Investigative Report

2021-1772
Officer Involved Critical Incident - 300 Wood Street Apt. A8, Mansfield,

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Involves: James Haynes
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Investigative Request

On Thursday, July 29, 2021, the Mansfield 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 shooting incident. The incident reportedly occurred on July 29, 2021, in the area of 300 Wood Street, Mansfield, Ohio, and resulted in the death of James Haynes

Preface:

This report serves as a synopsis of the investigation into the July 29, 2021, officer-involved shooting in Mansfield, Richland 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 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.
Overview

James Haynes (Haynes) and Jaron Von Ginn (Ginn) met a few days prior to the July 29, 2021 shooting, and according to Ginn, “We were more than just regular friends, in some ways.”

On July 29, 2021, Haynes and Ginn walked to a residence on Mulberry Street to “get a little bag of weed.” Afterword, Haynes told Ginn that, “I got us a cab” and that they were going to John Black’s residence, 300 Wood Street, Apartment A-8.

Haynes and Ginn were then transported to 300 Wood Street by Laconya Williams (Williams), a cab driver for TNT Taxi. Upon arrival, Williams was informed by Haynes and Gin that they did not have the money for the $5 cab fare.

Haynes and Ginn exited the cab and made contact with John Black (Black) inside of his apartment and asked him for the $5 so they could pay the cab fare. Black stated he did not have $5 and asked Ginn where his car was at. Ginn advised that he allowed an individual to borrow it. Black then told Ginn to use his phone and call the individual who has his car and tell the individual to bring the car back.

According to Black, Ginn turned away to use Black’s phone, and Black was at his kitchen sink preparing some ground beef. At this point, Black stated that Haynes came up beside him and said, “I’m going to slice someone’s face up.” Black replied, “Who?” Black stated that Haynes then walked away from him and stood next to Ginn. Black later stated that Haynes also told him that “He [Haynes] was going to die tonight.” Black stated that he had just woken up and was confused by Haynes’ statement. Black stated he wanted to deal with the cab situation because he did not want the police to be called to his apartment. Black explained that it is well known that if the police get called to your apartment, you will get evicted.

Black then left the apartment to speak with Williams. It was reported by Ginn, that Haynes locked the apartment door behind Black and accused Ginn of being an informant. According to Ginn, Haynes then headbutted him and started cutting and stabbing Ginn with a knife.

Officer Clay Blair (Blair) and Officer Marks Boggs (Boggs) were in the parking lot of 300 Wood Street and heard Ginn yelling for help. Both officers proceeded to the area of apartment A-8, where the yelling was coming from.

Ginn stated that during the attack, Haynes walked over to the front door, opened it and walked outside. Ginn stated that he then got up and locked the door behind Haynes. When Haynes was outside, he made contact with Officer Blair and Officer Boggs, who were outside of the
apartment. It was reported that Haynes was holding a knife. Haynes then attempted to re-enter the apartment through the door but was unable to do so because Ginn had locked the door.

It was reported that Haynes began walking toward officers and then stopped in front of the apartment window. Haynes then began to break out that window. Officer Boggs deployed his Taser, which reportedly had no effect. Haynes then attempted to enter the apartment through the window he had just broken out, still armed with the knife. It was also reported that officers could still hear Ginn yelling for help.

As Haynes was attempting to re-enter the apartment through the window, Officer Blair discharged his firearm. Haynes managed to enter the apartment through the broken window. Both officers forced entry into the apartment through the front door and encountered Haynes, who reportedly was still holding a knife. Both Officer Blair and Officer Boggs discharged their firearms inside of the apartment, striking Haynes.

Both Haynes and Ginn were transported to the hospital. Haynes died as a result from his injuries and Ginn was treated for multiple stab wounds.

Officer Blair and Officer Boggs were originally dispatched to the area of 300 Wood Street for a 911 hang up/open line. It is believed, based on a search of Haynes’ cellular phone, that he was the one who called 911 and left the line open.

**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 officers who discharged their weapons
- Neighborhood canvass of the area surrounding the scene
- Recorded interview(s) of the involved subject and other subjects directly involved in the incident
- Interviews of two civilian witnesses to the incident
- Obtained and reviewed post mortem 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.
- FBI National Crime Information Center (NCIC) checks on any non-law enforcement weapons involved in the incident (to determine if reported stolen)
- Review of all available dash cameras involved in the incident

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- 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
- Obtained search warrants for the subject’s phone and performed an analysis of the data present
- Conducted forensic laboratory examinations to include:
  1. Firearm identification testing of involved firearms, casings and bullets
  2. Firearm operability testing
  3. Fingerprint analysis
  4. DNA
- Obtained search warrant and consent to analyze electronic evidence, to include:
  1. Cellular phones (Search Warrant)
  2. Electronic Control Device (e.g. Taser) (Consent)
- Reviewed data obtained from aforementioned items of electronic evidence
- 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 medical records of those injured, obtained through search warrant
- Reviewed tips, social media posts and pertinent statements made in the media regarding the incident
Witnesses

Laconya Williams

Laconya Williams is a cab driver working for TNT Taxi. On July 29, 2021, Williams received a call to pick someone up and transport them to 248 Wood Street. Williams advised the charge for the fare was $5.

Williams explained she picked up two individuals (later identified as James Haynes and Jaron Ginn) on Mulberry Street and began to transport them to Wood Street. Williams described the two individuals as “strange.” Williams further explained that her son does not feel safe that Williams is a cab driver; because of this, Williams will often times give her son the address that she is going to, via text message, so he can check the address beforehand. Williams stated, in this circumstance, she gave her son the address (248 Wood Street) and her son advised that the address did not exist.

Williams stated, once she learned that information, she asked the individuals where they were going. Williams stated the individuals told her to take them up the street. Williams stated, at some point, she passed a police officer who was sitting in his vehicle and she made eye contact with that officer.

Williams advised that she eventually stopped at 300 Wood Street and then pulled into the parking lot. Williams advised that she told the individuals to exit the cab and the fare was $5. The individuals then told Williams they would be right back with the fare.

