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Officer Involved Critical Incident - 5050 Eastpointe Drive,
Medina, Ohio 44256, Medina County

Investigative Activity: Video Review
Involves: Charles Alexander (S), [REDACTED] (S), Brunswick
Division of Police (O)
Activity Date: 12/12/2024
Activity Location: BCI – Richfield – 4055 Highlander Parkway, Richfield, OH
Authoring Agent: SA Jesse Bynum

Narrative:

On Tuesday, November 26, 2024, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Jesse Bynum (SA Bynum) received video footage from the Brunswick Division of Police (Brunswick). SA Bynum was informed that the videos contained footage from the dash and body cameras recorded by the Brunswick Division of Police.

Brunswick

1. RobertDugan 202411112005 Unit4 96972492
2. RobertDugan 202411112006 WFC1128583 65773315
3. DominickDeMedal 202411112006 Unit1 7624934
4. DominickDeMedal 202411112007 WFC1146365 144024378
5. KevinScullin 202411112006 Unit24 133171209
6. KevinScullin 202411112007 WFC1141163 108191446
7. KyleFlagg 202411112005 Unit25 51027362
8. KyleFlagg 202411112008 WFC1141109 99425019

SA Bynum reviewed the video recordings and noted the following:

Brunswick cruiser videos are separated into two to three views depending on the cruiser. The first view is a forward-facing dash mounted camera. The second view is like the first with the only difference being a wider field of view. The third view is an interior facing camera that faces the rear seat. All views were reviewed in their entirety,

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but due to the nature of the incident, the interior facing cameras did not contain any evidentiary value, so nothing was noted. The wider view for Brunswick Units 1, 4, and 24 contained nothing further than the narrower view noted below. Unit 25 did not have a wide view.

The file "RobertDugan 202411112005 Unit4 96972492" is a video that is 1:13:41 in length and is from a Brunswick Division of Police cruiser Unit 4 being driven by Officer Robert Dugan (Dugan). Audio is not present until the 01:00 mark of the video. At the 00:37 mark of the video, Officer Dugan located the U-Haul in the Scene 75 parking lot located at 3688 Center Rd, Brunswick, Ohio 44212 (Image 1).



(Image 1)

At the 00:57 mark of the video, Officer Dugan activated the overhead lights and then the siren to conduct a traffic stop on the U-Haul (Image 2).



(Image 2)

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At the 01:53 mark of the video, the U-Haul turned right on a red light from the left lane (Image 3).



(Image 3)

At the 03:04 mark of the video, the U-Haul crashed into another Brunswick cruiser (Image 4).



(Image 4)

At the 14:09 mark of the video, the U-Haul's left front rim began to spark while traveling South on Route 71 (Image 5).



(Image 5)

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At the 14:09 mark of the video, the U-Haul parked in the Arby's parking lot (Image 6).



(Image 6)

At the 18:52 mark of the video, a gunshot was heard and police officers on scene identified it as coming from the U-Haul (Image 7).



(Image 7)

At the 20:20 mark of the video, a second gunshot was heard and police officers on scene identified it as coming from the U-Haul (Image 8).



(Image 8)

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At the 55:19 mark of the video, a light (possibly [REDACTED]'s rifle muzzle flash) was observed from the roof of his vehicle (Image 9).



(Image 9)



(Image 9 Zoomed)

At the 55:19 mark of the video, SWAT was observed approaching the U-Haul (Image 10).



(Image 10)

At the 57:02 mark of the video, SWAT was observed opening the rear door of the U-Haul (Image 11).



(Image 11)

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The file "RobertDugan 202411112006 WFC1128583 65773315" is a video that is 57:44 in length and is a body camera assigned to Officer Dugan of Brunswick Division of Police. At the 00:00 mark of the video, Officer Dugan was observed outside of his cruiser while parked behind the U-Haul in the Scene 75 parking lot located at 3688 Center Rd, Brunswick, Ohio 44212 (Image 12).



(Image 12)

At the 17:23 mark of the video, Officer Dugan was observed exiting his cruiser in the Arby's parking lot (Image 13).



