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Investigative Activity: Meeting with Prosecutor
Involves: Shannon Sterling Sloan (S)
Date of Activity: 10/21/2024
Activity Location: BCI RICHFIELD OFFICE – 4055 Highlander Parkway, Richfield, OH 44286
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Date: 2024-10-21

Case Title: Officer Involved Critical Incident – 223 Durling Dr., Wadsworth, Ohio 44281

Case Number: 2024-1837

Investigative Request

On Tuesday, June 18, 2024, Chief Daniel Chafin of the Wadsworth Police Department requested the assistance of the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation's (BCI) Special Investigations Unit (SIU) and Crime Scene Unit (CSU) in conducting an independent investigation into the facts and circumstances surrounding an officer-involved critical incident. The incident reportedly occurred on Tuesday, June 18, 2024, at 223 Durling Drive, Wadsworth, Ohio 44281 and resulted in the death of Shannon Sterling Sloan.

Preface:

This report serves as a synopsis of the investigation into the Tuesday, June 18, 2024, officer-involved critical shooting incident in Medina County, Ohio. This report only summarizes the information that the investigative team determined to be the most useful in achieving an overall understanding of what occurred in this incident. Every fact and detail is not presented in this summary report. Therefore, it is recommended that each individual report from which this document is derived be read in order to

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obtain a complete understanding of this investigation. Further, audio and/or video recordings exist for the majority of the interviews conducted, revealing further details of statements given regarding the incident.

This investigation was conducted with the purpose of determining, to the extent possible, the facts and circumstances surrounding this incident. As unbiased collectors of fact, the investigative team has not and will not render any opinion of the legality of officers' actions. Instead, it is anticipated that this investigation will provide the basis of information for decisions to be rendered by the appropriate authorities.

Investigative Team

BCI Special Agent Eric Lehnhart (SA Lehnhart) was assigned as the lead SIU case agent. SA Lehnhart received assistance in the investigation from Special Agent John Tingley (SA Tingley), Special Agent Orlando Almonte (SA Almonte), and Special Agent Jack Shea (SA Shea). BCI Special Agent Lurna McClintock (SA McClintock) and Crime Scene Technician Michael Rostocil (CST Rostocil) of the Crime Scene Unit processed the scene of the incident, documenting, preserving, and collecting possible evidence. The investigation was supervised by Special Agent Supervisor Charles "Chuck" Moran. Additionally, various personnel from the BCI crime laboratory performed scientific analyses on submitted items of potential physical evidence.

Summary of Process

The following is a partial list of investigative activities or methods which were employed during the course of this investigation, by the investigative team, in an effort to thoroughly and accurately locate and document all pertinent facts and circumstances regarding this incident:

- Recorded interview(s) of the two (2) officers who discharged their weapons.
- Recorded interviews of two (2) officers who were involved in the incident, at the scene, or otherwise deemed to potentially have relevant information.
- Neighborhood canvass of the area surrounding the scene.
- Interviews of four (4) civilian witnesses to the incident.
- Special agent attendance to postmortem examination (autopsy) of the deceased.
- Obtained and reviewed postmortem examination (autopsy) and toxicology reports.
- Obtained and reviewed police reports of prior law enforcement contacts with the subject.
- Obtained and reviewed open and closed-source biographical information on the involved subjects, to include criminal history reports, OHLEG, driving records, etc.

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- Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) trace on any non-law enforcement weapons involved in the incident (to determine ownership history).
- Review of all available body cameras (BWC) involved in the incident.
- Processing of the scene for potential evidence (photographing, searching, measuring, documenting, and collecting).
- 3D scans / model of incident area.
- Reviewed audio communications on the radio frequencies utilized during the incident.
- Review of 911 / phone communications related to the incident.
- Review of dispatch/CAD records pertaining to the incident.
- Review of the department's reports, photographs, and investigative materials pertaining to the incident, excluding any Garrity statements or information derived from any compelled statement.
- Conducted forensic laboratory examinations to include:
 - Firearm identification testing of involved firearms, casings, and bullets.
 - Firearm operability testing.
 - DNA.
- Collected and reviewed the departmental personnel files of the officers involved in the shooting, to include training and disciplinary records (if any).
- Reviewed firearm qualification and training records for involved officers.
- Verified the Ohio Peace Officer Training Commission (OPOTC) certification status of the officer(s) who discharged their weapons.
- Obtained the department's policies and procedures regarding use of force for prosecutorial review.
- Reviewed EMS records pertaining to their response and the treatment administered.

