



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



2025-0854

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 645 Hazen Avenue,  
Ravenna, OH 44266, Portage County

**Investigative Activity:** Agency Report Review  
**Involves:** Ravenna Police Department (O)  
**Activity Date:** 04/10/2025  
**Activity Location:** 4055 Highlander Parkway, Richfield, Summit County,  
Ohio, 44286  
**Authoring Agent:** SA John P. Tingley #154

**Narrative:**

On Thursday, April 10, 2025, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) John Tingley (SA Tingley) received documents from the Ravenna Police Department (RPD). The records which were requested included any reports pertaining to the March 16, 2025, officer-involved critical incident, except for any statements made by the involved officers. SA Tingley reviewed the documents and noted the following:

The report was authored by Officer Wise and lists the call type as: "Man With A Gun" and the location as 645 Hazen Avenue, Apartment 3, Ravenna. The RPD Incident Number was listed as: 2250750005 and lists the incident date as Sunday, March 16, 2025.

The report narrative was a copy of the RPD Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) report. The following is an excerpt taken directly from the beginning of the CAD report but does not include all of the information copied from the CAD report as only that information deemed by SA Tingley to be the most relevant and useful in understanding the facts of the officer involved critical incident.

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Report Supplements:

The following excerpts are taken directly from the supplements written by the listed officers. These excerpts do not contain all of the information written within the individual supplements, and the excerpts copied had been edited by SA Tingley to list that information deemed to be the most relevant and useful in understanding the facts of the officer involved critical incident as known to the authoring officers.

Officer Joshua Erb Supplement:

"On 03-16-2025 at approximately 0155hrs., I was called into work and notified of this shooting. Once on scene I maintained perimeter at the front door of 645 Hazen Ave. I also maintained sight of the cruiser the suspects gun was placed in until BCI collected it."

Detective Duane Kelly Supplement:

"On 3/16/25 at approximately 0145 hrs., I was contacted by Sgt. Svab and advised members of the Ravenna Police Department were at 645 Hazen St. (Hazen St. Apartments) for a armed barricaded male offender and shots had been fired. While enroute I was again contacted by Sgt. Svab and advised members of the Ravenna Police Department had fatally shot the offender and BCI was being contacted to respond.

Upon me entering the front door and to the bottom steps leading to basement level of the complex was a deceased male lying supine position. The male had apparent gunshot wounds sustained on his chest area in plain view. Medical go bags were laying in the immediate area of the body as it was apparent efforts to aide medical treatment occurred prior to my arrival.

Sgt. Svab and I made contact with one, Terrance Conway and one Becky Clark inside 645 Hazen St. Apt. 3 where Becky resides. I began speaking with Terry and asked him to recount the events as it pertains to this incident.

Terry stated Shawn had knocked on the door of Apt. 3 to which he answered and opened the door. Terry described Shawn brandishing a handgun and pointing it at him in his chest area. According to Terry, Shawn put the gun in his chest and pushed Terry back into the apartment with Shawn going into the apartment as well. Terry and Becky both disclosed Shawn had entered the apartment forcefully holding Terry at gunpoint.

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Terry stated Shawn fell asleep at which point he called the police. Terry advised he left the door unlocked for police to arrive. Terry stated he opened the door for police while Shawn was passed out. Terry advised Shawn grabbed him indicating forcefully and put Terry in between himself and police proceeding out to the hallway while utilizing the gun on Terry.

According to Terry, while in the hallway Shawn pointed the gun at the officer near the laundry room and in turn the officer fired shots at Shawn. Terry indicated Shawn was advancing towards the officer with the gun. Terry stated he heard Shawn say 'I'm gonna fucking kill you.' This was directed at the officers and was during the events leading up to the shooting."

Officer Zach Milush Supplement:

"On March 16, 2025, at approximately 0142 hours, I was on a call for service with Deputy McKendrick of the Portage County Sheriff's Office, when I overheard Ptl. Wise #429 state, over the radio, a male had pointed a firearm at him while on this call for service. While enroute, Sgt. Coy #409 called out over the radio that shots had been fired.

Dep. McKendrick and I arrived on scene and immediately made our way into 645 Hazen Avenue. I observed a male lying on his back and Ptl. Wise rendering aid to him. Ptl. Wise addressed him as "Shawn", to which I, then, identified him as Shawn Ware from a menacing incident which occurred earlier in the shift. Ware's shirt had been cut open and I observed several wounds on his torso. Upon verifying the scene was safe, I began rendering aid."

There were also other supplements written days after the incident which had been attached to the RPD Agency Report and are an Agency Autopsy Review and Agency BWC Review which are not listed here as there are separate BCI reports documenting these specific activities.

The report for RPD incident # 2250750005 was attached to this investigative report. Please refer to the attachment for further details.

