

Incident Report #190135



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Event Info

Date Reported 09/29/2019	Time Reported 15:04	Time Dispatched 15:06	Time Arrived 15:14	Time Completed 18:07
Addr. of Occ. 265 2ND STREET	City monument	Zipcode 80132	Date Occ. Range 09/29/2019 - 09/29/2019	Time Occ. Range 15:04 - 18:07
District north	Grid monument	Dispatch 911	Dispatch Disposition RPT	Disposition Tags REFERRED OTHER JURISDICTION
Agency 1 MONUMENT POLICE DEPARTMENT		Agency 2 EL PASO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE		Initial Investigator LUNDY, ADAM
Followup Investigator LUNDY, ADAM				

Classification Completed

Class ASSIST OTHER AGENCY	Subclass Assist Other Agency	
Special MO dispatch	Premise RESIDENCE/HOME	Structure APARTMENT BLDG, SINGLE STORY
Auto Weapon Indicator		

Deceased

Name Type Deceased	Name PAGE, DAVID JAXON	Address 265 2ND STREET	City MONUMENT	State CO	Zip 80132		
DOB 06/26/1999	Sex M	Race WHITE	EO NON-HISPANIC	Height 601	Weight 167	Hair BRO	Eyes BRO

Narrative

Written By LUNDY, ADAM	Date Written 10/01/2019
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I Sergeant A. Lundy of the Palmer Lake Police Department (on the date of 9-29-19, at approximately 1506hrs.) was dispatched to an active shooter at the address of 265 2nd Street in Monument Colorado. Officer B. Stanley of the Palmer Lake Police Department was with me in my patrol vehicle.

Upon arrival on scene Officer Stanley and I parked our vehicle across the roadway to block traffic from crossing the line of fire coming from the building (unit 265). We exited the vehicle and made our way to the south-east corner of the building. The apartment where our suspect was shooting from was located two units to the west of us and we could see the front door and windows from our vantage point. As we watched the front door, I heard a projectile fly past my head, Officer Stanley acknowledged he heard the same. I announced over the radio we were being shot at. We took cover, taking an angle behind the brick façade of the building. The spot we were at was adequate cover and if I poked my head to the left of me, I was able to see the front door and windows of the apartment. I heard yelling from the apartment but could not make out what was being said. What I believe I heard

at first was the male shooter saying, "you thought I was joking". The rest of the yelling was indeterminable.

Officer Stanley and I stayed in this position and maintained front door containment of the scene. As I stood in my position, bullets remained fired in my direction. Every ten to fifteen seconds I would hear another one fly by. The shots got closer to my position when the suspect realized where we were. He began to shoot the tree directly next to me, hitting it several times and knocking leaves from the limbs in the process. Presumably, once the suspect realized he was not able to hit us he began to shoot at the El Paso County (EPSO) Deputy's vehicle as well as my patrol vehicle. A bullet struck the passenger window of the EPSO car and shattered it out completely. More bullets struck both vehicles along the side of the EPSO vehicle and hitting the windshield of my vehicle twice. There are two holes in my front windshield as a result.

As this was happening the suspect (presumably) put down his rifle and began to strike the front door and windows with a baseball bat. At this time, I moved over periodically to see if I could gain visual on our suspect. I could not see the suspect fully but could see every strike from the bat as he broke all the glass out of the front of the apartment. This continued for a few minutes and the shooting began again. I conferred briefly with the EPSO deputy on scene who was positioned on the north-east corner watching the rear door to the apartment. We spoke about the fact this was a deadly force situation and agreed together it was. We spoke about a game plan if he came out of the front door we would be forced to engage with lethal force until the threat was no longer present. In agreement we stayed at our respective vantage points. The suspect inside now switched to shooting in the rear of the apartment towards the deputies on the north-east corner. From what I could hear and see the bullets were hitting a dumpster near the deputies but were not reaching the deputies location. The suspect continued switching from the front and rear of the apartment as well as from shooting to smashing the inside of the home.

