

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 Ryan Grimshaw (W)

Date of Activity: 08/20/2022

Activity Location: Knox County Sheriffs Office - Business - 11540 Upper Gilchrist

Road, Mt Vernon, OH 43050, Knox County

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Narrative:

On Saturday, August 20, 2022, at 13:38 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Andrew Russell (SA Russell) interviewed Mansfield Police Department (MPD) Officer (Ofc.) Ryan Grimshaw (Grimshaw). The interview took place at Knox County Sheriff's Office. The interview was audio recorded.

Grimshaw 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, Grimshaw 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.

Grimshaw stated that on August 20, 2022, he was working as a member of the Richland County ASORT tactical team, assigned as a containment team member inside their BearCat armored vehicle, sitting on the driver's side, rear seat. Grimshaw stated that his team was assigned to block a vehicle, a Trailblazer, close to the residence and as they drove the BearCat up toward the vehicle in the backyard, he observed two unknown suspects with one holding an AR type rifle, pointing it at the BearCat. Grimshaw stated at that time Lieutenant began giving commands over the armored vehicle's public address system after they entered the residence. Grimshaw advised one of the brothers walked out of the residence and got into the Trailblazer. Grimshaw advised at that point Gerhart drove the BearCat forward, pushing the Trailblazer in an attempt to stop it from going mobile. Grimshaw added, immediately the other unknown suspect began shooting at the BearCat with his AR type rifle from inside the residence. Grimshaw stated that he saw the unknown subject who was in

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the Trailblazer exit it and run into the residence and the shooting stopped until Officer Roose, from the Ontario Police Department, opened the turret and received several rounds of gunfire on it.

Grimshaw advised he saw shoot the tires of the Trailblazer from the BearCat 's port hole in an attempt to disable it after the suspect fled and returned to the residence. Grimshaw added that he had heard from teammates as well as the radio, that the suspects had fled the residence in a side by side, but could not clearly see them from his vantage point inside the BearCat. Grimshaw advised that was the extent of his involvement in this incident.

The interview concluded at approximately 13:49 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 Ryan Grimshaw

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