**References:**

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**Attachments:**

1. Ravenna PD Incident Report

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Ravenna City  
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Fax: (330)296-4561

## Investigative Report

Incident #: 2250750005

Report Date:

Sunday, March 16, 2025

### Incident Information

Call Type: **MAN WITH GUN** Call ID: **2250750005**  
Location: 645 HAZEN AV 3 RAVENNA Zone: RPD 3  
Occurred Between: 03/16/2025 01:34:00 And 03/16/2025 01:34:00  
Supervisor: 429 Brock Wise Unit on Scene: Wise  
Officer Report: 429 Brock Wise Officer Assigned: 429 Brock Wise  
Boards: D, C or J: Copies To:  
Approved By: Approved Date:  
Clearance Code: -

### Dispatch Times

Received: 01:34 Dispatched: 01:39 Arrived: 01:40 Cleared: 06:59 Total: 5:24

### Incident Names

**Entry Type** Name: WARE, ANGEL LYNETTE DOB: 01/11/1977  
**NOK** Address: 1325 APACHE TRAIL A Stow, OH 44224 Phone1: [REDACTED]  
Sex: F Race: B Hgt: 5 8 Wgt: 204 Hair: BLK Eyes: BRO Phone2: [REDACTED]

**Entry Type** Name: CONWAY, TERRANCE J DOB: 07/08/1970  
**SUB** Address: 428 S DIAMOND ST 2 RAVENNA, OH 44266 Phone1: [REDACTED]  
Sex: M Race: W Hgt: 6 0 Wgt: 200 Hair: BRO Eyes: GRN Phone2: [REDACTED]

**Entry Type** Name: CLARK, BECKY L DOB: 01/07/1969  
**SUB** Address: 645 HAZEN AVE 3 Ravenna, OH 44266 Phone1: [REDACTED]  
Sex: F Race: W Hgt: 5 7 Wgt: 170 Hair: BLN Eyes: GRN Phone2: [REDACTED]

**Entry Type** Name: RICHARDSON, EDWARD A DOB: 03/07/1973  
**SUB** Address: 655 HAZEN AVE APT 10 10 RAVENNA, OH 44266 Phone1: [REDACTED]  
Sex: M Race: W Hgt: 6 4 Wgt: 195 Hair: BRO Eyes: BRO Phone2: [REDACTED]

**Entry Type** Name: WARE, SHAWN ANTONIO DOB: 10/15/1976  
**SUS** Address: 655 HAZEN AVE 12 RAVENNA, OH 44266 Phone1: [REDACTED]  
Sex: M Race: B Hgt: 6 0 Wgt: 205 Hair: BLK Eyes: BRO Phone2: [REDACTED]

**Entry Type** Name: GRAHAM, JAMES AARON DOB: 09/04/1986  
**WIT** Address: 268 CEDAR AVE RAVENNA, OH 44266 Phone1: [REDACTED]  
Sex: M Race: W Hgt: 5 11 Wgt: 200 Hair: BRO Eyes: BRO Phone2: [REDACTED]

### Incident Property

Make	Model	Serial #	Value
			\$ 0.00
<b>Prop.Type</b>	<b>Description:</b>	<b>Remarks:</b>	
	41231 Keys	On Lanyard (2 keys)	



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<u>Prop.Type</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Serial #</u>	<u>Value</u>
	FOXX			\$ 0.00
	<u>Description:</u>	<u>Remarks:</u>		
	41232 Cell Phone	Smart Phone		
<u>Prop.Type</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Serial #</u>	<u>Value</u>
				\$ 0.00
	<u>Description:</u>	<u>Remarks:</u>		
	41233 Misc Property	2 Cell Phones, Digital Camera, USB Adapter		
<u>Prop.Type</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Serial #</u>	<u>Value</u>
	Unk			\$ 0.00
	<u>Description:</u>	<u>Remarks:</u>		
	41235 Cell Phone	Found on Glass Coffee Table		
<u>Prop.Type</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Serial #</u>	<u>Value</u>
	Detonics .45			\$ 0.00
	<u>Description:</u>	<u>Remarks:</u>		
	41237 BB Pistol	Silver/Black Wood Grips		

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(3/16/2025 01:44:49 By: Colleen.wert) 401 VM LEFT

(3/16/2025 01:45:38 By: smithe) 404 ADVISED. HE WILL NOTIFY THE REST OF DB

(3/16/2025 01:45:41 By: smithe) 421-CHECK UP OK

(3/16/2025 01:45:49 By: Colleen.wert) 403 VM LEFT

(3/16/2025 01:46:00 By: smithe) 421-FD FOR MALE THAT IS SHOT

(3/16/2025 01:46:06 By: Colleen.wert) 409- SCENE SECURE

(3/16/2025 01:46:35 By: smithe) FD UPDATED

(3/16/2025 01:47:03 By: Colleen.wert) 200 ER

(3/16/2025 01:47:54 By: smithe) 404-UPDATED

(3/16/2025 01:47:57 By: Colleen.wert) 409- SET PERIMETER

(3/16/2025 01:50:30 By: Colleen.wert) 403 HAS BEEN NOTIFIED

(3/16/2025 01:51:47 By: Colleen.wert) 100 OS

(3/16/2025 01:52:12 By: Colleen.wert) 421- COMPRESSIONS STARTED

(3/16/2025 01:54:41 By: Colleen.wert) 409- CALL DAY SHIFT IN

(3/16/2025 01:55:48 By: smithe) ERB REQUESTED

(3/16/2025 01:56:22 By: Colleen.wert) 406 WILL BE ER



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(3/16/2025 01:57:39 By: smithe) OSP OFFERED 10. PER 409 WE HAVE ENOUGH AT THIS TIME. OSP ADVISED THEY WILL BE IN THE AREA.