The individuals did eventually exit the cab and went to apartment A-8. Williams stated the “skinny one” [Haynes] exited the apartment and came back down. According to Williams, the individual stated that he would be right back and that he was “making a phone call.” Williams advised that the individual then stated that he did not have the money and asked if he could work something out with Williams for the fare. According to Williams, the individual stated he did not want her to call the police.

Williams stated that she told the individual that her boss was not going to like this and that they should not have called for a cab if they did not have the fare. Williams advised that she told the individual, “Let me see what I can do.”

Williams stated, “So I kind of calmed them down because they were trying to get back into my vehicle, so I locked the doors as I was speaking with them.” Williams stated she called her boss and told him that he needed to come down and deal with the individuals. Williams stated the “skinny one” was walking around the apartment building, at which point she attempted to call...
911. Williams stated she observed the individual with money in his hand and then put the money in his pocket and began walking toward Williams’ cab.

Williams stated she had a gun in her vehicle, and at this point, she loaded it. When the individual approached her cab, Williams stated she looked at him and said, “Hey, I don’t know what’s going on, but you’re going to have to work it out with the police because I’m gonna leave and I’m gonna call them back to the location.”

Williams stated the individual stated, “No, don’t do that, no, don’t do that,” and then ran back up the apartment building stairs. Williams stated the “heavy set one” was already in there (apartment A-8). According to Williams, “The heavy-set guy got stabbed, they were in there arguing or something.”

Williams stated that she talked to her son who asked where she was and Williams advised 300 Wood Street. Williams stated her son told her that he was going to call the police.

Around this time, a Mansfield Police officer pulled into the parking lot. Williams stated that she got the officer’s attention. According to Williams, she told the officer about the two individuals who did not pay their cab fare. Williams stated the officer asked which apartment and Williams replied, “A-8.” Williams stated that she also gave a description of the individuals to the officer. Williams stated the officer told her that he was going to try and make contact with the individuals.

Williams explained that the officer then began to walk up the apartment complex stairs to apartment A-8. Around this time, another officer pulled in, and Williams stated she told that officer that the other officer was walking up the apartment complex stairs.

Williams advised that both officers climbed the stairs and arrived on the landing near the apartment. According to Williams, the officers knocked on the door and said, “Mansfield Police, can you come out.” Williams explained, because she was in her car, she could not hear what was going on inside the apartment, but Williams stated she knew “they were in there.” According to Williams, the officer knocked again and said, “Mansfield Police.”

According to Williams, the officers knocked again and said, “Mansfield Police Department, come out.” Williams then stated, “He comes out, he’s got a knife in his hand, dripping blood, he’s got a white shirt on, the shirt is all bloody, you can tell whatever happened in the apartment that he was responsible for what was going on because he had blood all over his hands. So, he like ‘drop the knife, drop the knife,’ he said, ‘Sir I’m telling you to drop the knife,’ so they backen back, he steady approaching them, and he is like getting angry with them. So, I’m like oh my god, you know am I really seeing what I’m seeing, is he really running up on the police with a knife.”
Williams stated before she could even blink her eyes, the individual took his arm/elbow and broke the apartment window out. Williams continued, “and he burst the apartment window out and the police officer told him ‘hey, you know, stop and -inaudible-‘ didn’t want to. He end up shooting him. He falls into the apartment window, the one he burst.”

Williams stated she could not tell if the individual fell into the apartment through the window or if the individual pulled himself through. Williams stated that once the individual went into the apartment through the window, the officers again knocked on the door and stated, “Mansfield Police Department.” Williams stated that one officer then kicked in the door and said, “Drop it, right now, drop it right now.” Williams continued, “And I guess he is still holding the weapon or he is still in there attempting to stab this gentleman that he was with and that’s when I heard like, 5, 6 shots.”

Williams explained she concluded that the skinner individual stabbed the heavier set individual because the skinner individual exited the apartment with a knife and had blood on him. Williams also stated that she could hear some screaming coming from inside of the apartment.

It should be noted that during the interview, Williams did contradict herself on a minor statement. Williams initially stated that officers knocked on the door of apartment A-8 numerous times before the individual exited the apartment with the knife. Later in the interview, Williams stated the officers did not completely make it up the stairs when the individual exited the apartment with the knife.

John Black

John Black resides at 300 Wood Street, Apartment A-8, Mansfield Ohio. Black advised on July 29, 2021, he was home, had just woke up and was going to make something to eat when he heard a knock at the door. Black stated he believed the person at his door was named Aaron (James Aaron Haynes).

Black stated that Haynes asked him for $5. Black advised Haynes that he did not have $5 and that he does not get paid until tomorrow. According to Black, Haynes then said, “Your friend is coming up.” Black responded, “Who?” Black stated the next thing he knew, “Von” [Jaron Von Ginn] (Ginn) walked through the door.

Black stated that Ginn stated, “Uncle John, do you have $5?” Black, once again, stated that he did not have it. Black then asked Ginn where his car was at. According to Black, Ginn had told him that he allowed someone to use it. Ginn then informed Black that they took a cab to his apartment. Black then said, “Let me go out and talk to the lady [cab driver].” While on his way
Black advised that when he exited his apartment, he noticed that there were police officers already on scene. Black advised he told the cab driver, “they’re friends of my sister, and they came here and asked me for $5, I said I don’t have it but I can pay it tomorrow.”

Black advised he then heard Ginn yelling, “Help, help.” Black described Ginn as heavier set and Haynes as skinny. At this point, Black advised that he needed to back up and provide additional prior details.

Black explained that when he was in his apartment with Haynes and Ginn, he told Ginn to use his phone to call the individual who had Ginn’s car so Ginn could get it back. Black further explained that Ginn turned away to use Black’s phone and Black was at his kitchen sink preparing some ground beef. At this point, Black stated that Haynes came up beside him and said, “I’m going to slice someone’s face up.” Black replied, “Who?” Black stated that Haynes then walked away from him and stood next to Ginn. Black later stated that Haynes also told him that “He [Haynes] was going to die tonight.”

Black stated that he had just woken up and was confused by Haynes’ statement. Black stated he wanted to deal with the cab situation because he did not want the police to be called to his apartment. Black explained that it is well known that if the police get called to your apartment, you will get evicted. Black then stated he walked outside.

