



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



2022-2876

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 256 N. Swain, LaRue, Ohio (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness

Date of Activity: 12/21/2022

Author: SA Ryan Emahiser, #36

Narrative:

On December 21, 2022, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Ryan Emahiser interviewed Delaware County Tactical Unit (DTU) member Robin "Rob" Valentine (Valentine) in regard to the officer-involved shooting that occurred in Marion County on December 20, 2022. The interview was digitally recorded and the recording has been uploaded to this case file.

Valentine advised that he is a Delaware police officer and a member of the DTU, and advised that the DTU was called to assist the Marion County Sheriff's Office with a high-risk search warrant on December 20, 2022. Valentine advised that he was assigned to drive the MaxPro armored vehicle, and was to contain the west side of the target location. Valentine said that as they pulled in to execute the search warrant, behind the Marion County vehicles, he could see a subject exiting the barn area shining a flash light at the law enforcement vehicles pulling onto the property. Valentine stated that he then saw the subject begin to walk backwards, with the flashlight, westbound toward the railroad tracks. Valentine advised that he used the remote spotlight on the top of the MaxPro to track the subject, while the Marion County team advanced towards the subject with ballistic shields. Valentine said that as he had the spotlight on the subject, he was able to see a handgun holstered near the subject's right side hip, and the subject continued to move westward, until the point that he lost view of the subject and the Marion County team.

Valentine said that he never observed or heard any shots fired, and noted that the MaxPro is very loud and armored, which prevents hearing any outside noises. Valentine did not have any other information regarding the incident, and advised that he would contact SA Emahiser should he have anything to add.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: Rob Valentine 12.21.2022

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