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Chief of Police



Key West

POLICE DEPARTMENT

August 26, 2019

Citizen Review Board
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Citizen Review Board,

On August 8, 2019, the Key West Police Department received a complaint from Mr. John Brace through the Citizen Review Board. Mr. Brace stated in his complaint, on August 3, 2019, at about 3:30 am, he was awoken by two Key West Police officers standing in his bedroom, with guns drawn. Mr. Brace said the officers asked him if someone named "Sean" lived there. Mr. Brace said he asked the officers to leave his bedroom, however, they continued to search the house and ask him about "Sean". Mr. Brace said, once they were outside of his home, he told the officers he did not know anyone named "Sean".

As a result of this complaint, I conducted an inquiry into this incident. I spoke with Officer Andrew Hudson, who was the primary officer during this incident. I also reviewed all body worn camera (BWC) videos related to this incident. The following was learned during this inquiry.

On Saturday, August 3, 2019, the Key West Police Department received a call from Deanna Grierson (3601 Northside Drive), in reference to a verbal disturbance and possible theft. Officer Hudson responded to the call and met with Ms. Grierson. Ms. Grierson told Officer Hudson that she got into a verbal argument with a friend named, Sean Burley. Ms. Grierson said, during the argument, Mr. Burley took her bag and left the area in a taxi cab. Ms. Grierson told Officer Hudson she did not want to pursue charges against Mr. Burley, she just wanted her bag returned. Ms. Grierson provided Officer Hudson with Mr. Burley's address (1015 South Street).

After meeting with Ms. Grierson, Officer Hudson and Officer Jeremey Tellier responded to 1015 South Street to attempt to locate Mr. Burley. When the officers arrived at 1015 South Street, they found the front door of the residence was ajar. At this time, it was approximately 3:30 am. Due to the circumstances of the call, the time of night, and the opened front door, the officers knocked on the door and announced themselves by saying, "Key West Police Department". They waited a few moments and again knocked on the door and announced, "Key West Police Department, if there is anybody inside, make yourself known." After hearing no response from inside, they entered the residence. The officers began searching the home and located two children sleeping in a bedroom. They continued searching the home and located two adults (male and female) sleeping in another bedroom. The officers woke the two adults, asked them about Sean Burley and confirmed the address was 1015 South Street.



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The officers also informed the couple, that their front door was left open. At the time, the couple requested the officers to step out of the bedroom so they could get dressed. The officers complied with their request and started making their way towards the front door. The officers spoke with the male (Mr. Brace) for a few more minutes and determined that Mr. Burley did not reside at that residence.

After completing this inquiry, I have determined that Officer Hudson's and Officer Tellier's actions were within the Key West Police Department's policies and procedures, however, the officers should have provided Mr. Brace with more information regarding the reason for them being there and entering his home. Officer Hudson and Officer Tellier have been counseled in reference to this incident. They were advised that had they provided more information to Mr. Brace, while on scene, this situation may have been less stressful for Mr. Brace and his family.

*Note: Due to Ms. Grierson not wanting to pursue charges against Mr. Burley, an incident report was not completed regarding this incident. Copies of all BWC footage and the Communications Event Report (Dispatch Log) have been provided for your review.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jason Castillo", is written over a horizontal line.

Sergeant Jason Castillo

Professional Standards Division Commander



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COMMUNICATIONS

Event Report

Event ID: **192150020**

Call Ref #: 992

Date/Time Received: 08/03/19 03:01:09

Rpt #:	Prime 85	Services Involved	
Call Source: W911	Unit: HUDSON, ANDREW JOHN	LAW	
Location: 3601 NORTHSIDE DR			
X-ST: 17TH TER	Jur: CAD	Service: LAW	Agency: KWPD
18TH ST	St/Beat: B5	District: EAST	RA: DIII
Business:	Phone:	GP: GPB5	
Nature: VERBAL DISTURBANCE	Alarm Lvl: 1	Priority: 3	Medical Priority:
Reclassified Nature:			
Caller: DEANNA GRIERSON		Alarm:	
Addr: 3601 NORTHSIDE DRIVE		Alarm Type:	
Vehicle #: ZKZI60	St: FL	Report Only: No	Race: Sex: Age:
Call Taker: MBEATTIE		Console: 1850	
Geo-Verified Addr.: Yes		Nature Summary Code:	Disposition: NR Close Comments:
<p>Notes: {85} MADE CONTACT WITH HOMEOWNER--T13 [08/03/19 03:37:52 NSMITH]</p> <p>{85} MAKING ENTRY [08/03/19 03:27:26 NSMITH]</p> <p>{60} OPEN DOOR AT 1015 SOUTH ST [08/03/19 03:26:52 NSMITH]</p> <p>UDTS: {60} CHECKING THE AREA [08/03/19 03:18:05 NSMITH]</p> <p>UDTS: {85} CHECKING THE AREA [08/03/19 03:18:04 NSMITH]</p> <p>{85} T17 AREA FOR SUSP--CAB DRIVER ADV HE DROPPED HIM CLOSE BY [08/03/19 03:17:59 NSMITH]</p> <p>called five sixes to have cab 39 return. [08/03/19 03:06:33 MBEATTIE]</p> <p>caller is on front of 3601 northside - works at mangos and cowboy bii's and met sean in his own cab at her home. he got in a verbal on the lawn grabbed caller by the arm and took her bag and left in his own cab. caller told cab driver he was stealing her bag and he drove off. [08/03/19 03:04:58 MBEATTIE]</p> <p>sean lives at 1015 south [08/03/19 03:03:12 MBEATTIE]</p> <p>sean burley taking bags in bag with a burly driver in maxi taxi 39 [08/03/19 03:02:39 MBEATTIE]</p> <p>verbal dispute in a cab [08/03/19 03:01:51 MBEATTIE]</p>			