(3/16/2025 02:00:41 By: smithe) OSP SENDING MAT (MEMBER ASSISTANCE TEAM)

(3/16/2025 02:40:43 By: Colleen.wert) PER 403- CONTACT 408

(3/16/2025 02:42:29 By: smithe) 403-REQUEST 408 AND 406 IS CALLING 424 IN EARLY. 496 TO STAY UNTIL UC. CONTACT CORONER

(3/16/2025 02:42:35 By: smithe) CORONER ADVISED

(3/16/2025 02:43:47 By: Colleen.wert) 408 IS UNABLE TO COME IN

(3/16/2025 02:44:21 By: Colleen.wert) PER 403 CONTACT 405

(3/16/2025 02:44:49 By: smithe) CORONER ER. ETA 30 MINS

(3/16/2025 02:46:07 By: Colleen.wert) 405 WILL BE ER

(3/16/2025 02:54:58 By: Colleen.wert) 413 & 429 ER UHPMC

(3/16/2025 02:59:35 By: Colleen.wert) 413 & 429 70 uhpmc

(3/16/2025 03:23:33 By: SMITHE) 406 OUT AT UH WITH 409

(3/16/2025 03:27:34 By: Colleen.wert) 432- 83 witness 25

(3/16/2025 03:30:00 By: SMITHE) 424-REQUEST 29 TO CHECK VITALS ON 2 SUBJECT ON 25

(3/16/2025 03:35:15 By: Colleen.wert) 432- back er to hazen

(3/16/2025 03:51:46 By: Colleen.wert) 404-chief pros. notified, will be er

(3/16/2025 03:58:06 By: SMITHE) 404-CCH WARE

(3/16/2025 04:01:33 By: SMITHE) PER FD, TIME OF DEATH 2:35AM PRONOUNCED BY DR POPE

(3/16/2025 05:21:48 By: Colleen.wert) 413- 83 to graham residence myrtle/bennet

(3/16/2025 05:24:14 By: Colleen.wert) 413- male 83 dropped off/ 33

(3/16/2025 05:34:56 By: Colleen.wert) 413- 70 hazen

(3/16/2025 05:55:21 By: Colleen.wert) 424- male & female 83 to 645 hazen to recover vehicle

(3/16/2025 06:08:30 By: Colleen.wert) VM LEFT FOR TONY PALMISANO

(3/16/2025 06:17:31 By: Colleen.wert) TONY PALMISANO HAS CALLED BACK, HE HAS BEEN NOTIFIED OF BIOHAZARD CLEANUP

Reporting Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Entered By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_





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## Investigative Report Supplement

Date: 03/16/2025      Reporting Officer: 432 Joshua Erb      INC#: 2250750005      CFS#: 2250750005

**Supplement Title: Supplement**

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On 03-16-2025 at approximately 0155hrs., I was called into work and notified of this shooting. Once on scene I maintained perimeter at the front door of 645 Hazen Ave. I also maintained sight of the cruiser the suspects gun was placed in until BCI collected it. During my time on scene I also assisted DB with clearing 655 Hazen Apt. 12, the apartment of the suspect. During the protective sweep of the residence no one was located but several items of interest were in plain view. These items included a gun on a bed in a bedroom, cell phones in the living room, and multiple surveillance cameras in the living room.  
BWC 7 cruiser 7

Reporting Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Entered By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# Investigative Report Supplement

Date: 03/16/2025

Reporting Officer: 423 Duane Kaley

INC#: 2250750005

CFS#: 2250750005

## Supplement Title: Detective Bureau Callout

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On 3/16/25 at approximately 0145 hrs., I was contacted by Sgt. Svab and advised members of the Ravenna Police Department were at 645 Hazen St. (Hazen St. Apartments) for a armed barricaded male offender and shots had been fired. While enroute I was again contacted by Sgt. Svab and advised members of the Ravenna Police Department had fatally shot the offender and BCI was being contacted to respond. I was directed to the scene to which I arrived.

It had rained on this particular morning and was off and on while enroute, at my arrival, and the duration of being on scene. I walked from the north on Hazen St. and approached the front of 645 Hazen St. (front entrance). The front of the building was secured with yellow police line tape and once I entered this zone I was met at the front door by Dep. Valantini (Portage County Sheriffs Office) who was guarding the front door and documenting a crime scene log. To the east of the building or back entrance to this particular complex was Ptl. Ellis (Kent Police Department) guarding this point of entry/ exit.