Black stated that he then made contact with the cab driver when he heard Ginn yell, “Help, help.” A minute or two later, Haynes exited the apartment door holding a knife with blood on it. Black also stated that Haynes’ shirt was torn (and it was not torn before).

Black stated the two officers who were already on scene ran past him and ran up the stairs. Black explained that Haynes then attempted to get back into the apartment through the front door but could not get back in. (Black stated that Ginn had locked Haynes out of the apartment.) At this point, the officers reached the top of the stairs. Black advised that Haynes began to walk toward the officers and stopped in front of Black’s apartment window. Black stated that the officers told Haynes to “Drop the knife, drop the knife.” Haynes then began to hit the apartment window with his elbow, at which point an officer fired a Taser. According to Black, the Taser “didn’t faze the guy at all.” Black stated that Haynes hit the window twice and then put his shoulder “into it.”

Black stated, “When the officers saw the glass give and trying to get in, that’s when they said shoot.” Black stated that one officer then fired his gun but did he did not know how many shots were fired. Black further stated, “The black officer had his gun out. The white officer had his

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Taser out, and I’m pretty sure the white officer said shoot because the Tase wasn’t fazing him.”

Black then stated that Haynes went into the apartment through the window.

SA Momchilov asked Black how far away the officers were from Haynes when they fired. Black estimated 15 feet. SA Momchilov asked Black if Haynes was still walking toward the officers when they fired. Black replied, “No.” Black stated he felt that Haynes was trying to get back into the apartment to “take Von [Ginn] out.”

Black was asked to describe the knife that Haynes had. Black stated he believed the knife was his kitchen knife and it was a “saw cutting knife” with “ridges on it.” (It was later determined that Haynes probably did not use one of Black’s knives, and that Haynes likely brought the knife with him.)

Black stated that he met Ginn through his sister, and that Ginn and Black’s sister were together earlier in the day. Black stated that his sister was also at Black’s apartment earlier but she ended up leaving. Black stated he believed that Ginn and Haynes came to his apartment because they thought that Black’s sister was there.

SA Momchilov asked Black how long he knew Haynes for. Black advised that he knew his dad, and Haynes would come from Milwaukee to visit and then went back. Black stated that he never really knew Haynes personally and described him more as an acquaintance.

Black explained that Haynes was in prison and on social security. After Haynes was released from prison, he did not have anywhere to go and stayed from house to house. Black also advised that awhile back, he allowed Haynes to stay at his apartment for one night. Black stated that Haynes was acting violent and was acting like a “tough guy” during his stay, so Black had to kick him out.

SA Momchilov asked Black if he knew that Haynes and Ginn knew each other. Black stated that Haynes and Ginn really just met five days ago. Black then stated, “Von is gay, Aaron was in prison, Aaron don’t got nowhere to go, Von got a car, Von lives in Columbus.” Black stated that he believed that Haynes and Ginn ended up having a “relationship.”

SA Momchilov asked Black if he had ever seen Haynes and Ginn together prior to today. Black stated, five days ago, Haynes and Ginn met each other at Black’s apartment. Black stated, five days ago, Ginn came to his apartment with Black’s sister. Haynes stopped by Black’s apartment looking for a ride. Black stated he had not seen Haynes or Black since. Black also confirmed that no one else was in his apartment during this incident.
Jaron Ginn

Jaron Ginn received serious injuries as a result of being stabbed by James Haynes. Ginn was interviewed at OhioHealth Hospital on July 30, 2021.

Ginn explained that on the day of the incident, he was with an individual named James Haynes (Haynes). Ginn advised that he met Haynes a few days prior through a friend. Ginn advised that he and Haynes were driving around in Ginn’s mother’s Nissan Rogue looking for open Wi-Fi networks to use.

Ginn then advised that a “friend” of his needed to go somewhere, so the friend paid Ginn to borrow the Nissan Rogue. Ginn stated the car was supposed to be returned at 1:00 PM on July 29, 2021. Ginn advised it was getting later in the day, well past when the car was to be returned, so he and Haynes decided “to walk to where dude’s mom lives,” so they could have the mom call the individual who had the vehicle. Ginn stated the mom was not home, so they decided to call “this white guy, a mutual friend” to have him call the individual who had the car and “persuade him that, um, he had some money to…to spend.” The individual who had the car did not answer, so Ginn and Haynes decided to walk to Mulberry Street to “get a little bag of weed.”

Ginn stated once on Mulberry Street, they “got the weed,” and Ginn was able to connect to the Wi-Fi so he could make a phone call. Ginn stated he called the individual who had the car but did not get an answer. After the phone call, Ginn stated the individual who had his phone began texting him saying, “Yeah, I’ll be there,” but never showed up.

Ginn stated, at this point, he was breathing hard and sweating and advised Haynes that he needed a minute to catch his breath. Ginn then stated that Haynes told him, “I got us a cab.” According to Ginn, he asked where they were going. Haynes responded, “Where Boone [John Black] lives.” Ginn advised they entered the taxi, which he described as a small SUV, and traveled to 300 Wood Street. Ginn advised when they arrived at 300 Wood Street, the cab driver advised that the fare was $5. According to Ginn, Haynes said to the cab driver, “Okay, baby, stay here and, uh, I’ll go get the $5 and bring it back out to ya.” Ginn stated he immediately got out because he “knew somethin’ wasn’t right when he did that.” Ginn continued, “I’m just gonna go ahead and go down there and talk to her, let her know what happened, we ain’t go it. And, uh, that’s what I did. So, I said, look, we thought it was paid for, yada, yada, what can we do to move past this.”

Ginn stated he knew that the cab driver or “somebody” was calling the police, so Ginn and Haynes decided to walk up to John Black’s (Black) apartment and knocked on the door. According to Ginn, Black let them into the apartment and they asked Black for $5. Black replied that he did not have $5.
Ginn advised that Black then went downstairs to speak with the cab driver. At this point, Ginn stated he is sitting on the couch inside of the apartment and Haynes is standing in the doorway. Ginn stated that Haynes watched Black and the cab driver talk for approximately 60 seconds and then shut and locked the apartment door. Ginn then advised that Haynes came over to him and said, “I wanna talk to you.” Haynes then said, “I have reason to believe you’re the police.” Ginn stated he replied, “Haha, yeah, yeah, whatever.”