Incident Summary/Overview

On Tuesday, June 18, 2024, Stacy Sloan and her eighteen (18) year old son were involved in an argument in the residence's driveway, in reference to a "vape pen." Her husband, Shannon Sterling Sloan (Sloan), who had been drinking, intervened in the argument and began "yelling." She turned to Sloan and told him she was tired of the behavior between Sloan and her son.

At 2102 hours, Stacy Sloan was moved to call 911 to report that she was calling from the neighbor's house and Sloan "had a handgun held to his chest and that he was going to shoot himself." As the call continued, Sloan temporarily re-entered the residence before returning to the yard where he sat down in a chair with a holstered weapon.

Wadsworth officers arrived on scene and noticed a neighbor engaged in conversation with Sloan near the rear of the residence. As an officer approached the rear of the

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residence, the neighbor was motioned by officers to move to a place that was safe. [REDACTED] stopped at the corner of the house while [REDACTED] climbed a ladder and was on top of the residence's attached garage.

As [REDACTED] began to communicate with Sloan, he noticed that Sloan appeared to be extremely agitated. Additionally, Sloan had a beer can in one hand and a black firearm lying on his thigh. During the verbal exchange where [REDACTED] was giving commands to Sloan, Sloan picked up the weapon and began to raise it in [REDACTED] s direction. [REDACTED] who was heard by fellow officers, yelled "Don't, no, no, no." [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] fired upon Sloan to stop his threat.

Sloan fell to the ground immediately. Officers on scene advanced towards Sloan, securing his weapon, and immediately began rendering aid to his injuries. Officers continued to care for Sloan until members of the Wadsworth Fire Department arrived on scene. Sloan's injuries were deemed incompatible with life. Dr. McCullough was contacted for medical control advice. Due to Sloan's injuries, Dr. McCullough deemed that no resuscitation effort was warranted.

Decedent

Decedent Shannon Sterling Sloan (Sloan) was a 54-year-old male who previously resided at 223 Durling Drive, Wadsworth, Ohio 44281, with his wife, Stacy. The couple had three (3) children together, Austin, Degan and Hayden, all of which are now adults. He was employed by Bauer & Son's One-Hour Heating & Air-conditioning. Sloan had limited medical history available, but through a statement from his wife, suggested that he suffered from [REDACTED] Sloan had [REDACTED] on his driving history, but [REDACTED] criminal history was reported.

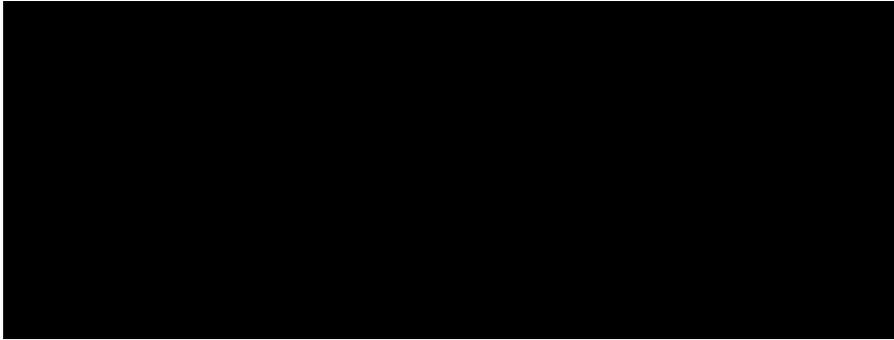
Autopsy Report

The autopsy report for the decedent Shannon Sloan was obtained from the Medina County Coroner's Office. A review of those documents revealed the following information:

[REDACTED]

There were [REDACTED] identified by the Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's Office.

