



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



2022-1527

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

Investigative Activity: Processing of Scene
Activity Date: July 17, 2022
Activity Location: Roadway in front of 5760 US Route 62, Hillsboro, Ohio 45133 (*Scene #1*)
Authoring Agent: Special Agent Kevin Wagner #80

On July 17th, 2022, Special Agents (SA) Kevin Wagner and Chad Holcomb with the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) were requested to assist the Highland County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) with an investigation regarding an officer involved shooting. The HCSO informed agents that their deputies had been in a pursuit with a male, later identified as Richard Poulin (Poulin). At one point during the pursuit, Poulin's truck struck stop-sticks, and several of the tires deflated. Eventually the truck came to a stop in the roadway at the above address. Reportedly, when deputies attempted to force entry into the truck with a baton, Sergeant [REDACTED] with the HCSO fired a round from his sidearm that struck Poulin. Poulin was later pronounced deceased on scene. A search warrant was obtained for the truck.

SA Wagner arrived in front of the Hillsboro Church of God located at 5760 US Route 62 in Hillsboro at 0255 hours and documented the scene as it was upon arrival. The roadway had two southbound lanes and one northbound lane. There were two HCSO marked cruisers (cruisers 13 and 4) in the roadway parked behind a green Ford F250 with Ohio license FZW1756. All three vehicles were in the southbound lanes. Near the F250 was a Paint Creek ambulance (Medic 4) and some medical supplies.

Only one of the four F250's tires (the passenger rear tire) were inflated. The other three were significantly damaged. Suspected blood was on the pavement on the driver side of the F250. The front driver side and front passenger side windows were broken. There was additional suspected blood on and around the driver seat of the truck. A black cell phone (item 3) was inside a cup holder on the center armrest console. No additional items of evidentiary value were located inside the truck. On the hood of the truck was a wallet that belonged to Poulin, which was collected as item 5. A baton (item 4) was located on the frame of the truck bed behind the truck cab.

Detective Antinoire with the HCSO informed SA Wagner he was in possession of Sergeant [REDACTED]'s duty pistol. The pistol was a 9mm Sig Sauer P320 (serial number [REDACTED]). Along with the Sig Sauer pistol, SA Wagner retrieved a magazine with sixteen WIN 9mm cartridges, and an additional loose cartridge. The pistol, magazine, and additional cartridge were all collected together as item 2.

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Image 1 – Ford F250 with Ohio license FZW1756

The body of Poulin was located on a stretcher inside the rear of the Paint Creek Ambulance. He was wearing a blue button up shirt, khaki shorts, and dirty brown boots. There was a large quantity of suspected dried blood on his face and head. A suspected gunshot wound was located on the left side of his neck. SA Wagner documented Poulin's body with the assistance of the Highland County Coroner's Investigator. The Highland County Coroner's investigator later had Poulin's body removed from the ambulance to be transported to the Montgomery County Coroner's Office for an autopsy.

A 9mm WIN cartridge casing was located on the roadway, a few feet behind where the Paint Creek ambulance was parked. The casing was collected as item 1. No other items of evidentiary value were located on scene. SA Wagner used a FARO 3D scanner scene to collect data and measurements of the scene. SA Wagner cleared the scene at 0630 hours.

SA Wagner turned over items 1-5 to SA Holcomb, who took the property back to BCI and put it in the temporary evidence. On July 18th, SA Wagner took custody of the five items from the BCI temporary evidence and submitted firearms-related evidence (items 1 and 2) to the BCI Lab. Items 3-5 were submitted to the BCI evidence locker to be put in the major crimes evidence vault.

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