



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



2022-1726
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 15266 Gilchrist Rd., Mt.
Vernon (L)

Investigative Activity: Interview with Officer
Involves: Detective Robert Butterworth (W)
Date of Activity: 08/20/2022
Activity Location: Knox County Sheriffs Office – Business – 11540 Upper Gilchrist Road, Mt Vernon, OH 43050, Knox County
Author: SA Andrew Russell

Narrative:

On Saturday, August 20, 2022, at 15:00 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Andrew Russell (SA Russell) interviewed Marysville Police Department (MPD) Detective (Det.) Robert Butterworth (Butterworth). The interview took place at Knox County Sheriff's Office. The interview was audio recorded.

Butterworth was identified as being a police officer who witnessed and/or had some level of involvement in the August 20, 2022, officer-involved shooting which occurred in the area of 15266 Gilchrist Road, Mt. Vernon, Ohio. Reportedly, Butterworth did not discharge a firearm during the course of the incident. The purpose of the interview was to obtain all relevant information of the incident known or observed by this officer.

Butterworth stated that on August 20, 2022, he was requested by the Delaware Tactical Unit (DTU) to bring his armored vehicle, BearCat, to Knox County to assist the DTU. Butterworth stated that Corporal Pizzi was the driver, also from MPD, and approximately eight members from various tactical teams were in the rear. Butterworth advised they drove up a long driveway towards a residence and parked. Butterworth added he then observed an unknown male subject in an upstairs window holding a rifle, pointed it at the BearCat, and shot out the driver's side window then shot his passenger side window. Butterworth advised they then backed down the driveway and were shot at several more times. The damage to the BearCat included three flat tires. Butterworth then advised a short time later the garage door opened and a side-by-side (ATV) took off at a high rate of speed.

Butterworth advised that was the extent of his involvement in this incident.

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The interview concluded at approximately 15:05 hours.

The interview was audio recorded. The audio recording was attached to this report. Please see the attachments for further details.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 22-08-20 Det Robert Butterworth

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