



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



2022-1480
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 5945 SR 48, Clearcreek
Township, OH (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Officer
Involves: Mark E. Evers (S)
Date of Activity: 07/25/2022
Activity Location: Clearcreek Twp. Police Department – Business – 7593 Bunnell Hill
Road, Springboro, OH 45066
Author: SA Steven Seitzman

Narrative:

On July 25, 2022, at 1002 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents Steven Seitzman (SA Seitzman) and Richard Ward (SA Ward) conducted an interview with Springboro Police Officer Todd Wilson (Officer Wilson) regarding his involvement in the Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that took place on July 12, 2022, in Clearcreek Township. Officer Wilson was identified as an officer who responded to the scene of the OICI to provide mutual aid. The interview took place at the Clearcreek Township Police Department. The interview was recorded on a handheld digital recording device.

The details below summarize the pertinent portions of the recorded interview and are not a verbatim account. Further, this report was placed in a chronology to aid the reader's overall understanding of the information elicited during the interview and may not be reflective of the actual sequencing of questions. It is suggested that the full audio recording be reviewed to clarify the content of the interview.

Officer Wilson advised BCI agents that he has been employed by the Springboro Police Department (Springboro PD) for approximately three years. Prior to becoming a police officer for the city of Springboro, he was a military police officer in the United States Marine Corps.

Regarding his involvement in the OICI, Officer Wilson provided the following information:

Officer Wilson said that Springboro PD and the Clearcreek Township Police Department are on the same radio channel. During his shift on July 12, 2022, he recalled hearing "shots fired" over the radio. He recognized the voice as Clearcreek Township Police Sergeant Nicole Cordero (Sgt. Cordero). He responded to the incident location and estimated that it took him five to six minutes.

Officer Wilson arrived behind Warren County Sheriff's Deputy Noah Billmaier. He parked on

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the driveway near the barn area. He went to the scene and observed officers, including Sgt. Cordero, rendering medical aid to Clearcreek Township Police Officer Eric Ney (Officer Ney). He also observed the "suspect's body on the ground." Initially, he did not see a gun near the suspect, later identified as Mark E. Evers (Evers).

Officer Wilson first went to help the officers treating Officer Ney. Realizing that he was not able to help much, he removed Sgt. Cordero from the scene and walked her to a Clearcreek Township police cruiser. She was holding a handgun, which was later identified as Officer Ney's. He advised Sgt. Cordero to secure the gun, which she did by placing it on a seat in the police cruiser. He did not ask Sgt. Cordero what happened. He remembered her making a phone call.

Officer Wilson went back to the inner perimeter. He remembered multiple law enforcement officers from other agencies arriving. He said Springboro Police Sgt. Eric Kuhlman became the incident commander. He cleared one of the barns for scene safety. He next remembered Officer Ney being loaded onto a cot and being taken away from the area. He said that was the last time he saw Officer Ney. He then placed crime scene tape around the scene.

Officer Wilson was instructed by Sgt. Kuhlman to handcuff Evers. He handcuffed Evers with his arms in front of him. He remained with Evers until he was later personally relieved by Sgt. Kuhlman. He recalled Clearcreek Township Fire District Paramedic Nate Baldrige pronouncing Evers as deceased. At some point, Sgt. Kuhlman removed a gun that was near Evers; however, Officer Wilson was uncertain when that occurred.

SA Ward asked Officer Wilson if anyone told him what happened to Evers or Officer Ney, to which he answered in the negative.

The interview was completed at 1014 hours. The audio recording is attached below.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2022-07-25/ Springboro Police Officer Todd Wilson Interview

Exhibit 1

Included as a separate file.