Ginn then stated, “But, honestly, something made him believe that I was, uh, like a C.I. (Confidential Information) or the police.” Ginn continued, “I said, ‘no, -inaudible- talking ‘bout,’ you know, we’re doing some of the same illegal activities, allegedly, and uh, so he’s standing over top of me, I’m thinking he just….because in some ways, we were, um, we were more than just regular friends, in some ways.”

Ginn stated, “Before I knew it, he’s like, somethin’ about the police and he, he, he’s got his arms held -inaudible- he’s gonna hit me, he head butts me, I mean head-buts me really well. I let go of his arms and there we are, I’m on the couch, he’s standing over top of me, exchanging blows, except he’s got his knife, he starts cutting me, stabbing me, I couldn’t believe it, couldn’t believe it.” Ginn described the knife as, “the one that clicks and it’s turquoise, tie-dye, makes it purple and gold.”

Ginn continues, “As I’m getting sliced and stabbed and cut and, and, some type of way, he stumbled and I took my opportunity then to get hold of his leg, grab him down to the floor.” Ginn advised that he thought he was going to die.

Ginn continues, “So, he gets tired, he gets up, goes to the door, opens the door, stands outside of the door, and I could see the screen doors open. I shot up right off my behind, went over there, and -inaudible- here Boone is still talkin’ to the lady. I mean, in the longest, loudest, I mean, I wanted the, the -inaudible- to hear me, I said, help.”

Ginn stated he made it to the door, screamed help and then shut and locked the door. Ginn advised, at this point, the police were there but did not know this [the stabbing] had happened.

At this point, Haynes is outside of the apartment. Ginn stated, “So, some type of way, he broke that -inaudible- glass and I said, oh my god, I’m really gonna die. I start running to the closet and, uh, tried to lock myself in, but so much stupid, stupid crap in there. I couldn’t even do that, I just said, Jesus, before I knew it, all you heard was, pow, pow, pop, pop, pop. “

Ginn continued, “The glass breaks, I see it shatter, It’s almost as if he’s trying to get back in.” Ginn stated he felt like the gunshots started before Haynes got back into the apartment.
Ginn advised that the closet he tried to lock himself in was in the kitchen area and described the area as a cul-de-sac. Ginn advised, “I went low and I couldn’t see nothing, but I heard about four or five gunshots.” SA Momchilov asked Ginn if he heard the officers say anything. Ginn stated, “I heard them say ‘Mansfield Police, put your hands up.’”

SA Momchilov stated, “So, would it be fair to say, that once the officers came inside, you didn’t see, you didn’t see anything, you were, you said you were tucked down?” Ginn advised that was correct and he was focused more on what had happened to him.

Ginn reiterated that he only met Haynes a few days ago and they met through a friend. SA Momchilov asked if he had ever seen Haynes act like this before. Ginn stated, “No, but I wouldn’t put it past him.” Ginn stated a few days ago, he stole a girl’s car and planned on selling the car at a chop shop for $800 and that he wanted to leave town.

Ginn had previously told investigators that he lives in Westerville. SA Momchilov asked Ginn what he was doing in Mansfield. Ginn replied, “What brought me up to Mansfield was, um, um, I am an addict and, uh, it’s good that I don’t know where some of those things are in Columbus. That’s a lot of the reasons why I moved, however, I got tempted, and I had some money, had some, full gas tank.”

SA Momchilov asked Ginn if Haynes was under the influence when this incident occurred. Ginn responded, “Yes, weed.”

**Officer Interviews**

**Officer Clay Blair**

During Officer Clay Blair’s interview with investigators, Officer Blair provided a typed statement. The following are excerpts from Officer Blair’s statement:

I was dispatched to 300 Wood Street, in reference to a 911 hangup call. I was dispatched with Patrol Officer Boggs who was in his own cruiser. When I arrived on scene, I observed Officer Boggs talking to an individual in a red SUV. I exited my cruiser and proceeded to clear the original call after I spoke to a female in Apt. A1 who advised she did not call 911 and that everything in her residence was okay.

I then proceeded to speak to Officer Boggs in the parking area which was underneath Apt. A-8. I heard someone screaming for help very loudly. Officer Boggs and I proceeded up the stairs from where the cries for help were coming. It was upstairs that Officer Boggs
and I made contact with a black male, later identified as Jaymes (sic) Hayes (sic). Mr. Hayes (sic) was wearing a white shirt that was ripped and bloody and he was carrying a bloody knife with bloody hands. Both Officer Boggs and I gave several commands for Mr. Hayes (sic) to put the knife down but he refused to do so. Mr. Hayes (sic) who was in the walkway outside Apt. A-8 began to break out the glass in the front window of Apt. Officer Boggs pulled out his Taser and deployed two cartridges, but neither cartridge had any effect on Mr. Hayes (sic).

When I first encountered Mr. Hayes (sic), he was coming out of the door of Apt. A-8 onto the walkway and had pulled the door shut behind him. Because he had a bloody knife in his hand, and I had heard screams for help from inside Apt. A-8, I drew my duty weapon with my right hand. Mr. Hayes (sic) was not complying with the commands which Officer Boggs and I gave him to drop the knife. Instead, he was attempting to re-enter Apt. A-8 through the broken window. Inside the apartment, I could hear cries for help from a male inside, later identified as Jaron Ginn. I observed that the deployment of the Taser cartridges had had no effect on Mr. Hayes (sic) who was clearly reentering the apartment where I believed he had used his knife to stab Mr. Ginn inside the apartment.

After Officer Boggs' deployment of the Taser cartridges failed, I recall Officer Boggs telling me to "Shoot!" I made my own decision to fire my weapon at Mr. Hayes (sic) in order to stop him from re-entering the apartment through the broken window where I believed that Mr. Ginn faced an immediate threat to his life and physical safety from Mr. Hayes (sic). I fired several rounds at Mr. Hayes (sic). My aim was towards his torso (center mass). My backdrop in firing the rounds at Mr. Hayes (sic) was the walkway and exterior of the apartment. There were no individuals present in the backdrop area.

