



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



2024-2096

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 555 Independence Dr.,
Medina, Ohio 44256

Investigative Activity: Witness Interview

Involves: Medina County Director of Administrative Services and Programming, Rebecca Byrne (W)

Activity Date: 07/17/2024

Activity Location: Medina County Sheriff's Office - 555 Independence Drive, Medina, Ohio 44256

Authoring Agent: Special Agent Joseph Goudy #83

Narrative:

On Wednesday, July 17, 2024, at 2026 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Joseph Goudy (Goudy) met with the Medina County Director of Administrative Services and Programming, Rebecca Byrne (Byrne). This interview was in reference to an officer involved critical incident that occurred in front of the Medina County Sheriff's Office. Director Byrne witnessed the beginning of the incident from within her office which was located at the front of the building overseeing the front walkway.

Director Byrne pointed out that her office windows are at the front of the building. Byrne stated that while she was sitting at her desk inside her office working, she noticed Deputy Doug Clineage (Clineage) giving commands with his taser. Byrne stated she did not recall if he had the taser out of his holster or if he had his hand on it while it was holstered. Byrne also noticed a female outside with a gun in her left hand, which was pointed down. Byrne went on to describe the gun as to being a "long gun" and that, "it was big, it wasn't a small gun." At this point, Byrne stated she ran out of her office to notify other deputies of what was going on. Shortly after, when Byrne saw Sheriff Terry Grice (Grice), he told her to advise dispatch, "Shots were fired, and we needed a squad." Immediately thereafter, Director Byrne notified dispatch.

For further details, please refer to reference item D, the audio recorded interview conducted with Director Rebecca Byrne. Also, attached are the 3 photos taken from Director Byrnes office window to show her point of view.

References:

1. Reference Item D - Audio Interview - Medina County Director of Administrative Services and Programming.

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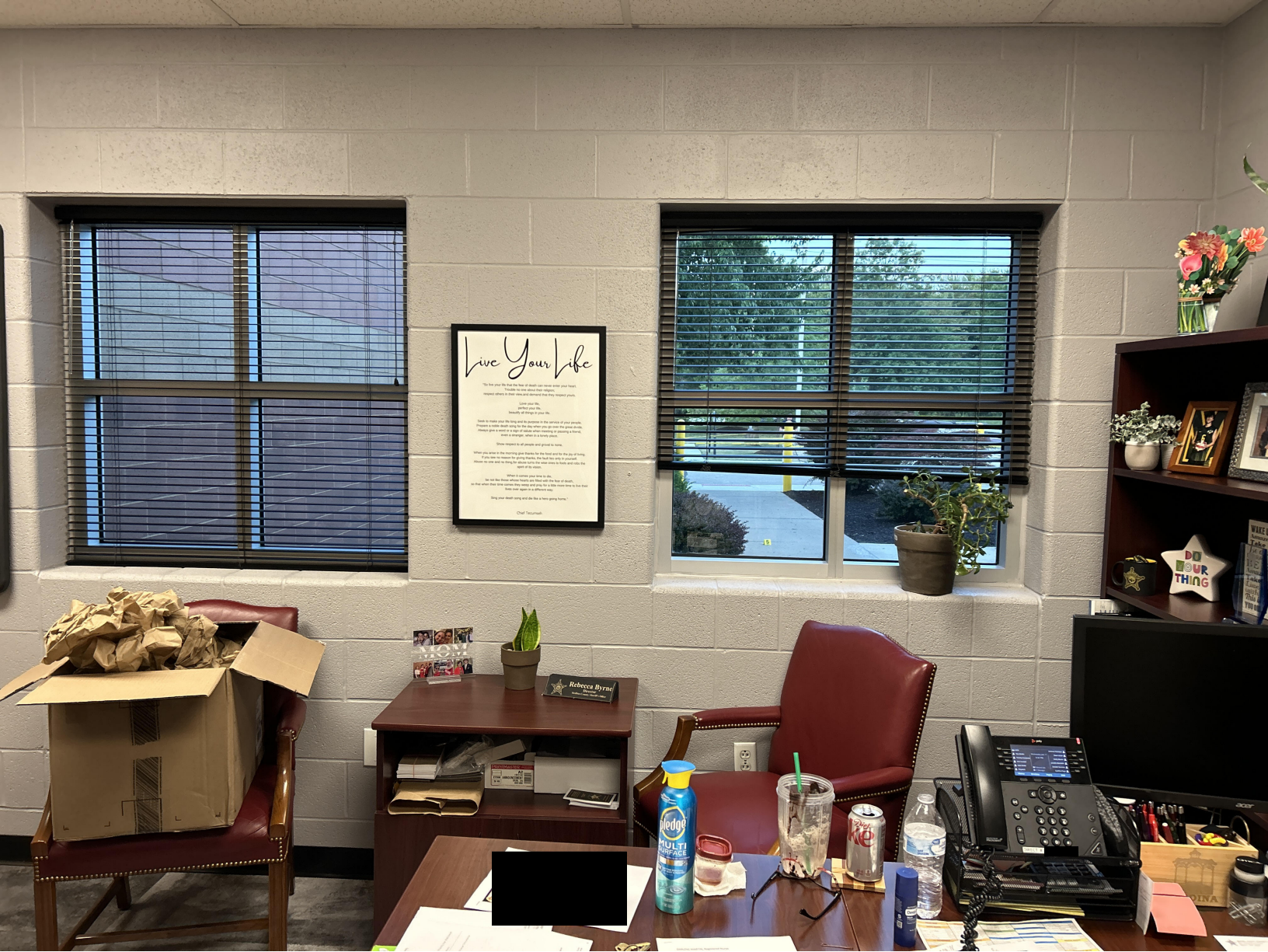
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Attachments:

1. 2024-07-17_Photo_from_Rebecca_Byrne's_Office
2. 2024-07-17_Photo_from_Rebecca_Byrne's_Office-2
3. 2024-07-17_Photo_from_Rebecca_Byrne's_Office-3

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Live Your Life

"Do live your life that the fear of death can never enter your heart.
Trouble no one about their religion,
respect others in their views, and demand that they respect yours.