As the suspect switched to the bat I would look out, trying to see more of what was happening. While watching the front door and seeing the bat smash over and again through the now severely damaged door, the suspect threw the bat out the front door landing a short way in front of it. He had a second bat however and began to smash the inside of the home with this one. As I watched I noticed the suspect placing a ladder in front of the broken door and milk crate in front of the window. I announced over the radio the suspect appeared to be barricading himself in the home. The barricade did not stay in place for long as he continued to smash things with his bat, knocking the barricade from the door and window.

I relayed to the EPSO units we needed to evacuate the rest of the building. This was accomplished in quick fashion by several units now on scene. I instructed units on the west side of the building to clear out that entire side as there was now a crowd of civilians gathered and presenting an unsafe backing concern, should the suspect exit the building and force myself and Officer Stanley to engage him with lethal force. Officer B. Bartter of the Palmer lake Police Department arrived on scene and asked me where he was needed. I instructed him to go to the west side of the building and clear everyone out of harms way. Officer Bartter did so and then took a vantage point to the south of the apartment in a spot where he had view of the front door and windows. I instructed him to relay to me if the suspect exited the building and if so, what he may be carrying.

We stayed in our position while the suspect continued shooting at us and the deputies in the rear. The EPSO Special Weapons And Tactics (SWAT) team arrived on scene and relieved the deputies on the rear side of the home. The EPSO was given control of the scene at this time. While SWAT members relieved the units surrounding the building, we remained in position. The EPSO BearCat (armored vehicle) arrived on scene and parked on the south side facing the front door. Finally, Officer Stanley and I were met by a SWAT member and that deputy took my position. I asked where I was needed next and was instructed to again clear the west side of the building as there were still onlookers in the path of potential fire. Officer Stanley and I backed out of our position and made our way to my patrol vehicle. My vehicle was still in the line of fire, so I crept to the driver side while Officer Stanley stayed in a safe position. I gained control of my vehicle and picked Officer Stanley up. We headed northbound to get to the west side of the building. As we pulled away, we heard over the radio the suspect exited the building wielding a machete. As this was aired, we heard 6-7 (believed to be) gun shots. It was aired over the radio shots were fired at the suspect, but he went back into the home.

The SWAT team went to an encrypted channel and we were no longer able to hear their actions. We made our

way to the west side of the building and cleared the last few onlookers out of harms way. At this time, I heard two more loud bangs coming from the direction of the building. These bangs I believe were flash bangs deployed by the SWAT team as they entered the building. The scene went quiet and Officer Stanley and I remained at the intersection on the west side of the building until the all clear was given. It was later relayed to us the suspect was deceased as a result of the deadly force action engaging the SWAT team. As we remained on perimeter containment Officer Bartter told me his vehicle had been struck twice in the windshield as well. Upon being relieved of containment at the scene we were all instructed to report to the Monument Police Department building for interviews and debriefing. At Monument Station our vehicles were taken to be photographed. The Colorado Springs Police Department (CSPD) Detectives were on scene. CSPD oversaw investigating this event. Both of my Officers and I were interviewed individually in the Monument interrogation room. These interviews were recorded. After our interviews we were given permission to clear.

Supplemental Narrative

Written By LUNDY, ADAM	Date Written 10/08/2019
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On September 29, 2019, at approximately 1510 hours, I, Officer B. Bartter with the Palmer Lake Police Department was driving on Hwy 105 heading to my office to start my shift. As I was passing under the railroad bridge, I observed Sgt Lundy in Palmer Lake unit 1801 driving Code 3 (lights and siren) towards Monument.

As I was not in uniform, I continued to my office. Once there, I heard Sgt Lundy advising a subject was actively shooting at him on the office radio which was tuned to EPSO Channel 1. I quickly got dressed in uniform and prepared my car. Once I was logged in on the Mobile Data Computer (MDC), I headed to Sgt Lundy's location at the intersection of 2nd Street and Adam's Street in Monument.

