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Officer Involved Critical Incident - 121 W. Perry St.

Investigative Activity: 2024-05-03: OICI – 121 West Perry Street Tiffin, Ohio
Involves: Tiffin Police Department
Activity Date: 05/03/2024
Activity Location: 121 West Perry Street Tiffin, Ohio
Authoring Agent: Emily Miller

Narrative:

On May 3, 2024, at 1200 hours, Crime Scene Technician Emily Miller was contacted by Special Agent Roberts about an Officer Involved Critical Incident in Seneca County, involving Tiffin Police Department. Special Agent Roberts advised that a Tiffin Police Department Officer pulled over a vehicle that had a BOLO (be on the lookout) status. Preliminary information provided to Special Agent Roberts and Crime Scene Technician Miller indicated that after the officer pulled over the vehicle in question, Blake Fleure exited the vehicle and charged the officer with a knife. The Tiffin Police Department requested assistance from the Crime Scene Unit and Special Investigations Unit in processing the scene and handling the investigation. S/A Roberts and CST Miller of the Crime Scene Unit accepted the request in the examination of the scene and collection of potential evidence.

It should be noted that this information was provided to CST Miller and S/A Roberts as an initial briefing. This information was used as a general overview to assist with the crime scene investigation. Details included in the brief of this report may not reflect information given by involved parties later in the investigation.

At approximately 1330 hours CST Miller arrived at the scene. The scene was cordoned off with crime scene tape and officers from Tiffin Police Department were actively protecting the scene. Special Agent Roberts arrived shortly after. Weather conditions at the time of arrival were overcast and approximately 63 degrees Fahrenheit. Chief Pauly from Tiffin Police Department briefly spoke with CST Miller and stated they had placed placards by potential evidence. It was also stated that the officer's vehicle had been moved after the incident. A digital crime scene log was being maintained by Tiffin Police Department per Chief Pauly. The scene was photographed as found.

Personnel from Tiffin PD stated that contents found in the back left pocket of Blake Fleure was collected by the Tiffin Fire Chief before Fleure was taken to Tiffin Memorial Hospital. The contents were placed into a brown paper bag and locked in a patrol vehicle

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before being given to CST Miller. The brown paper bag contained a set of keys (with red/brown stain), one (1) Milwaukee brand folding knife, and one wallet with miscellaneous credit cards, license, and eighty-six dollars (\$86) in cash. All contents found in the paper bag and including the paper bag were placed into a manila envelope and retained as evidence (**BCI Item #9**).



The scene was measured and documented by S/A Roberts utilizing a Leica RTC360 scanner. A drone was also deployed by CST Miller to capture arial photographs. While processing the scene, it was learned that the incident was captured on video by a security camera located at 121 West Perry Street. A picture of the house, security camera and its corresponding views were photographed.

The scene was located on the roadway of West Perry Street in Tiffin, Ohio, in front of the house located at 121 West Perry Street. West Perry Street runs east to west with houses on the north and south side of the road. A red Chevrolet truck was facing west with its driver door open. The vehicle was located directly in front of 123 West Perry Street. Personnel from Tiffin Police Department advised the vehicle's registration came back to Eric Fleure.

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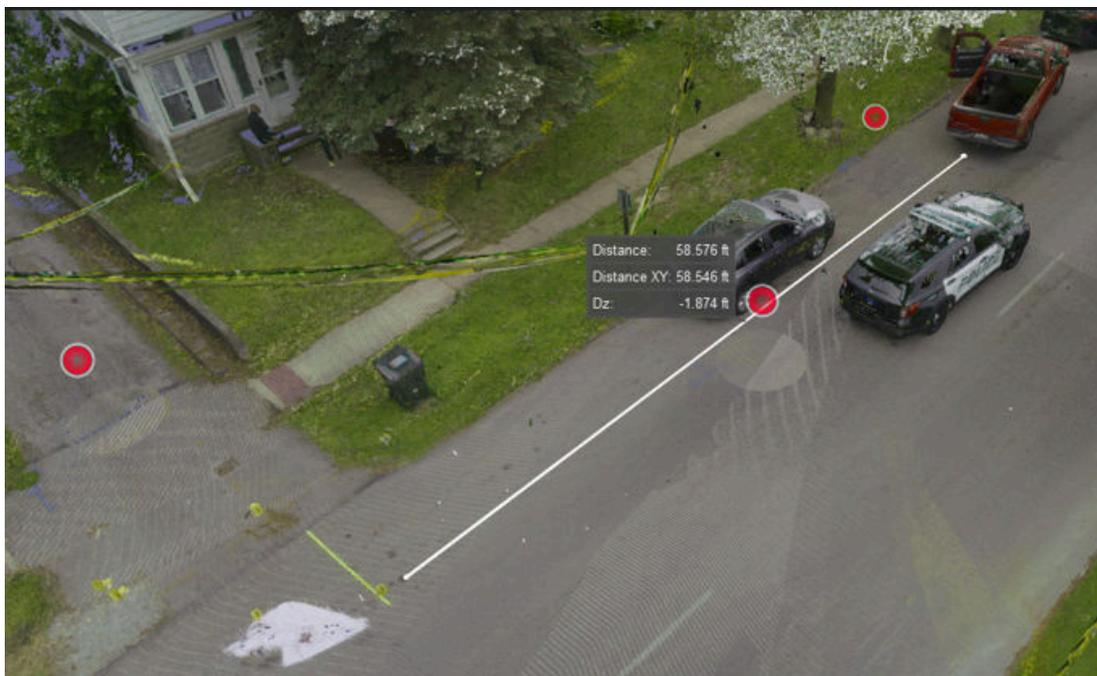