Upon me entering the front door and to the bottom steps leading to basement level of the complex was a deceased male lying supine position shirt cut off, wearing teal boxer briefs, white mid ankle socks on both feet. The male had apparent gunshot wounds sustained on his chest area in plain view. The male also had a substantial amount of coagulated blood pooled under his head area. Medical go bags were laying in the immediate area of the body as it was apparent efforts to aide medical treatment occurred prior to my arrival.

I observed several silver jacketed apparent 9mm casings west of the males head and several silver jacketed 9mm casings east of the males feet. I also observed a mushroomed projectile resting on the floor of the hallway west of the male's head. From what I learned was this male came from 645 Apt. 3 during the encounter with Sgt. Coy and Ptl. Wise that led up to the discharge of there firearms.

Sgt. Svab and I made contact with one, Terrance Conway aka Terry Conway and one Becky Clark inside 645 Hazen St. Apt. 3 where Becky resides. I began speaking with Terry and asked him to recount the events as it pertains to this incident. Terry identified the deceased male as Matt however I learned from his was one Shawn Antonio Ware who resided at 655 Hazen St. Apt. 12.

Terry stated Shawn had knocked on the door of Apt. 3 to which he answered and opened the door. Terry described Shawn brandishing a handgun and pointing it at him in his chest area. According to Terry, Shawn put the gun in his chest and pushed Terry back into the apartment with Shawn going into the apartment as well. Terry and Becky both disclosed Shawn had entered the apartment forcefully holding Terry at gunpoint.

Terry stated Shawn made him sit in a chair in the living room area while Shawn stayed seated behind him in a chair by the kitchen dining island counter top. Both Terry and Becky directed me to a fixed blade butcher style knife with an orange handle laying on the counter top. Becky and Terry denied it being there knife and also stated no one else stays at the apartment. Becky advised she originally located the knife laying on the floor where Shawn was sitting.

Terry speculated the motive behind Shawn coming over was because of the ongoing issue he has with black people that stay upstairs above Apt.3 or his daughter Trista Wilson "snitching on

people to cover herself." Terry stated he observed Shawn texting and when Terry went to look over Shawn ordered him not to move. Terry stated a police scanner was on in apartment. Terry went to turn it down the scanner and Shawn told him to leave it on. Terry confirmed Shawn wanted to listen to the live police.

Terry stated Shawn fell asleep at which point he called the police. Both Terry and Becky advised Shawn had brought an orange handled butcher knife with him. Terry advised he left the door unlocked for police to arrive. Terry stated he opened the door for police while Shawn was passed out. Terry advised Shawn grabbed him indicating forcefully and put Terry in between himself and police proceeding out to the hallway while utilizing the gun on Terry.

According to Terry while in the hallway Shawn pointed the gun at the officer near the laundry room and in turn the officer fired shots at Shawn. Terry indicated Shawn was advancing towards the officer with the gun. Terry stated he heard Shawn say "I'm gonna fucking kill you." This was directed at the officers and was during the events leading up to the shooting.

Sgt. Svab and I met with agents from BCI who arrived on scene and briefed them of what was learned and observed up to this point. BCI took over the scene and began processing it. Terry and Becky were notified of the need to process the apartment and hallway where Shawn was deceased and agreed to go to the Ravenna Police Department to speak with BCI.

Uniformed members of the Ravenna Police Department maintained security around the scene till BCI concluded.

Reporting Officer:	_____	Date:	_____
Supervisor:	_____	Date:	_____
Entered By:	_____	Date:	_____
Approved By:	_____	Date:	_____

# Investigative Report Supplement

Date: 03/17/2025

Reporting Officer: 421 Zach Milush

INC#: 2250750005

CFS#: 2250750005

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**Supplement Title: Supplement**

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On March 16, 2025, at approximately 0142 hours, I was on a call for service (reference CFS #: 2250750004) with Deputy McKendrick of the Portage County Sheriff's Office, when I overheard Ptl. Wise #429 state, over the radio, a male had pointed a firearm at him while on this call for service. I immediately made my way to this call for service, with my emergency lights and sirens activated. While enroute, Sgt. Coy #409 called out over the radio that shots had been fired. Sgt. Coy also requested EMS and the Ravenna PD Detective Bureau to be called out. I observed Dep. McKendrick following behind in an emergency fashion as well.