(Image 13)

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At the 17:43 mark of the video, a gunshot was heard and Officer Dugan was heard stating that there were shots fired. At the 19:10 mark of the video, a second gunshot was heard. At the 34:19 mark of the video, Officer Dugan was observed approaching other officers closer to 71 and one officer said, "They sent me over here, he has already pointed the gun at the kid, but I see two bodies, there is no way I could shoot." At the 34:39 mark of the video, Image 14 shows the angle the officers were at.



(Image 14)

At the 36:35 mark of the video, two officers were observed on a small hill watching the U-Haul in an attempt to engage Charles Alexander if he exited the U-Haul (Image 15).



(Image 15)

At the 54:37 mark of the video, Officer Dugan approached the passenger side of the U-Haul, while another officer got Oaklynn out of the truck (Image 16). Nothing further of evidentiary value was noted.



(Image 16)

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The file "DominickDeMedal 202411112006 Unit1 7624934" is a video that is 1:00:15 in length and is from a Brunswick Division of Police cruiser Unit 1 being driven by Officer Dominick DeMedal (DeMedal). Audio was not present until the 01:00 mark of the video. At the 02:46 mark of the video, the U-Haul was observed traveling past Officer DeMedal on Center Road (Image 17).



(Image 17)

At the 03:43 mark of the video, Brunswick Officer Flagg was observed deploying spikes successfully at the entrance ramp to 71 South (Image 18).



(Image 18)

At the 18:06 mark of the video, Officer DeMedal was observed parking his cruiser in the Arby's parking lot (Image 19).



(Image 19)

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At the 18:26 mark of the video, a gunshot was heard (Image 20) and an officer was observed crouching behind a cruiser. At the 18:53 mark of the video, a second gunshot was heard.



(Image 20)

At the 54:53 mark of the video, a gunshot was heard and a light (possible muzzle flash) was observed coming from the roof of [REDACTED]'s vehicle (Image 21).



(Image 21)



(Image 21 Zoomed)

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The file "DominickDeMedal 202411112007 WFC1146365 144024378" is a video that is 56:56 in length and is a body camera assigned to Officer DeMedal of Brunswick Division of Police. At the 16:53 mark of the video, Officer DeMedal was observed exiting his cruiser while parked at the Arby's parking lot (Image 22). At the 17:10 mark of the video, a gunshot was heard as Officer DeMedal got to the rear of another cruiser. At the 18:38 mark of the video, a second gunshot was heard.



(Image 22)

At the 54:23 mark of the video, Officer DeMedal approached the U-Haul, and then turned around as other officers cleared it (Image 23). Nothing further of evidentiary value was noted.



(Image 23)

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The file "KevinScullin 202411112006 Unit24 133171209" is a video that is 1:28:01 in length and is from a Brunswick Division of Police cruiser Unit 24 being driven by Sergeant Kevin Scullin (Scullin). Audio was not present until the 01:00 mark of the video. At the 02:06 mark of the video, the U-Haul was observed traveling in front of Sergeant Scullin on Center Rd (Image 24).



(Image 24)

At the 02:20 mark of the video, the U-Haul was observed striking the front right of Sergeant Scullin's cruiser (Image 25).



(Image 25)

At the 03:23 mark of the video, Sergeant Scullin used his cruiser to block the Southbound 71 off ramp, while Brunswick Officer Flagg successfully deployed spikes on Center Rd (Image 26), causing the left front tire to deflate.



(Image 26)

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At the 16:52 mark of the video, Sergeant Scullin was observed parking his cruiser near BW3's parking lot (Image 27). At the 17:05 mark of the video, Sergeant Scullin was observed attempting to deploy spikes in the parking lot Image 28.



(Image 27)



(Image 28)

At the 17:16 mark of the video, the U-Haul driver's side window appeared to be intact due to the glare present (Image 29).



(Image 29)



(Image 29 Zoomed)

At the 18:18 mark of the video, Sergeant Scullin was observed parking his cruiser in the Bob Evan's parking lot (Image 30).



(Image 30)

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At the 19:30 mark of the video, the passenger side door was observed opening slightly (Image 31) before closing again. At the 19:36 mark of the video, a gunshot was heard.



(Image 31)

At the 54:37 mark of the video, a gunshot was heard on the video and then Charles Alexander was observed leaning over (Image 32).



(Image 32)



(Image 32 Zoomed)

At the 55:08 mark of the video, SWAT was observed approaching the U-Haul (Image 33). Nothing further of evidentiary value was noted.