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Physical Evidence

The BCI Crime Scene Unit was requested to respond to the scene of the shooting in order to document and preserve any items of potential evidence. Multiple agents responded and processed the scene, to include photographing and mapping the area, as well as the search for, documentation, and collection of items of possible evidence. Detailed crime scene reports were completed with the below information only summarizing some of the more significant findings.

1. One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM (North side yard)
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3. One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM (North side yard)
4. One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM (North side yard)
5. One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM (North side yard)
6. One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM (Backyard)
7. One (1) Semi-Automatic Pistol – Glock Model 22 Gen4 (.40 Semi-Automatic) Serial Number #XCD741 (Backyard)
8. One (1) Rifle Magazine containing twenty-five (25) Hornady 223 REM Cartridges (backyard)
9. One (1) Black pair of shorts (Backyard)
10. Two (2) Black socks (Backyard)
11. Two (2) Black New Balance Shoes (Backyard)
12. One (1) Natty Daddy 25oz. Beer can (Backyard)
13. One (1) pair of Handcuffs (Backyard)
14. One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM (Roof)
15. One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM (Roof)
16. One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM (Roof)
17. One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM (Roof)
18. One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM (Roof)
19. One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM (North side yard)
20. One (1) Body Holster (Backyard, Under body)
21. One (1) Firearm – Rifle, Black, Palmetto State Armory PA-15 Multi Serial [REDACTED] Red 15 on mag well, with magazine with 24 cartridges, on in chamber, 25 total, recovered from Wadsworth PD (Officer Cody Seiler)

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22. One (1) Firearm – Rifle – Rock River Arms LAR–15 Serial [REDACTED] Red 9 on Mag well, magazine with 18 cartridges 1 in chamber, 19 total (.223) Recovered from Wadsworth PD [REDACTED]
23. One (1) Firearm – Rifle – Palmetto State Armory PA–15 Multi Serial [REDACTED] Red 14 on mag well, caliber .223/5.56, magazine with 24 cartridges, 1 in chamber, 25 total (.223) recovered from Wadsworth PD
24. One (1) Firearm – Rifle – Palmetto State Armory PA–15 Multi, Serial [REDACTED] Red 17 on mag well, Caliber .223/5.56, magazine with 18 cartridges, 1 in chamber, 19 total (.223) recovered from Wadsworth PD [REDACTED]
25. DNA – Items collected from Shannon Sterling Sloan during autopsy at Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's Office
26. One (1) Green t–shirt belonging to Shannon Sloan
27. One (1) Pair of blue underwear belonging to Shannon Sloan
28. One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
29. One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
30. One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
31. One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
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33. One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
34. One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
35. One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
36. One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
37. One (1) Blood stain card from Shannon Sterling Sloan

Various items of potential evidence were submitted to the BCI Laboratory for analysis. The actual reports should be consulted as the following synopsis does not include many of the details from the full reports.

1. Matrix Item 001 – One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM
2. Matrix Item 002 – One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM
3. Matrix Item 003 – One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM
4. Matrix Item 004 – One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM
5. Matrix Item 005 – One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM
6. Matrix Item 006 – One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM
7. Matrix Item 007 – One (1) Semi–Automatic Pistol – Glock Model 22 Gen4 (.40 Semi–Automatic) Serial Number #XCD741
8. Matrix Item 014 – One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM
9. Matrix Item 015 – One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM
10. Matrix Item 016 – One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM
11. Matrix Item 017 – One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM
12. Matrix Item 018 – One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM
13. Matrix Item 019 – One (1) Fired Cartridge Casing – Hornady 223 REM