Upon arrival, Dep. McKendrick and I arrived on scene and immediately made our way into 645 Hazen Avenue. I observed a male lying on his back and Ptl. Wise rendering aid to him. Ptl. Wise addressed him as "Shawn", to which I, then, identified him as Shawn Ware from a menacing incident which occurred earlier in the shift. Ware's shirt had been cut open and I observed several wounds on his torso. Upon verifying the scene was safe, I began rendering aid. Utilizing medical supplies from Deputy McKendrick, I began rendering aid by packing the visible wounds with hemostatic gauze. It should be noted I was wearing latex gloves at this time. During these events, Sgt. Coy was observed to be making notifications on the phone. Sgt. Coy indicated to me this was an officer involved shooting. Both Dep. McKendrick and I felt a faint pulse on Ware, but soon felt no pulse. At this time, I began CPR compressions. Ravenna City EMS arrived and took over care of Ware.

It should be noted, while I was rendering aid, I was knelt down near Ware. I noticed I had knelt in a pool of his blood during this incident, my right knee making contact with his blood. Upon clearing the scene, I checked my knee for cuts, scrapes, and abrasions. None were observed at this time. My knee was cleaned with soap and water as soon as possible. An accidental exposure form has been filled out and filed.

At this time, I secured the scene, awaiting the arrival of the detective bureau. Dep. McKendrick stood at the West entrance door of the complex, maintaining a crime scene log. Ofc. Ellis, of Kent PD, had arrived to assist and was maintaining control of the East entrance door to the complex. Sgt. Svab and Det. Kaley arrived and took over the scene. I was then tasked with maintaining the scene log.

BCI and the Coroner's Office Investigator arrived on scene to conduct investigation.

While maintaining the log, I advised Det. Kaley and Sgt. Svab of the menacing incident involving Ware.

I maintained the scene log until I was advised the scene was clear and relieved. The scene log was scanned and emailed to Sgt. Svab, per his request. The physical original scene log was given to Sgt. Svab on station.

BWC #33.

Reporting Officer:	<hr/>	Date:	<hr/>
Supervisor:	<hr/>	Date:	<hr/>
Entered By:	<hr/>	Date:	<hr/>
Approved By:	<hr/>	Date:	<hr/>

# Investigative Report Supplement

Date: 03/17/2025

Reporting Officer: 423 Duane Kaley

INC#: 2250750005

CFS#: 2250750005

## Supplement Title: 655 Menacing Incident 2250750003

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On 3/16/2025, Prior to this incident Ptl. Wise responded to the residence of 655 Hazen St. Apt. 6 for a report of aggravated menacing. The complainant, one Edward Richardson aka Eddie Richardson reported to Ptl. Wise who is on scene at 0100 hrs speaking with Eddie.

Eddie reported one Shawn Ware came to him beginning on 3/14/25, knocking on his door to his apartment (655 Hazen Apt.10). According to Eddie, Shawn asked him if he had problem with him to which Eddie said no. Eddie stated Shawn replied if he did have a problem they could handle it now. Eddie described and articulated Shawn displaying mannerisms of being in possession of a pistol.

On 3/15/25, Eddie stated Shawn approached him while he was painting for the landlord at 668 Page St. Apt. 16 earlier in the day threatening to shoot him. Eddie stated Shawn entered inside the vacant apartment and approached him threatening to shoot him and displaying a silver plated semi automatic handgun in the front waist band of his pants.

In listening to the original call into Ravenna City Dispatch, Eddie calls in to report Shawn threatening shoot him with a gun. The call into Ravenna City Dispatch consists of Eddie disclosing the threats with a gun and states he heard Shawn might be in possession of a BB gun but only heard that through the landlord of the property.

Eddie advised on 3/15/25 at approximately 9:30 PM while on his couch Shawn continued to make comments to the effect he knew where he and his girlfriend sit in the apartment and was going to shoot down at them. It should be noted Shawn's apartment (655 Hazen Apt. 12) sits directly over top Eddie's living room. Eddie also stated Shawn was going to his cousins in the area of Page St. Apartments to retrieve a .45 caliber gun to shoot him.

Further investigation revealed in 2023, Ptl. Wise, Montes, Wike, and Sgt. Coy responded to a shots fire call at 668 Page St. (Page St. Apartments) CFS 2231130048. Report in E-Storage. A handgun and ammunition were seized in this matter as well as spent 9mm casings. The subjects in the report, Joshua Oneal, Marquita Sanders, and Carl Kenrick are believed to currently be residing at 668 Page St.

Reporting Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Entered By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Investigative Report Supplement

Date: 03/18/2025

Reporting Officer: 404 Dustin Svab

INC#: 2250750005

CFS#: 2250750005

## Supplement Title: Autopsy of Ware

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On Monday, March 17, 2025, I attended the autopsy of Shawn Ware. Also present, was Senior Special Agent Dan Boerner from BCI, and Portage County Coroner's Office Investigator, Lynn Scott. Dr. E Mooney, of the Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's Office performed the autopsy.

The below documented information is based simply on my observations of the procedure and the dialogue that took place during the autopsy. The final medical report will only be available after all of the information and/or evidence is reviewed by the doctor and the final report is completed.

Based on information known at this point, the below listed information is as follows pertaining to the rounds ammunition fired during the encounter.

8 total rounds of ammunition fired between the 2 involved officers. This is based on the number of spent shell casings recovered.