Mr. Hayes (sic) entered the apartment through the window. Officer Boggs and I then ran to the door of Apt. A-8. Officer Boggs kicked open the door. Both Officer Boggs and I yelled "Mansfield Police" as he kicked open the door. Officer Boggs and I entered the apartment and I immediately went to Mr. Ginn. I asked him where he had been stabbed and he told me, "everywhere." I asked Mr. Ginn to show me his hands which he did. I could see blood coming from his chest area.

As I was attending to Mr. Ginn, I saw that Mr. Hayes (sic) appeared at the doorway to a room East of the living room. Mr. Hayes (sic) had the same knife in his hand. Mr. Hayes (sic) immediately charged at Officer Boggs. It was at this point that Officer Boggs fired several rounds at Mr. Hayes (sic). In immediate fear for Officer Boggs' life, I also fired
several rounds at Mr. Hayes (sic). Mr. Hayes (sic) fell to the floor inches in front of Officer Boggs who had fallen back against the couch as he was firing his weapon.

The backdrop for the rounds which I fired inside the apartment was the front door area. No individuals were in the backdrop area. The lighting inside the apartment was sufficient for me to see clearly inside the apartment.

After Officer Boggs and I fired our duty weapons Mr. Hayes (sic) was on the floor, Officer Boggs made radio contact, including requesting medical assistance. I resumed attending to Mr. Ginn whom I had assisted to the couch. I recall other units arriving, with Officer Hecht being the first to arrive. Officer Boggs and I met Sergeant Webb when he arrived. He directed us back to the station. I drove my cruiser back to the station. I was subsequently ordered to give blood and urine samples, which I did at an Ohio Health facility in Mansfield.

I had no prior contact with Mr. Hayes (sic) or Mr. Ginn either through work or personally. However, I was aware that Mr. Hayes (sic) was a suspect in a possible car theft. This information had been relayed to me several days prior to the incident.

I believe that there was no force less than the lethal force I used both outside and inside the apartment that would have been sufficient to meet the threat posed by Mr. Hayes (sic). When I fired my duty weapon outside the apartment, Mr. Hayes (sic) was a clear and immediate threat to the life and physical safety of Mr. Ginn inside the apartment. When I fired my duty weapon inside the apartment, Mr. Hayes (sic) was a clear and immediate threat to the life and physical safety of Officer Boggs. I also believe that Officer Boggs was fully justified in firing his duty weapon inside the apartment when he was being attacked by Mr. Hayes (sic) and was in immediate fear for his life. My statement is made to the best of my recollection as the incident of July 29, 2021. I have reviewed the in-dash car video (with audio), which the MPD released to the Mansfield News.

Officer Mark Boggs

During Officer Mark Boggs’ interview with investigators, Officer Boggs provided a typed statement. The following are excerpts from Officer Boggs’ statement:

I was dispatched to 300 Wood Street, Apt. A8 in reference to a 911 hang-up call. I was dispatched with Patrol Officer Blair who was in his own cruiser. Dispatch advised that
males could be heard talking on the call. I arrived at the apartment complex and was attempting to park in an open parking spot several apartments West of Apt. A1 which was located on the bottom floor of 300 Wood Street and was the furthest apartment East in the building.

As I was attempting to park, a female in an SUV was waving to get my attention. I pulled my cruiser next to her driver's side door so I could speak with her. The female stated she was a taxi driver and had dropped two males off at the apartment and something was "off" with the males. The female expressed concern with the males and was worried that they may not pay the fare. The female described the males as a larger black male with medium length dreads and another skinnier black male. The female pointed to the apartment they entered and the door was labeled "A-8." That apartment was located on the second floor and was the furthest West apartment in the building.

As I was speaking with the female, Patrol Officer Blair, who had arrived, was speaking with the occupants of Apt. A1, who told him there were no issues. An older male then exited Apt. A-8, and walked down the steps towards the taxi driver. I assumed the gentleman was paying the taxi fare and there was no longer any issue. I exited my cruiser and walked towards the direction of Patrol Officer Blair. As I walked towards Patrol Officer Blair, I heard loud voices coming from an upstairs apartment. I spoke to Officer Blair about the yells and at that point we both heard cries for help. We both ran up the stairs, still hearing cries for help. At the top of the stairs, we turned right, facing East, where there was a black male, later identified as Jaymes (sic) Hayes (sic), coming out of the door to Apt. A-8, and standing on the walkway in front of the now closed door to Apt. A-8.

Mr. Hayes (sic) had a large amount of blood smeared on his t-shirt and he was holding a bloody knife. I drew my duty weapon and pointed my weapon at Mr. Hayes (sic) while yelling at him to drop the knife. Officer Blair gave similar commands. Mr. Hayes (sic) then attempted to re-enter Apt. A-8, but the door was locked.

At that point Mr. Hayes (sic) turned towards me and Officer Blair as we both gave additional comments for him to drop the knife. He then started elbowing the window to Apt. A-8 and was able to break the glass. While both Officer Blair and I were giving Mr. Hayes (sic) commands to drop his knife, I could hear a male inside the apartment yelling and screaming for help. The male inside the apartment was later identified as Jaron Ginn. Given my belief that Mr. Hayes (sic) had been involved in a bloody altercation with Mr. Ginn who was yelling for help, and Mr. Hayes (sic) was now attempting to re-enter the
apartment through the window, with a knife in his hand, I put my duty weapon in my holster and drew my Taser. I fired my Taser into Mr. Hayes (sic). The first Taser cartridge did not appear to stop Mr. Hayes (sic) from breaking the window, so I fired another Taser cartridge at Mr. Hayes (sic). This Taser also appeared to have no effect because Mr. Hayes (sic) was now bending over at the waist and was attempting to get into the apartment through the broken window.

