan via phone. Dwayne explained that he was able to overhear the conversation between the deputy and Nathan and Nathan was asked if Perry suffered from any type of mental illness. According to Dwayne, Nathan did state that Perry has a history of mental illness.

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Dwayne also stated he believed that Nathan said that Perry was schizophrenic and has been off his medicine for a while.

Nathan then responded to the scene. Once on scene, Dwayne stated the deputies asked Nathan if he felt comfortable trying to make contact with Perry and speak with him.

Dwayne stated that Nathan went over to Perry's residence and knocked on the front door. Dwayne advised that Nathan spent approximately 10 minutes speaking with Perry through the door. Dwayne stated, "Nathan kind of walked away from the door weird, like he knew it was time to get out of there. The two deputies were on the side of the house by then. He walked over and when he was almost to them, his uncle came out and he pointed that gun and he was like 'get the fuck off my property' you know."

SA Momchilov replied, "He's pointing it to Nathan?" Dwayne replied, "Nathan and the two deputies." Dwayne continued, "They ducked back behind the side of the garage right there, they're actually lucky he didn't do anything at the moment because he had the drop at those two deputies, they weren't expecting that." Dwayne stated that Perry then went back into his house. Dwayne was able to capture a portion of Nathan's interaction with Perry, prior to Perry coming out of his residence (Figure 5). (See Investigative Report titled, "Cellular Phone Video Footage from Dwayne and Shanon Turnquist" for further detail).



Figure 5

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Agents were able to identify Nathan as Nathan Lukkarila (Lukkarila). Lukkarila was later interviewed by investigators. (See Investigative report titled, "Interview with Nathan Lukkarila" for further detail.

Dwayne stated that, "I'll be honest, he didn't give them no choice last night. It was sad."

Dwayne stated he observed the shooting from the window of his residence. Dwayne stated that Perry stuck the barrel of the shotgun through the window when officers fired. SA Momchilov asked Dwayne if Perry fired at officers first. Dwayne stated he believed that Perry had fired earlier in the night at officers as officers were firing tear gas.

Dwayne stated, "But when they did open fire on him, I seen it. Because they just busted the window out. He must of came back in there and did it and I saw the barrel of that shotgun come out through the blinds." Dwayne advised he did not see Perry fire at that point, but the barrel of that shotgun was "definitely" outside the window.

Agent later discovered that Shanon recorded the shooting with her cellular phone. Below are still images from that video, moments prior to the shooting that Dwayne references during his interview (Figure 6 and 7).

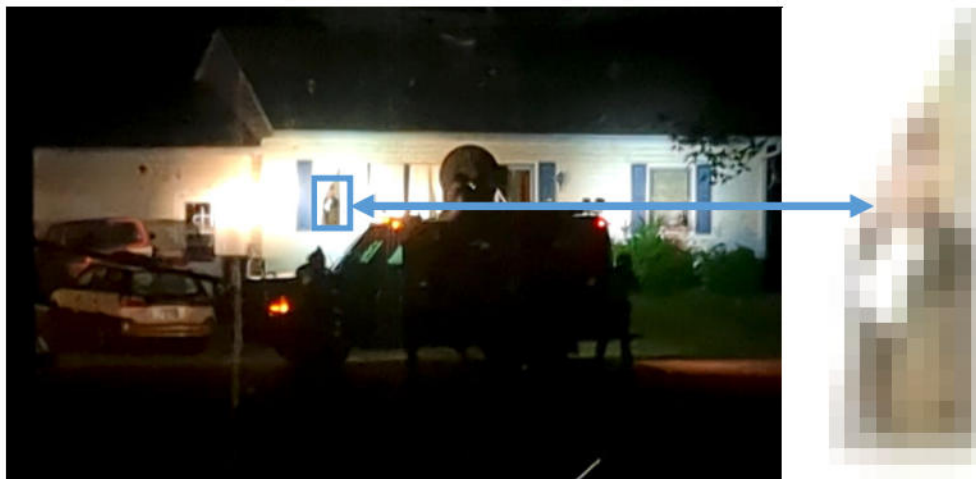


Figure 6

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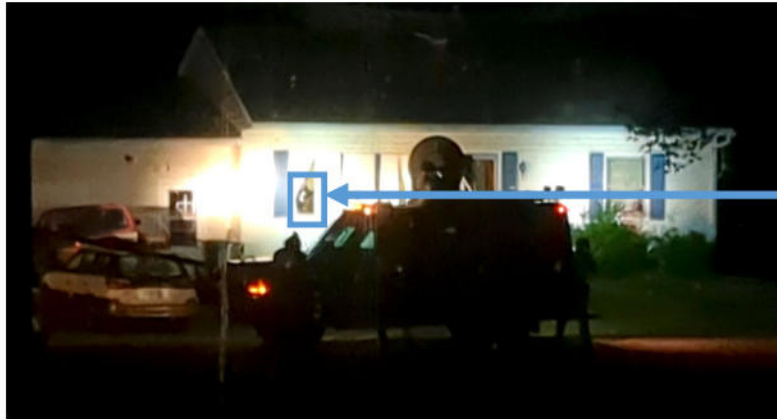


Figure 7

The interview with Dwayne was recorded via audio. The audio recording is attached to this investigative report.

References:

None

Attachments:

1. Audio interview of Dwayne Turnquist

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