4 fired projectiles (bullets) were recovered at the scene by BCI.

1 fired projectile (not recovered) is believed to have entered a wall on the east side of the lower level, and to the left of the stairs.

3 fired projectiles were retained within the body and were removed during autopsy.

It is believed all 8 fired rounds of ammunition struck Ware.

The following is a preliminary list of injuries observed during autopsy and believed to be the specific results of bullet impacts.

1. One round entered the back side of the body in the back of the neck. The injury was observed to generally be in the center of the neck from top to bottom. It was also situated approximately 1 inch to the left of the spine and center of the neck vertically. The trajectory of this round traveled toward the abdomen of the body and penetrated the left lung, Pericardium (Grazed the Heart), and is believed to have penetrated the liver and Spleen, ultimately coming to rest in the lower Thoracic cavity. This round appears to have resulted in the most damage and contributed to the significant bleeding observed at the scene near the base of the head.
2. A second entry point was observed towards the top of the left shoulder. This round is believed to have traveled down the length of the left arm along the Humerus, exiting the arm near the elbow.
3. Another round passed through the middle finger of the left hand and appeared to have shattered and expelled the majority of the last bone within the finger (Distal Phalanx). The end of the finger only showed pieces of what remained of a fingernail and some skin.
4. There was an injury to the front of the abdomen and to the left of the belly button. This round appears to have entered the Thoracic cavity at which time it encountered the heavier muscles of the Diaphragm, as well as the colon and bowel area. The round traveled slightly more to the left, inverted, and embedded itself backwards into the inner, left blade of the Pelvis.
5. An additional round appears to have entered the right, inner thigh. This round traveled upwards and came to stop within the Pelvis area, it was removed from his backside towards the center of his Buttocks.
6. There were 3 additional injuries on the back that are believed to be points of entry. Preliminarily, it is unclear if any of the recovered projectiles are associated with these 3 suspected entry points. Also unclear at this point is the specific trajectory routes of those 3

suspected entry points based, in part, on damage within the abdominal cavity.

Notable observations also include severe Liver disease as noted by Scerosis and lesions observed on the surface of the liver. Also noted as remarkable was the lack of a second Kidney with obvious evidence of a medical procedure suggesting a congenital defect. The other organs within the body were unremarkable. The exterior of the body was observed to have unexplained bruising in different places. The origin of the bruising is unclear, as there was no physical contact between officers and Ware prior to the discharge of their weapons. The exterior of the body also showed various smaller defects in different places, the sources of which are currently not clear.

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# Investigative Report Supplement

Date: 03/18/2025

Reporting Officer: 423 Duane Kaley

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## Supplement Title: Body Worn Camera Review

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On 3/17/25, I assisted Capt. Smallfield in review of the body worn camera from this incident. At 0140 hrs Sgt. Coy and Ptl. Wise approach 645 Hazen from the west side of the building to the front entrance of the complex. Both Coy and Wise enter into the complex at 01:40:53 and proceed downstairs into the bottom level of complex and approach the front door of apartment 3.

At 01:41:23, Ptl. Wise verbalizes contact with occupants inside Apt. 3 and the front door appears to come open. Coy's BWC at 1:41:29 shows Terry holding front door with his left hand looking down and past the door. At 1:41:31, Wise is giving verbal commands to not move and show of hands. A male (Shawn Ware) is laying on the floor inside the apartment then proceeds to get up. Wise and Coy are ordering Shawn to put the gun down and Ware utters "fuck you all."

At 1:41:31 Wise's BWC shows Shawn coming up from the floor feet inside the apartment from the front door holding a gun in his right hand looking at Wise. Terry is still holding the door between Wise and Shawn. Wise continues to give clear loud orders to put the gun down to which Shawn ignores and proceeds to his feet all the while holding the gun in his right hand. At 1:41:34 I observed the orange handled butcher knife that was seized under Shawn as he was getting up onto his feet.

At 1:41:40 Wise utters "drop it. I think its a BB gun." Both Wise and Coy back away from the door and appear to be creating distance from the Shawn. At 1:41:55 it appears a bare leg is coming out of the apartment first. It should be noted upon arriving on scene Sgt. Svab and I met with the occupants Terry Conway and Becky Clark. Terry was wearing shorts and yellow Addidas tennis shoes. A yellow tennis shoe can be observed first coming out of apartment 3. This will have to be played severl times on Wises' BWC to observe Terry's shoe when first opening the door and when he is forced out of the apartment by Shaw. Sgt. Svab took a photo of Terry and I inside the apartment after the shooting at 02:57 am. Shawn was wearing black tennis shoes with some white on the sides.

While coming out Terry utter "don't shoot me, don't shoot me man." At 1:42 you can see Shawn has advanced east down the hall towards Sgt. Coy who has retreated from the door of Apt. 3 and taken a cover position closes to the laundry room. Coy continues to give orders to Shawn with Shawn disregarding. Coy discharges his gun and Shawn is observed falling backwards resting supine position. As Shawn is taking rounds his gun can be observed in his right hand. Ptl. Wise appears to be discharging his gun when Shawn is advancing towards Coy while armed with an apparent gun.

