



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



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Officer Involved Critical Incident – 5760 US 62, Hillsboro, OH,  
Highland County (L)

**Investigative Activity:** Body Camera Review  
**Involves:** Richard Jean Poulin (S)  
**Date of Activity:** 07/20/2022  
**Activity Location:** Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation – 1560 SR-56 SW, London, OH 43140, Madison County  
**Author:** SA Steven Seitzman

**Narrative:**

On July 17, 2022, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested by Highland County Sheriff Donald Barrera to investigate an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that occurred on US 62 near the Hillsboro Church of God (5760 US 62, Hillsboro, Ohio). The OICI entailed Highland County Sheriff's Office Sergeant [REDACTED] firing a single, fatal shot at Richard Jean Poulin (Poulin) at the end of a vehicle pursuit.

On July 20, 2022, BCI Special Agent Steven Seitzman (SA Seitzman) received an Axon link via email from Ohio State Highway Patrol Lieutenant Charles O'Bryon. The Axon link contained body-worn camera footage of Ohio State Highway Patrol Trooper Kyle Asbury's (Trooper Asbury) arrival and involvement after the OICI occurrence.

SA Seitzman documented the portions of the body-worn camera footage he believed to be the most relevant. SA Seitzman documented what he believed each subject said. The reader is encouraged to review the video in its entirety. During the course of the investigation, SA Seitzman identified and interviewed several law enforcement officers. SA Seitzman utilized their names in this report for clarity purposes. This does not suggest they were specifically identified during the video review.

SA Seitzman reviewed the footage and noted the following:

- Trooper Asbury arrived at 0114 hours.
- Trooper Asbury approached Deputy Alexander and Deputy Quenneville at 0116 hours. He asked if ODOT was needed, to which Deputy Alexander answered in the affirmative. Deputy Alexander said ODOT would be needed at "Concord" and "Dunlap."
  - Trooper Asbury asked Deputy Alexander and Deputy Quenneville if they were "all right," to which Deputy Alexander answered that they were all right.

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- At 0117 hours, Trooper Asbury contacted his dispatch and requested ODOT.
- At 0127 hours, Highland County Coroner's Office Investigator James McKown, DDS, arrived and spoke with Trooper Asbury. Trooper Asbury advised him the deceased was in the ambulance.
- At 0128 hours, Trooper Asbury asked Deputy Quenneville if the "truck just became disabled? Is that what ended the pursuit?"
  - Deputy Quenneville answered, "pretty much."
  - Trooper Asbury asked if Hillsboro PD started the pursuit, to which Deputy Quenneville replied that he was in the office and was not sure how it started. He then said it had to have been HCSO because it started outside of the Hillsboro city limits.
  - Trooper Asbury asked how many people fired. Deputy Quenneville replied, "Umm...just I just believe one."
- At 0134 hours, Trooper Asbury asked one of the paramedics if the subject was alive when they arrived. The medic answered, "That depends on your definition." The medic went on to state that he was doing agonal respirations. He then said, "He needed a surgeon the second he was shot." He told Trooper Asbury that the subject was put in the back of the ambulance and was pulseless but had "some sort of electrical activity." He said that he called the hospital and "they cleared it."
- At 0135 hours, Sheriff Donald Barrera arrived.
- At 0136 hours, Deputy McKenzie showed Detective Sergeant Vincent Antinore around the scene.
- At 0137 hours, the paramedic told Trooper Asbury that when he arrived, the subject "wasn't even gurgling really."
- At 0139 hours, Trooper Asbury shined his flashlight at the driver's window of Poulin's vehicle and then shined it on the ground, illuminating a pool of blood. He told the paramedic, "I'm not sure of the circumstances of that" while talking about the events that transpired.
  - Trooper Asbury said aloud, "I wonder where the casing is at?" He then said, "There it is," presumably pointing to the rumble strip on the left fog line directly behind the ambulance.
  - Highland County Coroner's Office Investigator James McKown, DDS, exited the ambulance. He said, "Single gunshot wound. Left side, posterior to the midpoint of the sternothyroid mastoid muscle."
- At 0140 hours, Detective Sergeant Vincent Antinore pointed to the windshield on Poulin's truck near the driver's side. He then went to the front passenger door and removed something from between the dash and windshield. [Agent's note: SA Seitzman learned that the object removed was Poulin's wallet].
- At 0142 hours, Deputy Steven Alexander thanked Trooper Asbury for his assistance and escorted him out of the crime scene.

The video was placed on a thumb drive to be added to the permanent case file. It is referenced below.

## References:

USB Thumbdrive

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