



**Ohio Attorney General's Office**  
**Bureau of Criminal Investigation**  
 Investigative Report



2022-2918

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 500 West Hopocan, Barberton, OH 44203

**Investigative Activity:** Review of Police Radio Traffic  
**Involves:** Barberton Police Department (O)  
**Activity Date:** January 12, 2023  
**Activity Location:** BCI - 4055 Highlander Parkway, Richfield, Ohio 44286  
**Authoring Agent:** Special Agent Todd A. Clark #139

**Narrative:**

On Thursday, January 12, 2023, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Todd Clark (Clark) reviewed radio traffic recordings provided to SA Clark by Sergeant Ben Knorr of the Barberton Police Department on December 28, 2022. The recordings consisted of 26 WAV files labeled:

12-26-22 08.57.44 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:04 PM	WAV File	126 KB
12-26-22 08.57.53 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:04 PM	WAV File	141 KB
12-26-22 08.58.01 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:05 PM	WAV File	516 KB
12-26-22 08.58.34 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:05 PM	WAV File	110 KB
12-26-22 08.58.41 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:06 PM	WAV File	94 KB
12-26-22 09.00.28 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:06 PM	WAV File	313 KB
12-26-22 09.02.36 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:07 PM	WAV File	79 KB
12-26-22 09.02.41 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:07 PM	WAV File	360 KB
12-26-22 09.03.22 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:07 PM	WAV File	94 KB
12-26-22 09.03.47 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:08 PM	WAV File	251 KB
12-26-22 09.04.22 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:09 PM	WAV File	297 KB
12-26-22 09.04.41 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:09 PM	WAV File	360 KB
12-26-22 09.05.19 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:09 PM	WAV File	94 KB
12-26-22 09.05.36 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:10 PM	WAV File	188 KB
12-26-22 09.05.59 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:10 PM	WAV File	235 KB
12-26-22 09.06.21 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:10 PM	WAV File	172 KB
12-26-22 09.06.44 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:11 PM	WAV File	157 KB
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12-26-22 09.18.49 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:31 PM	WAV File	360 KB
12-26-22 09.20.50 Radio (Barberton Police)	12/26/2022 2:34 PM	WAV File	360 KB

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SA Clark noted pertinent information to this investigation on the following recordings:

**12-26-22 08.58.01 Radio (Barberton Police)**

Dispatch advised there was a caller inside of the YMCA who said a male was following her and he wanted her keys. Dispatch advised he was carrying a bag, wearing a black coat and jeans. Dispatch advised the male was white. Dispatch advised the male was outside.

**12-26-22 09.02.36 Radio (Barberton Police)**

Someone asked if they found him.

**12-26-22 09.02.41 Radio (Barberton Police)**

An officer advised, "He took off running behind this Lakeview Church. He's hiding, hold on." The officer stated he was hiding. The officer indicated he would be in the parking lot across from the "Y," behind the church. Dispatch provided a time of 0904 hours.

**12-26-22 09.03.22 Radio (Barberton Police)**

An officer said, "Step it up [REDACTED]"

**12-26-22 09.03.47 Radio (Barberton Police)**

An officer advised dispatch the male had a knife. Another officer is heard yelling, "Barberton Police!"

**12-26-22 09.04.22 Radio (Barberton Police)**

An officer is heard saying, "Shots fired." Another officer is heard saying, "Drop it!" A request for a squad is made.

**12-26-22 09.18.49 Radio (Barberton Police)**

An officer requested dispatch contact BCH Security and advised them that BFD is en route with him.

The remaining recordings contained nothing of additional value to this investigation.

The radio recordings were attached to this report for review.



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**Attachments:**

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