Sgt. Coy's BWC shows at 1:42 movement of what appears to be a black shirt blue had (white male) moving out into the hallway from Apt. 3 first followed by Shawn and his left forearm upward. Again BWC's show on initial contact Terry wearing a black tank top and again Sgt. Svab photographed Terry wearing a black tank top blue hat at 02:57 AM. At 01:42:03 Coy excitedly yells "Shawn drop the gun." This was after Terry is forced out with a gun on him. Terry at 1:41:29 from Coy's BWC is seen wearing a blue hat.

1:42 shots are fired by Wise and Coy. 1:43 Wise and Coy are attempting life saving measures (applying bandages and pressure dressing). 1:46 Coy states he is securing the gun which was located in Ware's right hand when shot in his marked Ravenna Police cruiser. 1:51 Ravenna City Fire Department (paramedics) arrive on scene.

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# Investigative Report Supplement

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## Supplement Title: Detective Bureau Overview

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I responded to 645 Hazen St reference a call in which shots were reported to have been fired. While enroute, I spoke to on-duty patrol supervisor, Sgt Coy. I learned that officers had been involved in a shooting. While speaking with Sgt Coy, Cpt Smallfield arrived on scene and was meeting with Sgt Coy directly, thus I ended our call. Arriving a short while later, I met with Cpt Smallfield and Sgt Coy. I was able to obtain a brief overview of what had previously occurred. I also became aware that BCI was already enroute to investigate. I was directed to the multi unit, multi level structure located at 645 Hazen to begin our investigation. Det Kaley arrived a short while later and accompanied me.

As I approached the building, I found that the 2 entry doors, one facing East and one facing West, had been secured by Portage County Sheriff deputies, Valenti (187) and Whittensoldner (143). Ravenna Police Ptl Milush was situated at the base of the stairs and directly adjacent to the deceased, maintaining the security of the deceased, as well as the entire scene on the lower level of the building.

I photographed spent casings observed on the floor on either side of the deceased on the lower level, as well as what appeared to be projectiles laying on the floor. The deceased was observed laying on his back with his head generally towards the west and his feet towards the east. The majority of his clothing had been removed and was laying near him, which I learned this was the result of immediate medical aid being administered at the scene. I was able to observe a number of injuries to the deceased without touching or otherwise moving the body. I was also able to see a large pool of blood on the carpeting below the neck area of the body. The hallway was photographed as best as possible so as not to contaminate the scene, but to capture items as they appeared upon my arrival.

Det Kaley and myself then made contact with the occupants of apartment #3, Conway and Clark. I took photos of the inside of the apartment. I then separated Clark at which time we moved towards the rear of the apartment, away from Conway so as to obtain her own account of events. In speaking to Clark, she claims she was asleep and unaware of anything until which time the shots were fired. Clark acknowledged that Conway has been staying with her for a short while. Det Kaley remained in the living/dining room area and spoke with Conway.

In speaking to them, we learned that when Ware arrived at the apartment door, he knocked softly. Due to the soft knock, Conway thought it was someone they might know, so the door was opened. Ware pushed by Conway, thus entering the apartment. The 3 remained inside until which time Conway claims Ware either passed out or fell asleep, this allowed Conway an opportunity to call police. After police arrival, Conway was used as a shield when the door was opened for police, but he was able to get away at which time shots were fired shortly thereafter. Clark and Conway both pointed out a large kitchen type knife laying on the counter. They claimed the knife was not their property, and that it had been brought into the apartment by Ware. The knife was left untouched for processing and collection by BCI. Arrangements were made for Conway and Clark to be transported to the Ravenna Police Department for purposes of furthering the interview and to allow for proper processing of the scene by BCI.

As part of the investigation, we became aware that Ware lived in a similar structure, just across the driveway to the west, 655 Hazen Ave, apt 12. BCI was arriving at which time I took the opportunity to speak with them and brief them on our findings thus far. I explained the location of

the apartment across the drive belonging to Ware at which time BCI indicated they would not be involved with any investigation into Ware's apartment. BCI then began their investigation.

At that point, Det Kaley and myself, as well as Sgt Firtik and Ptl Erb proceeded to 655 Hazen apt 12 for purposes of further investigation. Upon arrival, we found the door closed but unlocked. We were unable to get an answer at the door, so we opened the door and announced our presence. Still, there was no response so we chose to enter for purposes of conducting a protective sweep and assuring there were no victims contained within. We did not locate anyone within the apartment. While inside, we did observe a silver in color handgun with wooden grips. The gun was laying on an inflatable bed in the bedroom and appeared to have a hammer cocked to the rear. We had located a set of keys and secured the apartment after we exited.

