

North Eastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council

AFTER-ACTION REPORT

Call-out

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Location: █ Linden St Lowell, MA	Date: 02/05/2013
Begin Time: 1600	End Time: 2200
# Personnel Responding: 26	On-scene Commander Lt. Chaput

Call-out Summary:

NEMLEC SWAT executed high risk warrant service with LPD Vice Unit at

█ Linden St in Lowell. 18 SWAT Officers were supported by negotiators, K9

And IMAT personnell.

Events/Items of Note:

Narcotics and cash recovered and multiple arrests by LPD.

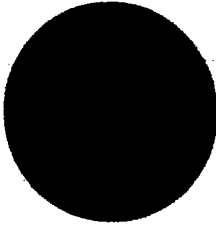
Attachments: Roster, After Action Reports

Submitted By: Lt. Chaput

Submitted Date: 02/15/2015

Control Chief _____
Signature

Date: _____



Northeastern Massachusetts Law Enforcement Council

Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT)

Chief Michael R. Begonis
Control Officer
Wilmington Police Dept.

Lt. Stephen D. Chaput
Commanding Officer
Dracut Police Department

Sgt. Patrick Towle
Officer-in-Charge
Bedford Police Dept.

TO: Chief Michael R. Begonis
FROM: Lt. Stephen D. Chaput
DATE: February 5, 2013
SUBJ: SWAT callout to Lowell

On February 5, 2013 the NEMLEC SWAT team was activated to respond and stage at the Lowell Police SIS offices for a high risk warrant service. SIS detective Michael Kandrotas had obtained a NO KNOCK search warrant 13SW0016 for the target address of [REDACTED] Linden St., First Floor in Lowell. The search warrant was for heroin. Information received from a confidential informant suggested that the targets inside the address may be in possession of a small handgun which they intended to sell. Information was also obtained that a large pit bull dog was inside the dwelling. The targets of the search warrant were one [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] Also believed to be residing at [REDACTED] Linden St. was [REDACTED] wife as well as a possible child.

Upon arriving to SIS I was briefed by Sgt. Noone and Lt. Golner as to the concept of the operation. Following this brief I conducted a pre raid reconnaissance of the target location while SIS maintained constant surveillance. Also on the reconnaissance were Detective Kandrotas and Sgt. Peaslee (Negotiator).

Following the surveillance drive-by an operational plan was developed. This plan called for the alpha team to conduct a primary breach on Side 2. This side was believed to be the primary door for illegal drug activity. A secondary breach would be conducted by the Bravo team on the front door of the apartment on side 1. Following this breach entry would be made and limited to the living room. This plan was also reviewed by SIS. The team was then assembled and individual assignments were issued.

At this time the SWAT Team conducted a briefing and assigned two entry (Alpha and Bravo) teams. The mission was for the Alpha Team to be the primary entry on the one side of the building while the Bravo Team breached the common exterior door on the four side, continued to the first door on the left side and conducted a breach and hold. The Bravo Team would also secure the perimeter during the execution.

The Alpha team consisted of the following operators in movement order:

1. Officer Charles DiChiara- Hands Free
2. Sgt. Christian Max- Shield
3. Officer Stephen Cogswell-Less Lethal, Taser
4. Sgt. James Fay- Team Leader
5. Sgt. Jonathan Seamans-Ram
6. Officer Paul Dorsey-Long Arm
7. Officer Stephen Cogswell
8. Sgt. Mark Gualtieri-Taser
9. Sgt. Christopher Troiano
10. Officer Jeffrey Shelley
11. Sgt. David Peaslee-Negotiator, Driver

The Bravo Team consisted of the following operators in movement order:

1. Sgt. Mark Bourque-Shield
2. Sgt. Stephen McCarthy-Long Arm, ATL
3. LT. Carmine Vivolo-Team Leader
4. Officer Sean O'Leary-Halogen, Handgun
5. Officer Patrick Noonan-Ram
6. Sgt. Stephen Keins-Less Lethal-Perimeter
7. Officer Eric Palmer-Halogen, Handgun-Perimeter
8. Sgt. Mark Higginbottom-Negotiator, Driver
9. LT. Stephen Chaput-Z1-Perimeter

During the execution of the target location the Alph

After conducting an operational brief to the team brief backs were conducted. Individual teams prepared for their assignments. A team rehearsal was then conducted.

Once final preparations were made the team prepared to move. The team departed the staging area on a pre designated route to the target location. As the team approached the target address of [REDACTED] Linden St. vehicles stopped on Auburn St. at Linden St. The teams dismounted the vans and proceeded to their designated breach points. Upon approaching the number 1 side Sgt. Fay gave a visual signal to the Bravo Team Leader Lt. Vivolo identifying the Bravo team entry point. Sgt. Fay then proceeded to guide the Alpha team to their entry point. Operator DiChiara proceeded to open a side screen door. Operator Seamans then conducted a breach of the main side door. This door was breached. Upon entering the target dwelling Operator Seamans entered the kitchen. From the kitchen he located one [REDACTED] in the only bathroom. Ms. [REDACTED] appeared to be preparing illegal drugs for use intravenously. She was handcuffed and subsequently placed under arrest.

Located in the kitchen were two young children and two adults:

[REDACTED] wife of [REDACTED] later arrested by SIS.

[REDACTED] daughter of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] daughter of [REDACTED]

A second adult [REDACTED] handcuffed by Operator DiChiara.

Located in the right rear bedroom was:

[REDACTED]

They were subsequently handcuffed by Operators Max and Frechette.

Also located in this bedroom with the targets was a third child [REDACTED]
(son of [REDACTED])

At this time all of the children were immediately escorted out of the house along with [REDACTED]. This was done for their safety due to the perceived factors at the time.