From inside I could hear Mr. Ginn yelling and screaming for help. I then dropped my Taser and drew my weapon as I yelled for Officer Blair to "shoot." I was in fear for Mr. Ginn who was inside the apartment, who obviously had been stabbed by Mr. Hayes (sic) who was now attempting to re-enter the apartment. I had every reason to believe that Mr. Ginn's life and physical safety was in immediate danger. Officer Blair fired several rounds from his duty weapon at Mr. Hayes (sic) as he entered the apartment through the broken window.

Along with Officer Blair, I then ran to the door of the apartment and I kicked open the door to gain entry. I yelled "Mansfield Police" as I kicked open the door. I, along with Officer Blair, entered the apartment. The apartment was sufficiently lit for me to be able to see clearly inside the apartment. I immediately pushed the door to the right which blocked an entrance to a bedroom.

The door from the walkway, which I kicked open, immediately entered upon a living room. Behind the living room, in the same open space, was a kitchen area. I could observe Mr. Ginn who was in the back of the living room towards the kitchen area. He had a massive amount of blood on his t-shirt and he was still yelling for help. Mr. Ginn was screaming, "he stabbed me" and "help."

Officer Blair went immediately to the back of the living room making contact with Mr. Ginn. I turned from the doorway and faced the bedroom which was to the West of the living room. The front door to the apartment was blocking the entrance to the bedroom. I reached over and closed the front door to be able to see into the bedroom area. I had my duty weapon drawn and pointed to the entrance to the bedroom as Mr. Hayes (sic), whom I had just encountered outside of the apartment, came into my view. Mr. Hayes (sic) was still holding his knife in his right hand near his side. I ordered him to show me his hands. Mr. Hayes (sic) then looked at me. His body appeared to tighten up, and he lunged in my direction. I tried to walk back but I began to fall landing on my back with a couch behind me. As I fell back I fired several times, aiming at Mr. Hayes (sic)' upper torso (center mass). Mr. Hayes (sic) continued to advance in my direction. I then fired more rounds,
aiming at Mr. Hayes (sic)' head, in a last-ditch attempt to stop Mr. Hayes (sic) from attacking me. I fired my duty weapon because I was in immediate fear for my own life. While I was falling and firing my weapon, I could hear Officer Blair fire several times in the direction of Mr. Hayes (sic). Mr. Hayes (sic) fell onto his back landing just inches in front of my feet. Mr. Hayes (sic) had several wounds in his chest and face, as he laid on his back and was not moving.

Officer Blair was assisting Mr. Ginn and had placed him on the couch. I radioed Dispatch updates, to have additional patrol units and medical personnel respond. Officer Blair was applying pressure to the stab wounds that Mr. Ginn had. I turned my attention to Mr. Hayes (sic) who was on the floor and assessed him for possible aid. I observed several wounds without blood. I checked Mr. Hayes (sic) for a pulse on the side of the neck. I did not feel a pulse. At that point additional patrol units, beginning with Officer Hecht arrived. I walked outside to direct the patrol units and medical personnel to the scene. I was met outside by Sergeant Webb who ordered me and Officer Blair to leave the scene and report to the station. Because my patrol cruiser was blocked by other units, I took a fellow Mansfield Patrol Officer's cruiser and drove directly to the station. I was then ordered to submit to a drug and urine sample at an Ohio Health facility, which I did.

When I discharged my duty weapon at Mr. Hayes (sic) inside the apartment the back drop was the bedroom. Aside from myself, Officer Blair, and Mr. Ginn, there were no other individuals inside the apartment and neither Officer Blair nor Mr. Ginn were in my aim of fire.

Prior to July 29, 2021, I had no prior law enforcement or personal contact with either Mr. Hayes (sic) or Mr. Ginn. I used lethal force in this incident. I do not believe that there was any less lethal force than the force I used which would have been as effective in attempting to stop the immediate threat to me inside the apartment when Mr. Hayes (sic) was attacking me with the knife in his hand. I also believe that the lethal force Officer Blair used in firing at Mr. Hayes (sic) outside the apartment was the only effective force he could have used given the failure of my Taser to stop Mr. Hayes (sic). Also, Officer Blair had no less lethal force to use inside the apartment when he fired at Mr. Hayes (sic) to stop him from attacking me with his knife.

My statement is made from the best of my recollection as to the incident on July 29, 2021. I have reviewed the in-dash car video (with audio) which the MPD released to the Mansfield News Journal. I viewed this video on the newspaper's website.
911 Call and Radio Traffic

911 Call

On July 29, 2021, at approximately 17:26 hours, Richland County Sheriff’s Dispatch initially received the 911 call for 300 Wood Street. It was reported that no one was on the other end of the call. When the call was transferred to the Mansfield Dispatch Center at approximately 17:27, all that was heard was, “Males calmly speaking in the background.”

A Kyocera Verve cellular phone was recovered from James Haynes’ belongings at OhioHealth Hospital. A search warrant was later obtained for that cellular phone and the phone was subsequently forensically searched. The search of the phone revealed that James Haynes’ phone had called 911 on July 29, 2021, at 5:25 P.M.

![Phone Call to 911]

Radio Traffic

17:26 hours, Richland County Dispatch received a 911 “open line” call from the area of 300 Wood Street. They were able to map it closer to apartment A1. Richland dispatch transferred the call to the Mansfield Police Dispatcher.

17:29:05 hours, units 3213 and 3219 (Boggs and Blair) were dispatched to the area of 300 Wood Street.

17:36:10 hours, both units, 3213 and 3219, arrived on scene.

17:38:28 hours, Officer Blair advises, “We have someone screaming for help (indiscernible) apartment number.”

17:38:56 hours, Officer Blair yells, “We got one with a knife.” Dispatcher Behrendsen advises to Officer Hecht to “step it up” and checks Officer Blair’s status. Indiscernible radio traffic follows.
17:39:17 hours, Officer Blair yells, “Shots Fired! Shots Fired!” Dispatcher Behrendsen advises all units to step it up.

17:39:44 hours, Officer Boggs advises, “We have one down. Male stabbed. Apartment A-8 Apartment A-8 300 Wood Street.” Dispatcher Behrendsen checks on Officer Boggs’ status.