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14. Matrix Item 022 – One (1) Firearm – Rifle – Rock River Arms LAR–15 Serial [REDACTED] Red 9 on Mag well, magazine with 18 cartridges 1 in chamber, 19 total (.223) Recovered from Wadsworth PD [REDACTED]
15. Matrix Item 024 – One (1) Firearm – Rifle – Palmetto State Armory PA–15 Multi, Serial [REDACTED] Red 17 on mag well, Caliber .223/5.56, magazine with 18 cartridges, 1 in chamber, 19 total (.223) recovered from Wadsworth PD [REDACTED]
16. Matrix Item 028 – One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
17. Matrix Item 029 – One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
18. Matrix Item 030 – One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
19. Matrix Item 031 – One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
20. Matrix Item 032 – One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
21. Matrix Item 033 – One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
22. Matrix Item 034 – One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
23. Matrix Item 035 – One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
24. Matrix Item 036 – One (1) Projectile – Recovered from the body of Shannon Sterling Sloan
25. Matrix Item 037 – One (1) Blood stain card from Shannon Sterling Sloan

The BCI Firearms Section performed an analysis of the officers' firearms, as well as the firearm-related evidence collected from the scene, vehicles, and autopsies (casings and bullets). By comparing evidentiary cartridge casings/projectiles to known standards from each weapon, identifications were able to be made as to which casings/projectiles were fired from each firearm. Of the casings/projectiles recovered, the following identifications were made:

- BCI lab item #7 (Matrix item #7) a Glock model 22 pistol recovered from the backyard at 223 Durling Drive, Wadsworth, OH was found to be operable.
- BCI lab item #14 (Matrix item #22) a Rock River Arms rifle utilized by [REDACTED] during the incident was found to have a source identification to six (6) of the Remington fired cartridge cases.
- BCI lab item #15 (Matrix item #24) a Palmetto State Armory rifle utilized by [REDACTED] during the incident was found to have a source

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identification with lab item #17 (Matrix item #29) a projectile recovered from the left subcutaneous chest of Shannon Sloan during autopsy, as well as lab item #24 (Matrix item #36) a projectile recovered from the right mid-back (inferior) of Shannon Sloan during autopsy.

- The Palmetto State Armory rifle was also found to have a source identification to six (6) of the Remington fired cartridge cases.

Witnesses

Sonia & Timothy O'Dell

On Tuesday, June 18, 2024, Sonia and Timothy O'Dell were at their residence next door to the Sloan's when the doorbell rang. Standing at the door was Stacy Sloan who was on the phone at the time with a 911 Dispatcher. Stacy Sloan was telling the Dispatcher that her husband, Shannon Sloan, was threatening to kill himself and had a gun which he pointed at his chest. Sonia O'Dell asked Timothy to go outside and make contact with Shannon Sloan (Sloan). Timothy O'Dell failed to locate Sloan and returned to his residence. On the second attempt, Timothy O'Dell located Sloan in the backyard sitting in a chair. Sloan was holding a beer and had a firearm at the time.

As officers from Wadsworth Police Department began to arrive, they motioned Timothy O'Dell to return to his residence, which he complied with. While the O'Dell's were making their way back into their residence, Timothy O'Dell stated that he could hear officers tell Sloan to drop his weapon. The O'Dell's both heard four (4) gunshots. When Timothy O'Dell turned around, he could see Sloan fall to the ground. Neither of the O'Dells witnessed the actual shooting. And Sonia O'Dell never saw a weapon.

Timothy O'Dell recalled that when Sloan saw the responding WPD officers, he removed the weapon from its holster, which he was wearing and placed the gun on either his lap or beside him in the chair. Immediately after Sloan fell to the ground, Timothy O'Dell heard officers call for an ambulance and moved in to render aid to Sloan.

Louis & Lisa Hunyadi

The Hunyadi's were home at the time of the incident. Louis Hunyadi stated that he was watching television without his hearing aids in place, when he heard what he thought was "pounding." A brief time later, Lisa mentioned to Louis that something had occurred at a nearby residence. When Louis got up to look outside, he could see officers providing medical aid to someone on the ground.