Upon arrival, I observed Sgt Lundy's vehicle parked across the road in a manner to prevent people from driving past it. I used my vehicle to fill a gap in the road to his vehicles driver's side. I saw Sgt Lundy in a position of cover near the wall of 285 2nd St. I quickly approached him and was informed the male was shooting out of both the front and rear of his apartment. Sgt Lundy also said he thought the suspect was using a "Pellet" Gun, but he was not sure. He pointed out how the suspect had shot the passenger window out of one of the EPSO vehicle's on scene.

Sgt Lundy advised he was concerned because there were several civilians near the corner of 2nd Street and Jefferson (directly to the west of his location) who would be in his line of fire if the suspect exited his apartment. Sgt Lundy requested I drive around the containment area and advise the civilians to take appropriate cover away from the incident. I returned to my vehicle and drove safely around the containment stopping by a fire truck which was blocking traffic from entering the containment area from the west. I advised about 8 - 10 civilians they were in a very bad location and ordered them to move to a safe area.

After clearing out the civilians, I crossed 2nd street and took up a covered location behind a tree to the southwest of the suspects apartment. I maintained this location in case the suspect came out of his apartment and started heading west before being confronted by officers closer to his apartment. While there, I had to keep waiving the civilians I had warned earlier to stay safely out of the line of fire.

At approximately 1626 hours, EPSO Sgt Hess advised me to move out once the "Bear" (EPSO Armored Response Vehicle) got into position in front of the suspects house. At about 1627 hours, the Bear assumed position in front of the residence, and I returned to my patrol vehicle. It was then one of the Tri-Lakes Firemen who was assisting with containment pointed out two impact points on the passenger side of my patrol vehicle windshield. The suspect had probably shot my vehicle while it was parked next to Sgt Lundy's vehicle at the corner of 2nd St and Adam's St. I had not heard any impacts on the vehicle while I was inside.

I maintained a position to keep containment until the situation was resolved by EPSO members.

I have nothing further to add at this time.

Supplemental Narrative

Written By	Date Written
VANDERPOOL, JASON	10/08/2019

Supplemental Report

CR #19-0135

09/29/2019

Reserve Officer Brett Stanley – 5P55

On 09/29/2019 at approx. 1502 hrs., I was with Sgt. Lundy at the Palmer Lake Police Department building when we heard a call for cover with Monument PD for a shots fired call at 265 2nd St..

We responded immediately to the scene and while in route, I relayed call note information from our mdt to Sgt. Lundy, who was driving. I told him the location of the call was the same as a call we had covered Monument PD on earlier in the day around 0845 hrs. on a disturbance involving a 20 year old male named David Page (unk. Dob).

Upon arrival we knew it was safest to approach the residence from the east side just off of 2nd St.. We also heard on the radio that someone inside the residence, later found to be Page, was shooting out the front windows and possibly the door of the home at cars on 2nd St. and into the park across the and to the south side of the street. There were two El Paso County Sheriff Deputies (unknown which units) who arrived at the same time right in front of us. Along with the Deputies we utilized our patrol vehicles to partially block 2nd street at Adams street. Sgt. Lundy and I then quickly followed the deputies to the east side of the 4-plex building to the front door area of 285 2nd St. and met up with Cpl. Stewart, who was already on scene.

Cpl. Stewart was on the telephone as the deputies, Sgt. Lundy, and I, as we took cover on the east side of the building. The deputies said they would cover the north side of the building, which also opened up to a large grassy area with exposure to several other buildings and to 3rd St., while Sgt. Lundy and I covered the front (south) side of the building.