17:39:57 hours, CAD Event Number 2021-0033804 MFD Run# 21-006468 is prompted. Responding MFD Units (AFC Bishop, Engine 1, Rescue 1.

17:40:59 hours, Officer Boggs advises, “I’m okay. This is (32)13 talking to you. I got one male with a stab wound to the chest. Another male down with gunshot wounds. We’re okay. Just need units here.”

17:40:17 hours, Officer Boggs replies, “Scene secure right now. Send 500 in. Large male stab wound to his chests; heavy bleeding.”

17:40:31 hours, Officer Boggs advises, “We also have another male; multiple gunshot wounds.” Dispatcher Behrendsen asks if we need three squads.

17:40:42 hours, Officer Boggs corrects and confirms two squads are needed

**Dash Camera**

**Officer Clay Blair**

Officer Clay Blair’s cruiser dash-camera video captures portions of the shooting.

At 1 minute and 49 seconds, on the top left of the camera view, Black is seen exiting apartment A8 before the shooting occurred.
At 3 minutes 24 seconds, on the left side of the camera view, officers Boggs and Blair reported hearing someone screaming for help.

At 3 minutes and 32 seconds, as officers Blair and Boggs are seen walking to the stairs to go to the second level, the subject, Haynes, is seen exiting apartment A8 and yelling on the top left of the camera view.

At 3 minutes and 37 seconds, as officers Blair and Boggs arrived on the second level of the apartment building, they had their first encounter with Haynes. Numerous commands to “Drop the knife” were given by the officers, as Haynes stood in front of the door to apartment A8.
At 3 minutes and 50 seconds, Haynes is seen on the top left of the camera view breaking out the window to apartment A8. While doing so, Haynes is heard shouting the name, “Jaron.”

At 3 minutes and 59 seconds, at the top left corner of the camera view, officers fire their service weapons at Haynes as he begins to enter through the broken window, with knife in hand and yelling, “Jaron.”

At four minutes and nine seconds, officers Blair and Boggs are seen making a forced entry, while identifying themselves as Mansfield Police, into apartment A8 in pursuit of Haynes. While doing so, both officers are heard giving commands to “Put your hands up!” Shortly after entering and giving commands to Haynes, multiple shots are heard being fired.
At 7 minutes and 53 seconds, additional Mansfield Police officers, along with Mansfield Fire and EMS, arrived on scene after the incident occurred.

**Taser**

Officer Boggs deployed his Taser during the incident.

Based on the download information, the Taser registered a trigger pull four times at the following times:

- 17:39:08:447-Duration 1.08s (Bay 1)
- 17:39:11:212-Duration 0.78s (Bay 2)
- 17:39:12.33-Duration .72s
- 17:39:13:097-Duration 4.95s
Scene

300 Wood Street, Mansfield, Ohio

Broken window of Apartment A-8

Inside of Apartment A-8
Twenty (20) total fired cartridge cases were recovered from the scene. Seventeen (17) of the fired cartridge cases were recovered in apartment A-8 and three (3) fired cartridge cases were located outside of the apartment.

SA Staley located the Taser® device and wires attached on the sidewalk, apartment #A8. SA Staley photographed the Taser® device and wires as they were found and again utilizing placard #5 for documentation. SA Staley collected, secured and preserved the Taser® device and wires as item #5 on the Inventory/Receipt Attachment form, dated 07/30/2021.

Pieces of a broken folding-type knife on the floor of the front room and inside the bedroom. Pieces of the broken knife exhibited reddish brown stains suspected to be blood. SA Staley photographed the pieces of the knife as they were found and again utilizing placard #32 for documentation. SA Staley collected, secured and preserved the pieces of broken folding type knife as item #32.
## Laboratory Results

### DNA

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Latent Prints

Findings
An examination of item #7 (knife piece) did not reveal any latent prints that contain sufficient ridge detail for comparison purposes.

The remainder of item #7 (knife pieces) were not suitable for latent print examination.

Firearms

Sig Sauer pistol-SN: [redacted] belonging to Officer Blair

A total of eleven (11) fired cartridge cases returned to Officer Blair’s firearm.

Crime Scene #1

Crime Scene #2

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Crime Scene #28

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A total of five (5) recovered projectiles originated from Officer Blair’s firearms. Four (4) projectiles were recovered from the scene and one (1) projectile was recovered from James Haynes.

Crime Scene #6

Crime Scene #7
Crime Scene #8

Crime Scene #27

• Projectile recovered from Medial left thigh of James Haynes.
Sig Sauer pistol-SN: [redacted] belonging to Officer Boggs

A total of nine (9) fired cartridge cases returned to Officer Boggs’ firearm.

**Crime Scene #9**

![Crime Scene #9 Image](image1)

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**Crime Scene #20**

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Crime Scene #34

A total of five (5) recovered projectiles originated from Officer Boggs’ firearms. One (1) projectile was recovered from the scene and four (4) projectiles were recovered from James Haynes.

Crime Scene #25

- Projectile recovered from right upper arm of James Haynes
- Projectile recovered from post lat upper abdomen of James Haynes
- Projectile recovered from right buttock of James Haynes
- Projectile recovered from right upper arm of James Haynes
Autopsy Report

The autopsy was performed at the Montgomery County Coroner’s Office on July 31, 2021, by Mary Goolsby M.D.

SA Momchilov reviewed the report and summarized the following:

1. Multiple (two) gunshot wounds of the head and neck:
   A. Indeterminate-range gunshot wound of the left lateral upper lip:
      - Entrance wound: Left lateral upper lip
      - No projectile recovered from the body
      - Exit wounds: Right lateral upper perioral area and right lower cheek
      - Direction: Left to right, slightly front to back, with minimal vertical deviation.

   B. Indeterminate-range gunshot wound of the left posterolateral base of the neck:
      - Entrance wound: Left posterolateral base of neck.
      - Projectile fragment recovered from within the subcutaneous soft tissues within the wound track on the right lateral base of the neck.
      - Exit wound: Right lateral base of the neck.
      - Direction: Left to right, back to front and slightly downward.