Louis Hunyadi informed agents that he didn't witness or hear anything related to the incident but did hear what he thought were five (5) gunshots. Lisa Hunyadi declined a separate interview with the investigatory team.

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Tanya lida

Tanya lida (lida) stated that she was watching television and speaking on the phone with her mother and sister until around 1000 hours. lida stated that she did not hear or see anything regarding the incident and did not learn of the incident until the following morning.

Engaged Officer Interviews

The following paragraphs are extremely abbreviated versions of each officer's account of his or her actions pertaining to this incident and/or discharging their weapon. More detailed accounts can be found by reading the separate reports written by the interviewers and by reviewing the recordings of each interview.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] was on station after completing a parade detail when an "all tones" went out over the main Wadsworth Police Department (WPD) radio frequency. A response was requested to 223 Durling Drive, Wadsworth, Ohio for a man with a gun who was intoxicated.

Once on scene, [REDACTED] exited his patrol vehicle, retrieved his patrol rifle and began his approach towards the residence. [REDACTED] recalled seeing [REDACTED] and two (2) women who stated to him that Sloan was in the rear yard with another man who was later identified as a neighbor attempting to talk to Sloan. When the neighbor was spotted by [REDACTED] he ordered the bystander to seek a safer location to be.

As [REDACTED] looked around the corner of the residence, he observed Sloan sitting in a chair in the backyard. As he spoke with Sloan, [REDACTED] noticed that Sloan was agitated, possessed a clinched jaw, and would not make eye contact with officers. Officers became concerned when Sloan made no attempt to move his body or turn towards them while they spoke. [REDACTED] was able to observe a beer can in Sloan's left hand and a black pistol sitting on Sloan's right thigh.

Eventually, Sloan did respond to [REDACTED] by uttering something to the effect of "look I respect you guys, but I'm not going to take any of your shit." Sloan was non-compliant when given commands to put the gun down. Sloan, in turn, looked over his shoulder, tensed up and brought his hands up. According to [REDACTED] Sloan then "rushed to the gun", causing [REDACTED] to yell out "no don't, don't do that." [REDACTED] fired on Sloan as he grabbed the weapon and raised it. Sloan immediately fell to the ground.

[REDACTED] along with Officer Seiler approached Sloan and secured him with restraints. Once the immediate area was safe for officers, restraints were removed and

medical aid was provided to Sloan.

██████████ described Sloan's actions as "purposeful" and believed he was approximately 30 – 40 feet away from Sloan at the time he fired his patrol rifle. ██████████ did not believe he had any other option than to fire his patrol rifle towards Sloan.

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██████████ got into the passenger side of the vehicle that was being driven by ██████████. Upon exiting the vehicle, ██████████ grabbed his patrol rifle and a "go bag" that contained an additional ammunition magazine and medical supplies.

As he approached the front of the residence, he recalled seeing two (2) women near the front of the home. One of the women pointed down the side of the house and said, "yup that's him." ██████████ observed a white male, wearing a green shirt, and holding something black, standing in the backyard of the residence. ██████████ believed the black item to be a handgun. Once the officers were discovered by Sloan, he moved further behind the residence, causing officers to split up with the hope of keeping him from leaving the property.

██████████ and ██████████ moved towards the other side of the residence. Once there, they discovered an attached garage. With the concern of being in each other's sight lines, ██████████ made the decision to climb up on top of the garage roof with the aid of a nearby ladder.

While on the roof ██████████ initially described the situation as calm, and he could hear ██████████ speaking to Sloan. ██████████ was able to get into a position to see Sloan's back but was unable to see his right hand. He continued to hear ██████████ giving commands to Sloan to "put the gun down", to which Sloan replied, "if you're not putting your gun down, I'm not putting my gun down."