Love your life,
perfect your life,
beauty all things in your life.

Seek to make your life long and so purpose in the service of your people.
Prepare to make death easy for the day when you go over the great divide.
Always give a word or a sign of salute when meeting or passing a friend,
even a stranger, when in a lonely place.

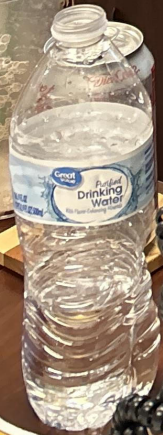
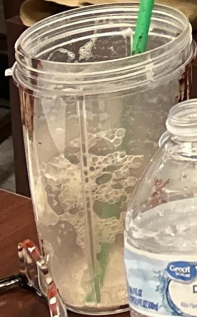
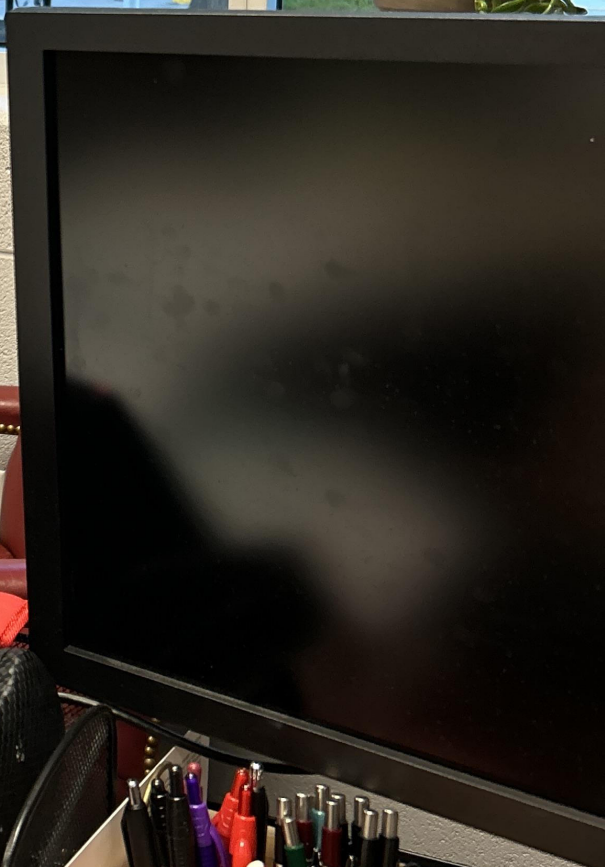
Show respect to all people and grow to none.

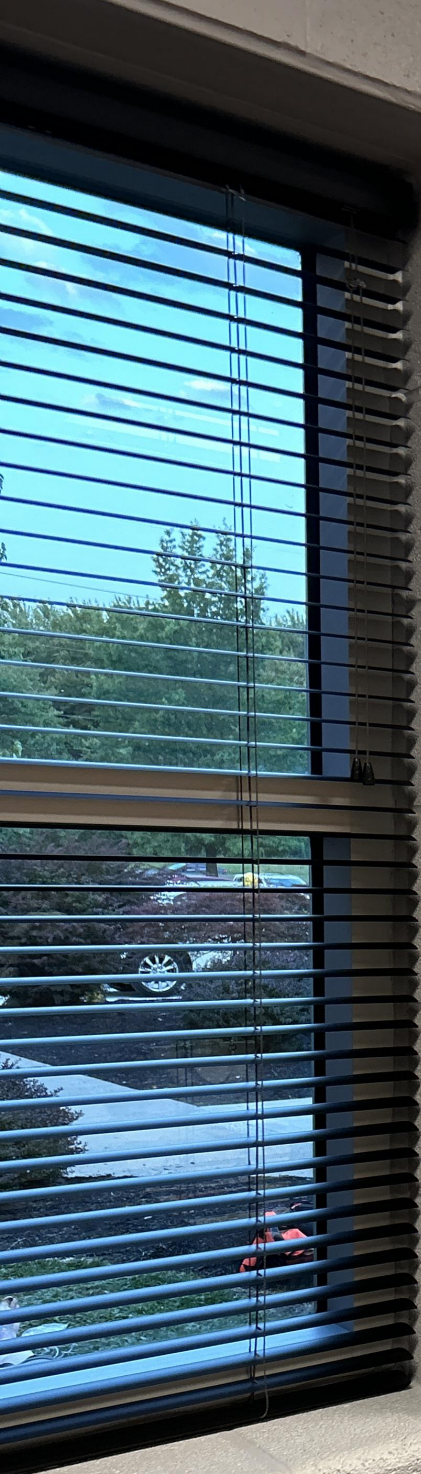
When you arise in the morning give thanks for the food and for the joy of being.
If you see no reason for giving thanks, the fault lies only in yourself.
Honor no one and no thing but allow love the wise eyes to look and color the
spirit of its vision.

When it comes your time to die,
be not like those whose hearts are filled with the fear of death,
so that when that time comes they weep and pray for a little more time to live their
lives over again in a different way.

Sing your death song and do like a hero going home."

Chief Teemuah





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When you arise in the morning give thanks for the food and for the joy of living.
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 Abuse no one and no thing for abuse turns the wise ones to fools and robs the
 spirit of its vision.

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