Sgt. Lundy and I told the deputies we had been on scene earlier and gave them a quick idea of what we may be dealing with. Sgt. Lundy and I then went around the front side of the building to see if we could see inside of 265 2nd St and try to contact Page. As we were scouting out the scene to make sure it was safe to approach, I heard the sound of a possible firearm and the whizzing sound of a fired round pass right past my left cheek and ear. It sounded like a muffled or smaller caliber weapon, but I could not be sure. I immediately told Sgt. Lundy we needed to retreat, as he was actively shooting at us and we quickly found cover on the southeast corner of the building. I relayed this information to the deputies and shots continued to be fired in our direction from the front of 265 2nd St.. As Sgt. Lundy and I held our cover and relayed information, the deputies held cover on the northeast corner of the building and attempted to direct more units coming on scene to set up a perimeter and to eventually stop traffic from coming into the area.

As the shots continued every 5 – 10 seconds, I could hear the rounds hit the tree only a few feet from us as well as the sidewalk on 2nd St. I do not remember to total number of rounds, as they continued in this manner for several minutes and almost seemed to be getting slightly closer to Sgt. Lundy and I. Eventually, the right-side front passenger window of one to the deputy's patrol cars was shattered by projectiles that we assumed were either from a very high-powered pellet gun or possibly a .22 caliber rifle. The rounds continued to be fired off and on every few minutes in our direction and occasionally out the back windows of the residence. There were also a few moments when I could hear Page hitting the windows on the front side with what was most likely a baseball bat that he later tossed out the front window and onto 2nd St..

The deputies on the northeast corner assisted in evacuating residence of the complex to safety and I remember

hearing them attempt to communicate with Page, but I am not sure Page could hear them over a strong wind that day and communication was not established. I could hear Page yelling some things at some point, but it completely unintelligible and seemed angry, whatever he was saying.

I had been holding the southeast corner of the building for a lengthy period, when Sgt. Lundy suggested that I retrieve a heavier ballistic vest he had in the back seat of our patrol vehicle. I went to our vehicle very carefully and could hear the impact sounds of rounds being fired in my direction as I retrieved the vest and returned to my position to assist. Sgt. Lundy.

After holding the southeast corner of the building and continuing to relay information to the El Paso deputies, I could see Cpl. Stewart still on his cell phone, and soon after a call came on the radio that command of the scene had been handed over to the El Paso County Sheriff. I was approached by another deputy who had come on scene that appeared to be someone associated with the county SWAT team, but I am not sure. He asked for a run down on some information about the situation, which I passed to him. Per Sgt. Lundy, I also asked him to help clear out the crowds of people forming on 2nd St. just to the west of the situation to avoid any crossfire problems.

After several more minutes I saw deputies arrive who clearly appeared to be part of the county SWAT team, we were relieved by those deputies. They asked us to move our patrol vehicle to allow the large Bearcat SWAT vehicle to approach the residence.

Sgt. Lundy and I moved our patrol vehicle out of the way and after the Bearcat passed us, we drove around the scene to the west side at Jefferson and 2nd St. to assist with crowd control. Upon arrival before we could exit our vehicle, I heard what sounded like 5 to 6 shots, possibly gunshots, just before communication on the radio confirmed shots had been fired from officers on scene and that the suspect was likely hit or down. At this point the county deputies all switched to a tactical channel and I, nor Sgt. Lundy were able to hear any radio traffic from that point on. Later Sgt. Lundy and I discovered that the windshield of our patrol vehicle had taken two rounds and was damaged. Ofc. Marks from Monument PD took pictures to document what we found. I continued to help Sgt. Lundy and Ofc. Marks to keep the intersection of 2nd St. and Jefferson St. contained. We were later interviewed at the Monument Police Department by Colorado Springs Police detective Joines about our involvement with the situation.

I have no further information.

Case Management

Initial Investigator LUNDY, ADAM	Current Investigator LUNDY, ADAM	Report Status Approved	Approved By CARROLL, MICHAEL	Date Approved 10/09/2019 06:51
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