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To the east of the red Chevrolet were three additional vehicles. One vehicle was a grey Honda with license plate **JGK 2980** and was found to belong to a resident on West Perry Street. This vehicle did not appear to have any damage and was later requested to be moved several feet to the east to look for additional potential evidence, in which none was found. The second vehicle was a Tiffin Police Department vehicle plate **TPD 56**, and the third vehicle was a greyish/green Subaru with license plate **JAL 1354**. It was later determined this vehicle was driven by the mother of Blake Fleure. No apparent damage was present on the exterior of this vehicle.

Located at the end of the alleyway, between the greyish/green Subaru and grey Honda were multiple items of evidence that were collected by the crime scene unit.



Scanner photo to show distance of truck to alleyway

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Two (2) fired cartridge casings labeled **SPEER 21 9mm LUGER** were found in the alleyway. Each casing was collected and placed into separate manila envelopes and labeled as **BCI #1 & #2**.



BCI Item #1



BCI Item #2

A **M&P by Smith&Wesson** brand folding pocket knife was found west of the fired cartridge casings. Red/brown stain were located on the handle of the knife near the blade. The knife was placed into a cardboard box and collected as evidence (**BCI Item #3**).

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BCI Item #3

BCI Item #4 was a white blanket/sheet with gauze roll that contained a large amount of red/brown stain. It was later learned emergency personnel brought the sheet to the scene to try relocating Blake Fleure from the ground to the ambulance. Emergency personnel decided not to use the blanket and it was left at the scene. The blanket/sheet and gauze roll were collected in a brown paper bag and retained as evidence (**BCI Item #4**).

Located to the west of the sheet, were red/brown stains located on the asphalt. They were approximately 5' from the edge of the roadway. It measured approximately 3' by 2' in size. One (1) swab with distilled water was utilized to collect a representative sample of the stain. The swab was placed into a manila envelope and retained as evidence (**BCI Item #5**).

Examination of Chevrolet 1500

A warrant to search the Chevrolet truck was signed by Judge Damon D. Ault. A photocopy of the warrant was proved to CST Miller and was uploaded into Matrix. The vehicle information is as follows:

Make: Chevrolet	Model: 1500	Color: Red
License: HDP 8749	VIN: 1GCEK14TXYE158553	

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The exterior of the vehicle was examined by investigators. The vehicle was in fairly good condition. Nothing of evidentiary value was located.

The interior of the vehicle was examined and photographed as found. The vehicle was well kept and contained personal effects. The following items were located, packaged, and retained as evidence:

BCI Item #	Item Description	Location Found
6	Apple iPhone	Top of Center Console
7	Swab - Red/Brown Stain	Interior Driver Side Door
8	Swab - Red/Brown Stain	Driver Seat

Red/Brown Stains

Red/Brown stains were located on the driver side of the vehicle.

Placard #6 are red brown stains elliptical in shape located on the interior of the driver side door measuring approximately 2mm to 12mm in size. The stains were approximately 12" from the left edge of the grey panel and 5" from the bottom edge of the grey panel. One (1) swab with distilled water was utilized to collect a representative sample of the stain. The swab was placed into a manila envelope and retained as evidence (BCI Item #6).



BCI Item #6

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BCI Item #7 is a saturated stain located on the driver seat measuring approximately 2" x 6" in size. One (1) swab with distilled water was utilized to collect a representative sample of the stain. The swab was placed into a manila envelope and retained as evidence.



BCI Item #7

Examination of Tiffin Police Department Vehicle

The exterior of the vehicle was examined. The vehicle was a black and white four-door Ford, bearing license plate **TPD 56**. "Police Tiffin" was written on each side of the vehicle. Mounted on the top of the vehicle were emergency lights. The vehicle was in good condition.

The interior of the vehicle was examined and photographed as found. The vehicle was well kept. Various police equipment was present including a camera mounted to the front windshield.

A secondary search of the scene and vehicles was requested to be performed by BCI Special Agents. No further items of evidentiary value were located at the scene. All items collected as evidence were transferred over to BCI Special Agent Emahiser who stated he would take them to the BCI Office located in Bowling Green, Ohio and secure them in the evidence/property room. Special Agent Roberts and Crime Scene Technician Miller cleared the scene at approximately 1630 hours.

The images at the time of scene examination were uploaded into Matrix and will serve as the master images.

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Please send a copy of this report to:

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Attachments: Diagram (x2)

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