2. Multiple (at least three) gunshot wounds of the torso:
   A. Indeterminate-range gunshot wound of the anterior right upper chest:
      - Indeterminate entrance/exit wounds: Anterior right upper chest
      - No projectile recovered from body.
      - Direction: Could not be determined.

   B. Indeterminate-range gunshot wound of the anterior right lower chest:
      - Entrance wound: Anterior right lower chest.
      - Projectile recovered from within the subcutaneous soft tissues of posterolateral right upper abdomen.
      - No exit wound found on the body.
      - Direction: Left to right, front to back and downward.
C. Indeterminate-range superficial graze gunshot wound of the posterior right shoulder:
   - Superficial graze gunshot wound of indeterminate entrance/exit
     Posterior right shoulder.
   - No projectile recovered from the body.
   - Direction: Could not be determined.

D. Gunshot exit wound of undetermined entrance:
   - Anterior base of the penis.

E. Gunshot wound of undetermined entrance/exit of the right scrotum:
   - Wound path: Skin and subcutaneous soft tissues of the right scrotum.
   - Direction: Could not be determined.

3. Multiple (five) gunshot wounds of the upper extremities:

A. Indeterminate-range gunshot wound of the proximal posterior left upper arm:
   - Entrance wound: Proximal posterior left upper arm.
   - Projectile fragments (quantity: two) recovered from musculature of the left axilla.
   - Exit wounds: Left axilla.
   - Direction: Slightly left to right, back to front, and slightly downward.

B. Indeterminate-range gunshot wound of the medial right upper arm (proximal):
   - Entrance wound: Medial right upper arm.
   - Projectile recovered from musculature of the right upper arm.
   - No exit wound identified on the body.
   - Direction: Generally left to right.

C. Indeterminate-range gunshot wound of the medial right upper arm (distal):
   - Entrance wound: Medial right upper arm (distal).
   - Projectile recovered from musculature of the right upper arm.
   - No exit wound identified on the body.
   - Direction: Generally left to right.

D. Indeterminate-range superficial graze gunshot wound of the left elbow:
   - No projectile recovered from the body.
E. Indeterminate-range gunshot wound of the medial right palm:
   - Entrance wound: Medial right palm.
   - Projectile fragments (quantity: three) recovered from subcutaneous soft tissues of the medial right palm.
   - No exit wound identified on the body.
   - Direction: Genially front to back.

4. Multiple (eight) gunshot wounds of the lower extremities:

A. Indeterminate-range gunshot wound of the anterolateral right thigh:
   - Entrance wound: Anterolateral right thigh.
   - Projectile recovered from the deep musculature of the right buttock.
   - No exit wound identified on the body.
   - Direction: Right to left, slightly front to back, and slightly upward.

B. Indeterminate-range gunshot wound of the anterolateral right thigh:
   - Superficial graze gunshot wound of indeterminate entrance/exit.
   - Anterior right thigh.
   - No projectile recovered from body.
   - Direction: Could not be determined.

C. Indeterminate-range gunshot wound of the posterolateral left thigh (proximal):
   - Entrance wound: Posterolateral left thigh (proximal).
   - Direction: Slightly left to right, back to front, and upward.

D. Indeterminate-range gunshot wound of the lateral left thigh:
   - Entrance wound: Lateral left thigh.
   - Direction: Slightly left to right, back to front, and upward.

E. Indeterminate-range gunshot wound of the posterolateral left thigh (distal):
   - Entrance wound: Posterolateral left thigh (distal).
   - Direction: Slightly left to right, back to front, and upward.

F. Indeterminate-range gunshot wound of the proximal anteromedial right thigh (superior):
   - Entrance wound: Proximal anteromedial right thigh (superior).
   - Projectile recovery: No projectile recovered from the body.
   - Exit wound: Proximal medial right thigh (labeled “U” in photos).
   - Direction: Right to left, front to back, with minimal vertical deviation.
G. Indeterminate-range gunshot wound of the distal posterolateral right thigh:
   - Entrance wound: Distal posterolateral right thigh.
   - No projectile recovered from the body.
   - Exit wound: Posteromedial right thigh.
   - Direction: Right to left, back to front, and slightly upward.

H. Indeterminate-range superficial graze gunshot wound of the proximal anteromedial left lower leg:
   - Superficial graze gunshot wound of indeterminate entrance/exit proximal anteromedial left lower leg.
   - No projectile recovered from the body.
   - Direction: Could not be determined.

I. Multiple (three) gunshot exit wounds of undetermined entrance:
   - Medial left thigh.
   - Proximal anteromedial right thigh (inferior).
   - Proximal posteromedial left thigh.

5. Additional associated injuries:

A. Multiple superficial shrapnel injuries of the anterior right lower chest/right upper abdomen:
   - Entrance wounds: Anterior right lower chest/right upper abdomen.
   - Projectile fragments (quantity: two) recovered from the anterior right lower chest/right upper abdomen.
   - No exit wounds identified on body.
   - Direction: Generally front to back.

B. Possible superficial shrapnel injury versus needle puncture of the skin of the anterior left lower chest:

6. Additional injuries:

A. Superficial abrasions, some partially healed - posterior left shoulder and left forearm.

B. Lacerations - left hand and left thigh.

C. Superficial incised wounds - left elbow, right forearm, right hand, left lower leg and right ankle.
Toxicology:

James Haynes Prior Police Interactions

A Computerized Criminal History (CCH) was run on James Haynes. According to the CCH,

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Conclusion

In comparing the officers’ version of events with the physical evidence and witness statements, SA Momchilov could find no major discrepancies in the officers’ version of events. It is ultimately unknown what caused Haynes to attack Ginn which led to the shooting.

According to John Black, Black stated that Haynes told him that “He [Haynes] was going to die tonight.” It is also believed that Haynes called 911 prior to the stabbing.

Contact Information

The preceding information comprises only a portion of facts and circumstances collected during the investigation of the officer-involved shooting incident. For further review of specific information or documentation collected during the investigation, please refer to the individual reports and documents from which this summary was derived. Any questions regarding the content or context of the information contained in this document can be directed to the attention of Special Agent Cory Momchilov. SA Momchilov can be reached via email at cory.momchilov@OhioAGO.gov.

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