

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:	Officer Anthony Pizzi (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 15:07 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Andrew Russell (SA Russell) interviewed Marysville Police Department (MPD) Corporal (Cpl.) Anthony Pizzi (Pizzi). The interview took place at Knox County Sheriff's Office. The interview was audio recorded.

Pizzi 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, Pizzi 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.

Pizzi stated that on August 20, 2022, he was requested by the Delaware Tactical Unit (DTU), to bring his armored vehicle to Knox County to assist the DTU. Pizzi stated that he was the driver, Detective Robert Butterworth (Butterworth), also from MPD, rode in the front passenger seat, and members from various tactical teams were in the rear to include Knox County, DTU, and a Westerville Medic. Pizzi advised he drove up a long driveway towards the residence and staged (parked). Pizzi added Butterworth began to give announcements over the public address system. Pizzi stated that he heard over the radio that another team (possibly Mansfield) was taking fire. Pizzi stated he then observed an unknown male subject open an upstairs window holding a scoped rifle, braced the rifle on the window sill, pointed it at the armored vehicle, and shot out the driver's (his) side window, then shot the passenger side window. Pizzi advised that tactical team members who had exited the vehicle were now getting back into the vehicle as he was backing down the driveway. Pizzi stated he then observed the

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unknown subject in the residence stand up and close the window. Pizzi added that he then saw the right garage door come up and a side-by-side vehicle left the area at a high rate of speed.

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

The interview concluded at approximately 15:22 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 Officer Anthony Pizzi

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