(Image 33)

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The file "KevinScullin 202411112007 WFC1141163 108191446" is a video that is 56:50 in length and is a body camera assigned to Sergeant Scullin of Brunswick Division of Police. At the 16:13 mark of the video, Sergeant Scullin was observed deploying spikes in the BW3's parking lot (Image 34). At the 18:28 mark of the video, Charles Alexander was heard yelling "Stay Back". At the 18:35 mark of the video, a gunshot was heard.



(Image 34)

At the 53:38 mark of the video, a gunshot was heard on the video. Nothing further of evidentiary value was noted.

The file "KyleFlagg 202411112005 Unit25 51027362" is a video that was 58:52 in length and is from a Brunswick Division of Police cruiser Unit 25 being driven by Officer Kyle Flagg (Flagg). Audio is not present for the entire length of the video. At the 02:50 mark of the video, Officer Flagg was observed deploying spikes on Center Road (Image 35).



(Image 35)

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At the 03:54 mark of the video, the U-Haul was observed going over the spikes deployed by Officer Flagg (Image 36).



(Image 36)

At the 06:43 mark of the video, the U-Haul was observed traveling through the rest stop on 71 South (Image 37).



(Image 37)

At the 11:57 mark of the video, the U-Haul was observed going over the spikes deployed by an OSHP Trooper (Image 38).



(Image 38)

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At the 15:25 mark of the video, the U-Haul was observed exiting 71 South onto 18 West (Image 39).



(Image 39)

At the 18:19 mark of the video, the U-Haul was observed coming to a stop in the Arby's parking lot (Image 40).



(Image 40)

At the 47:34 mark of the video, [REDACTED]'s vehicle was observed parking on the offramp (Image 41).



(Image 41)

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At the 54:57 mark of the video, a light (possible muzzle flash) was observed from the rooftop of [REDACTED]'s vehicle (Image 42).



(Image 42)



(Image 42 Zoomed)

At the 55:33 mark of the video, SWAT was observed approaching the U-Haul (Image 43).



(Image 43)

At the 56:50 mark of the video, Officers were observed opening the rear door of the U-Haul (Image 44)



(Image 44)

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The file "KyleFlagg 202411112008 WFC1141109 994250196" is a video that is 56:19 in length and is a body camera assigned to Officer Flagg of Brunswick Division of Police. At the 01:18 mark of the video, Officer Flagg was observed deploying spikes on Center Road (Image 45). At the 18:28 mark of the video, Charles Alexander was heard yelling "Stay Back". At the 18:35 mark of the video, a gunshot was heard.



(Image 45)

At the 15:45 mark of the video, Officer Flagg was observed exiting the cruiser (Image 46). At the 16:03 mark of the video, a gunshot was heard. At the 17:31 mark of the video, a gunshot was heard. At the 52:53 mark of the video, a gunshot was heard.



(Image 46)

At the 53:12 mark of the video, Officer Flagg was observed approaching the opened passenger door of the U-Haul (Image 47). Nothing further of evidentiary value was noted.



(Image 47)

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ADDITIONAL FACTORS FOR EVALUATING THE VIDEO RECORDINGS

There are numerous other factors that need to be considered when reviewing and evaluating the videos and audio recordings of this incident. Those factors are:

A. Video recording devices record within the video and sound capabilities available, and they record objectively. Video recordings lack the history, perspective, and interest of the people involved. The positions, angles, obstacles, lighting, and distance from the incident are also factors that need serious consideration.

B. Video recording devices also record more information about a particular scene or incident than the person(s) involved in the incident can process during the critical incident. Video recording devices rarely record an event from the same perspective of the officer. It captures the action but not the perception, decision making, focus, or intent of the officer. Video recordings often miss tactile cues or other actions of a subject.

C. The speed of the incident is remarkable. The speed and complexity of rapidly evolving situation(s) that occur during use of force encounters are difficult concepts to comprehend by only watching the video.

The video footage was submitted to the physical BCI case file as item Reference Item C - Aviation_Drone_Dash_and_Body_Camera_Video for reference only.

References:

Reference Item C - Aviation_Drone_Dash_and_Body_Camera_Video

Attachments:

1. 2024-11-11 Brunswick Camera Screenshots

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