The situation was quiet for a few seconds when ██████████ recalled hearing ██████████ shout "sir, no, no, no, drop it." ██████████ observed Sloan shift in his chair, raise his right elbow, and begin to turn towards ██████████. ██████████ heard two (2) gunshots and fired on Sloan. He was unsure who or where the gunfire was coming from.

When the shooting stopped, ██████████ maintained his position as the cover

officer while [REDACTED] approached Sloan. From his position on the roof, he could see a black handgun lying on the ground near Sloan.

[REDACTED] came down from the roof to assist other officers in providing aid to Sloan while waiting for the Wadsworth Fire Department.

Dispatch-Related Information

Wadsworth Police Department CAD Reports

The WPD provided two CAD reports. One was for the police department, and one was for the fire department. The reports documented the times and personnel assigned to the calls. The police department CAD Report was identified as "Call ID" 2241700062. The date of the call was 06/18/24, and the time entered was 21:02:34 hours. The call type was listed as "Report", and the location was 223 Durling Drive. The caller was listed as Stacy Sloane [incorrect spelling], phone number [REDACTED]

The fire department CAD Report was identified as "Call ID" 2241700063. The date of the call was 06/18/24 and the time was 21:09:33 hours. The call type was Shooting (EMS) and the location was 223 Durling Drive.

Audio Recorded Dispatch and 911 Call and Transcription

There was one recording of the 911 call and a transcript. The recording was 6 minutes and 47 seconds long (0:06:47) and titled:

- 7_9_1_1_Dispatch_1_2024_06_18_21_01_12_by_Source_Name_asc.

Dispatcher: "911, where is your emergency?"

Stacy Sloan: "223 Durling Drive."

Dispatcher: "what is going on?"

Stacy Sloan: "my husband has a gun to his chest, and he is going to shoot himself."

Stacy Sloan: "don't go back there...his gun is loaded." (Directed toward neighbor)

Audio Recorded Police Radio Traffic

There was one copy of the recorded radio traffic that included 36 radio transmissions. Transmissions came from the "Police Main" channel, and each transmission was stored in a separate WAV file, each titled with the date. Two text documents were also provided with the recordings. These documents contained identifying data for each of

the recorded radio transmissions. After review, it was determined that the documents contained the same information in different formats. Only one of the documents was reviewed for this report. Titled 2-CDR (Text Document).

SA Fletcher reviewed each of the recorded radio transmissions and the associated data. The table below contains the radio data and content of the radio traffic for the transmissions believed to be most relevant to the actual shooting incident. Multiple transmissions have more than one officer and/or dispatcher speaking. When necessary, the time stamp for the relevant portion of the recorded transmission was included. Original data received only listed the Radio ID of the first officer to initiate radio traffic in each transmission. Further data was requested and received for Radio IDs of all units involved.

1. "Attention all Wadsworth units, I have a subject at 223 Durling Drive, in the backyard, he has a code 40 aimed towards himself saying that he's going to code 16 himself. His half unit has ran next door. Subject's name is going to be a Shannon Sloan. Stand by for further".
2. Dispatch – "Wadsworth, further information, he's code 24. It's gonna be a handgun. My callers at the neighbors and cannot see him, does not know if he would've gone back inside the house at 223 Durling. Standby. Feke – [Sirens in background] Wadsworth to all units, do not pull onto Durling, we're going to stay on broad street and keep distance. Do we have any drones [unintelligible] in the area?"
3. Petit – (begin at 00:00:30) "Kay, be advised this property backs up to the uh YMCA. Dispatch – My caller believes he went back inside the house. He should be the only one in there other than three cats. Petit – Let's get two units at the uh High School property near uh the front entrance to the High School. Potter – 42 and 19 are en route there".
4. Seiler – [Background noise] "Can you re-advise the address?" Petit – "It's 223 Durling."
5. "Subject's going to be negative. He has made threats like this in the past using the 40. [break] He is now sitting in a chair in the backyard with a holster, standby for further."
6. (Begin at 00:00:12) [background noise] "█ got four, we're approaching the house." (Begin at 00:00:29) "99 traffic" [radio tone]
7. "Subject is, uh, got a green shirt, black shorts, shoes, black socks."