Times

	Time From Call Received	
Call Received: 08/03/19 03:01:09		
Call Routed: 08/03/19 03:02:52	000:01:43	Unit Reaction: 000:02:58 (1st Dispatch to 1st Arrive)
Call Take Finished: 08/03/19 03:02:52	000:01:43	En-Route: 000:00:01 (1st Dispatch to 1st En-Route)
1st Dispatch: 08/03/19 03:03:30	000:02:21 (Time Held)	On-Scene: 000:31:29 (1st Arrive to Last Clear)
1st En-Route: 08/03/19 03:03:31	000:02:22	
1st Arrive: 08/03/19 03:06:28	000:05:19 (Reaction Time)	
Last Clear: 08/03/19 03:37:57	000:36:48	

Radio Log

Unit	Empl ID	Type	Description	Time Stamp	Comments	Close Code	User
85	3940	DXY	DispatchXY	08/03/19 03:03:30	393638.40,83827.77		NSMITH
85	3940	D	Dispatched	08/03/19 03:03:30	Stat/Beat: TRAF		NSMITH

60	3544	DXY	DispatchXY	08/03/19 03:03:30	400431.20,85060.61	NSMITH
60	3544	D	Dispatched	08/03/19 03:03:30	Stat/Beat: B6	NSMITH
85	3940	E	En-Route	08/03/19 03:03:31		NSMITH
60	3544	E	En-Route	08/03/19 03:03:31		NSMITH
60	3544	A	Arrived	08/03/19 03:06:28		NSMITH
85	3940	A	Arrived	08/03/19 03:07:45		NSMITH
85	3940	T17	{85} CHECKING THE A	08/03/19 03:18:04		NSMITH
60	3544	T17	{60} CHECKING THE A	08/03/19 03:18:04		NSMITH
60	3544	L	Location Change	08/03/19 03:24:26	1015 SOUTH ST	NSMITH
85	3940	L	Location Change	08/03/19 03:24:26	1015 SOUTH ST	NSMITH
85	3940	C	Cleared	08/03/19 03:37:57	NR	NR NSMITH
60	3544	C	Cleared	08/03/19 03:37:57	NR	NR NSMITH

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Unit	Empl ID	Type	Description	Time Stamp	Comments	Close Code	User
		TR	Time Received	08/03/19 03:01:09	By: E911		MBEATTIE
		ENT	Entered Street	08/03/19 03:01:09	COLLEGE RD - sw sector		MBEATTIE
		CHG	Changed Street	08/03/19 03:01:19	5415 COLLEGE RD --> 3601 NORTHSI		MBEATTIE
		CHG	Changed AddSt	08/03/19 03:01:24	DIST: 1001.76 FT -->		MBEATTIE
		ENT	Entered Nature	08/03/19 03:01:26	VERBAL DISTURBANCE		MBEATTIE
		CHG	Changed CallerAddress	08/03/19 03:01:30	5415 COLLEGE RD -->		MBEATTIE
		ENT	Entered Remarks	08/03/19 03:01:51			MBEATTIE
		ENT	Entered VehicleID	08/03/19 03:02:16	[ID: 218779] ZKZI60		MBEATTIE
		ENT	Entered LicenseType	08/03/19 03:02:16	[ID: 218779] PC		MBEATTIE
		ENT	Entered VehicleState	08/03/19 03:02:16	[ID: 218779] FL		MBEATTIE
		ARM	Added Remarks	08/03/19 03:02:39			MBEATTIE
		ENT	Entered CallerName_Ca	08/03/19 03:02:52	SIENA GRISON		MBEATTIE
		FIN	Finished Call Taking	08/03/19 03:02:52			MBEATTIE
		ARM	Added Remarks	08/03/19 03:03:12			MBEATTIE
		ARM	Added Remarks	08/03/19 03:04:58			MBEATTIE
		ARM	Added Remarks	08/03/19 03:06:33			MBEATTIE
		RSW	Reset Watchdog Timer	08/03/19 03:13:56	Units: 60,85 >>> 60Min.		NSMITH
60	3544	NCIC	QRY:Drivers	08/03/19 03:14:54	UNIT:60 FNAME=SEAN LNAME=BIHRL		Unit:60
85	3940	NCIC	QRY:Drivers	08/03/19 03:15:07	UNIT:85 FNAME=SEAN LNAME=BIHRL		Unit:85
		ARM	Added Remarks	08/03/19 03:17:59			NSMITH
		ARM	Added Remarks	08/03/19 03:18:04			NSMITH
		RSW	Reset Watchdog Timer	08/03/19 03:18:04	Units: 85,60 >>> 5Min.		NSMITH
		ARM	Added Remarks	08/03/19 03:18:05			NSMITH
		RSW	Reset Watchdog Timer	08/03/19 03:18:05	Units: 85,60 >>> 5Min.		NSMITH
		CHG	Changed CallerName_C	08/03/19 03:23:53	SIENA GRISON --> DEANNA GARRIS		MBEATTIE
		ENT	Entered CallerAddress	08/03/19 03:24:06	3601 NORTHSIDE DRIVE		MBEATTIE
		CHG	Changed CallerName_C	08/03/19 03:24:40	DEANNA GARRISON --> DEANNA GR		MBEATTIE
		VCH	Viewed Call History	08/03/19 03:24:56	Location Information		MBEATTIE
		ARM	Added Remarks	08/03/19 03:26:52			NSMITH
		ARM	Added Remarks	08/03/19 03:27:26			NSMITH
		RSW	Reset Watchdog Timer	08/03/19 03:31:00	Units: 60,85 >>> 60Min.		NSMITH
		ARM	Added Remarks	08/03/19 03:37:52			NSMITH