Once the scene was secured and all persons handcuffed for safety reasons, SIS detectives were called to the apartment.

Detectives were immediately able to locate illegal drugs.
All five adults in the house were placed under arrest for drug charges and subsequently transported to the Lowell Police station for booking.
The three children of the defendants were transported to Lowell General Hospital by Trinity Ambulance while SIS detectives notified DCF and filed a 51A.

Located in the apartment were numerous items of drug paraphernalia as well as heroin and illegal pills. Also located was a replica .357 handgun.

The SWAT Team cleared the scene and responded back to the staging area for a debriefing.

**NEMLEC
SWAT - CNT - K9 - IMAT
ATTENDANCE SHEET**

EVENT: Lowell

DATE: 02/05/13

	NAME	DEPT	PRESENT	ABSENT	IN-ROUTE
	Banosian, Shiraz, Ptl	Belmont			
	Borque, Mark, SGT	Tyngsboro	x		
	Callahan, Jeff, SGT	Waltham			
	Chaput, Stephen, LT	Dracut	x		
	Cogswell, Steve, Ptl	Billerica	x		
	DiChiara, Chuck, Ptl	Waltham	x		
S	Dicker, Tom, Ptl	Watertown			
	Dorsey, Paul, Ptl	No. Reading	x		
W	Fay, James, SGT	Lowell	x		
	Ferguson, Chuck, Ptl	Burlington			
A	Fuller, Carl, LT	Winchester			
	Frechette, David, SGT	Lowell	x		
T	Gualtieri, Mark, SGT	Billerica	x		
	Heller, Thomas, Ptl	Stoneham			
	Keins, Steven, SGT	Westford	x		
	Max, Chris, SGT	Methuen	x		
	McCarthy, Stephen, SGT	Waltham	x		
	McDonough, Tim, SGT	Burlington			
	Noonan, Patrick, Ptl	No. Andover	x		
	O'Leary, Sean, Ptl	No. Reading	x		
	Palmer, Eric	Wilmington	x		
	Rego, Daniel, Ptl	Somerville			
	Saia, Mark, Ptl	Peabody			
	Scotina, Alfred, Ptl	Peabody			
	Seamans, John, SGT	Dracut	x		
	Shackelford, Kevin, Ptl	Somerville			
	Shelly, Jeffrey, Ptl	Concord	x		
	Surette, Robert	Lincoln			
	Towe, Pat, SGT	Bedford			
	Troiano, Chris, Ptl	Concord	x		
	Vaglica, James, SGT	Waltham			
	Vivolo, Carmine, LT	Somerville	x		
	NAME	DEPT	PRESENT	ABSENT	IN-ROUTE
	Fogarty, Andrea	CNT			
C	Foley, Brian	CNT			
	Herrera, Armand	CNT			
N	Higginbottom, Mark, SGT	CNT - OIC	x		
	Peaslee, David	CNT	x		
T	Post, Greg	CNT	x		
	Ricci, Eric	CNT			
	Scharnick, Sean	CNT			
	Sedgwick, David	CNT			

S	Bradbury, Jerry	MEDIC		
U	Clark, Keith	MEDIC		
P	Regan, Tim	MEDIC	x	
T	Russell, Wes	MEDIC		
	Cooper, Paul	Support		
	NAME	DEPT	PRESENT	ABSENT
	Harring, John	Billerica		
	Palmer, Eric	Wilmington		
	Hogan, Michael	Arlington		
K	Tsoukalas, Mark	Billerica		
	Papsedero, Joe	Burlington		
9	Kinney, Brian	Lowell		
	Peladeau, Corey	Westford	x	
	Toumyan, Slyvia	Concord		
	Fogg, Mike	Waltham		
	Picallo, Al	Tewksbury		
	Polston, Mike	Malden		
	Connors, Michael	Andover		
	Roccicone, Brett	Wakefield		
	NAME	DEPT	PRESENT	ABSENT
	Arnold, Scott	Waltham	x	
	Buckley, William	MSO		
	Burnham, Ken	Lynnfield FD		
I	Cassidy, Shane	MSO		
	D'Agostino, Phil	Watertown		
M	Davis, Damien	MSO		
	Duffill, John	Danvers		
T	Dragone, Lauren	Newton		
	Eldridge, Frank	Newton		
	Foley, Mike	Arlington		
	Griffin, Michael	Salem		
	Keefe, Brian	Lowell		
	Landers, Richard	Concord		
	Magee, Dave	Woburn		
	Malm, Chris	Wakefield		
	Mathers, David	Amesbury	x	
	Mondalto, Jamie	Danvers		
	Riccio, James	Belmont		
	Riendeau, Dan	Cataldo		
	Rudolph, Mark	Medford		
	Ryan, Christopher	Andover		
	Scafidi, Jeff	Armstrong		
	Scholtz, William	Amesbury		
	Skory, Steve	Wakefield		
	Simonds, Dave	Woburn		
	Spinosa, David	Lexington		
	Stokes, Keegan	Salem		
	Thibodeau, Joseph	N. Reading		
	Trombly, James	Contractor		

Vinciulla, Jeffrey	Bedford	x		
Vestri, Fabrizio	Pepperell			

NAME	DEPT	PRESENT	ABSENT	IN-ROUTE
Fram, Thomas	Methuen			
Sheehan, Timothy	Tewksbury			
Begonis, Michael	Wilmington			
Fisher, John	Carlisle			
Picariello, Robert	Marblehead			
Palma, Donald	Groton			
Ray, Mark	Beverly			

TIMES: 1600-2000

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