We then proceeded to apartment 10 directly below Ware's apartment and belonging to Richardson. We were aware of a previous encounter during the day between Richardson and Ware and were seeking additional info, see Det Kaley's supplement.

After speaking with Richardson, we exited the building at which time I contacted Chief Prosecutor Kevin Mayer by phone. Mayer had already been on scene and was aware of the investigation. During this specific call, I explained to Mayer the observation of what appeared to be a handgun laying on an inflatable bed in the bedroom. I explained there did not appear to be any other people living within the apartment. Mayer explained there was no need to obtain a search warrant based on the facts known to this point and felt a more adequate search of the apartment was appropriate.

Det Kaley and myself returned to the apartment at which time a more thorough search was conducted. We collected a realistic looking handgun that was silver in color with a black frame and wood color grips. This was found to be a CO2 fired BB or pellet gun with all safety markings removed. It appeared to be a real gun. It was collected for safekeeping, along with 4 cell phones. The apartment was secured and locked upon leaving. Attempts will be made to perform cell phone extractions to support the investigation.

While in the 655 Hazen St building, I spoke to Charon Whited in apt #11. She claimed she was a friend of Ware's and feared for his well being. No information was released to her. I did however ask if she knew any of Ware's relatives and she only offered to try and reach someone and have them contact police.

I spoke to property manager, Tony Palmisano and advised him that we had secured Ware's apartment. Palmisano indicated that there was no family, next of kin, or any type of contact information listed on his rental contract. I explained the apartment was locked and that we had collected the keys. He offered to help monitor the apartment in coming days for any problems.

I took photos of the scene located on the lower level of 645 Hazen St, as well as inside apartment 3. I also took photos inside 655 Hazen St apt 10. Audio recordings were made while Det Kaley and myself spoke with Conway and Clark, as well as Richardson. The photos I took, along with the audio recordings were attached to E Storage.

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# Investigative Report Supplement

Date: 03/19/2025

Reporting Officer: 404 Dustin Svab

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## Supplement Title: Property Return - Keys

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On today's date I met with Angel Ware after she on station asking for the keys to Ware's apartment. She was accompanied by several family members.

In speaking to Ware, I learned she was aware of the events as reported by the media. She explained that she had been in touch with the Coroner's Office and they have not yet her claim the remains of Ware, however she indicated that she is working on it. Furthermore, when asked, she claimed she did not have any questions regarding the incident at this time.

I offered condolences to all present and explained that we would be willing to meet with them and answer any questions they may have at a later time. A copy of Angel's ID was made, she signed the property tag, and they keys we previously collected for the apartment were turned over to her.

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# Investigative Report Supplement

Date: 03/20/2025

Reporting Officer: 423 Duane Kaley

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## Supplement Title: Shawn Ware Apartment

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On 3/16/25, Sgt. Svab, Sgt. Firtik, Ptl. Erb and I made entry into Shawn Ware's apartment upon discovering it unlocked. The initial entry was to conduct a protective sweep of the interior. This was based off Ware was deceased and it was being gathered he came from this apartment prior to the shooting. The initial sweep in plain view I observed a silver plated semi automatic handgun laying on an air mattress in the bedroom. Several bottles and cans of alcohol were observed in a trash can in the living room next to a couch and night stand. Several bottles of medication were observed on the same night stand.

Sgt. Svab conferred with Chief Asst. Prosecutor Kevin Mayer we could search and recover articles of interest with no expectation of 4th amendment search and seizure because the tenant was deceased. The handgun was cleared and revealed to be a CO2 fueled BB gun however was seized because it matched the description from the aggravated menacing prior to the shooting.

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# Investigative Report Supplement

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## Supplement Title: Cell Phone Extraction

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On March 20, 2025 I completed a cell phone extraction on Ware's phone, RPD Tag # 41232.

Upon completion of the extraction, utilizing the "hand scrolling" technique, i located a single text message within the phone that was dated approximately 7 hours priors to this call for service. The message stated "Today probably be my last day". I took a photo of the message and attached it to E Storage. The message was one of only a 3 message chain in which the recipient was listed as "Mic Active". No further information available at this point regarding the message.

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# Investigative Report Supplement

Date: 03/29/2025

Reporting Officer: 413 Alex Wain

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## Supplement Title: Supplement

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On 3/16/2025 I was off duty and was made aware of this incident. I reported to the RPD motorpool and then responded to 645 Hazen Ave. I remained outside the perimeter briefly and I then left the scene to go to UHPMC. After a short time I returned on station and gave a witness, James Graham, a courtesy ride to 448 Myrtle St. I then proceeded back to 645 Hazen Ave during which time I was asked by Sgt. Svab to watch Shawn Ware's apartment at 655 Hazen Ave. Apt. 12. During the time I stood outside the apartment nobody entered to exited it. Once Det. Kaley and Sgt. Svab returned I made entry with them and stood by until they cleared. I then locked the apartment door and turned the keys over to Det. Kaley.

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