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8. (Begin at 00:00:15) "99 traffic, I'm talking to him."
9. Seiler - "Shots fired." ██████████ - "Shots fired, shots fired." Feke - "Start EMS." ██████████ - "Officers are okay, we need a squad, male multiple gunshot wounds to the chest." Dispatch - "We got ya."
10. ██████████ - "██████ Wadsworth." Dispatch - "██████ go ahead." ██████████ - "Subject at this time still has a pulse, stagnate breathing, three-gun shots uh to the chest. [Unintelligible] chest seal applied to the right side."

The transmissions not included in the table above contained radio traffic from other responding officers and supervisors. The content of those radio transmissions included information related to responding back-up officers and the management of the critical incident after the shooting occurred.

Mobile Data Terminals (MDT) Records

Mobile Data Terminal (MDT) Chat Logs from Tuesday, June 18, 2024 indicated that messages exchanged from officers were prior to and were unrelated to the Sloan incident.

Video Recordings

Officer Cody Seiler

On September 19, 2024, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Chuck Moran began reviewing a body-worn camera (BWC) video file for this case.

SAS Moran located one BWC video file on the SIU shared drive in the Reference Item A folder for Wadsworth Police Department (WPD) Officer Cody Seiler. It was labeled:

1. 34 BWC -WN61B10264_837_06182024210320

SAS Moran made a working copy of the video and placed it in a folder. The working copy of the video was used for the review.

SAS Moran imported the video into Amped Replay for review.

Review of Video File Labeled, "34 BWC -WN61B10264_837_06182024210320"

SAS Moran reviewed the video file labeled, "34 BWC - WN61B10264_837_06182024210320" and noted the following:

- The BWC was affixed to Officer Seiler.

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- The video-embedded timestamp start time was 09:03:42 PM.
- The video-embedded timestamp end time was 09:19:34 PM.

The following frames were bookmarked as images in Amped Replay and the activity and content were noted:

All of the frames referenced in the original report were bookmarked as images in Amped Replay. The bookmarked images were exported to the "Derivatives and Report" folder in Reference Item F.

An Amped Replay report was generated for the video review and the bookmarked images. It was exported to the "Derivatives and Report" folder in Reference Item F. Please refer to that report for further details.

The Amped Replay project file was placed in the "Working Copy" folder in Reference Item F. All of the above-mentioned files were placed in a folder labeled, "Amped Replay Review - 24-1837 REF Item F - ██████████ BWC Video" and were copied to a DVD. The DVD was included in Reference Item F in the physical BCI case file.

Conclusion

On Tuesday, June 18, 2024, Stacy Sloan contacted the Wadsworth Police Department (WPD) to report that her husband, Shannon Sterling Sloan, had been drinking and was holding a weapon to his chest, threatening to shoot himself. This behavior started after the two were arguing over the handling of an incident involving their youngest son.

While officers responded, a next-door neighbor attempted to speak with Sloan, who was in his backyard. Sloan provided no meaningful dialog with the neighbors' attempt to help. As officers arrived, the neighbor was motioned to retreat to his residence for safety reasons. Officers established positions on the corner of the residence and on top of the garage roof. During a brief period of communication between Sloan and responding officers, Sloan appeared agitated and only muttered a few sentences towards officers.

Although he was given commands to drop his weapon, Sloan grabbed and raised his Glock Model 22 Gen4 (.40 Semi-Automatic) pistol from its resting place on or near his right thigh, and according to ██████████ pointed it in the direction of ██████████. Both ██████████ and ██████████ fired their weapons towards Sloan, ultimately striking him and causing him to fall to the ground. A radio call to the communication center by ██████████ resulted in a response by the Wadsworth Fire Department (WFD). Once on scene, WFD made contact with medical control who deemed that no resuscitation effort was warranted. Sloan was then pronounced deceased on scene.

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Contact Information

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