

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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UPDATE #1 - Officer Involved Shooting Incident on Oak Street

June 5, 2024 - The Beloit Police Department is investigating an officer involved shooting that occurred in the City of Beloit, Wednesday, May 29.

At approximately 1:34 p.m., officers with the Beloit Police Department responded to a 911 call for a reported male running through backyards in the 800 block of Oak Street in the City of Beloit. When they arrived officers located an adult male, who had verbal contact with an officer. During that encounter the male, who has been identified as Thomas Sykes, sprinted towards the officer in an aggressive manner. The officer gave several verbal commands for the male to stop. Sykes continued his aggressive behavior. The officer fired at Sykes, missing him. Sykes was taken into custody and transported for medical clearance.

At the initial scene, investigating officers interviewed potential witnesses and obtained statements.

No officers were treated for any injuries. Involved law enforcement were wearing body cameras during the incident.

The Beloit Police is leading this investigation. This matter is still considered ongoing and further information will be released at the completion of the investigation.

Andre Sayles
Chief of Police

ORIGINAL Beloit, WI - May 29, 2024 - The Beloit Police Department responded to a call in the 800 block of Oak Street in the City of Beloit regarding an unwanted subject. Upon arrival, officers were confronted by a male who aggressively attacked one of our officers.

During the altercation, a firearm was discharged. Thankfully, no injuries were sustained by either the officers or the suspect. The individual was subsequently taken into custody without further incident.

We commend our officers for their quick and professional response to a potentially dangerous situation, ensuring the safety of all involved. This incident is a reminder of the unpredictable nature of police work and the bravery exhibited by our officers daily.

The incident is currently under investigation, and we are committed to transparency throughout this process. Further details will be released as they become available.

We appreciate the community's support and cooperation.

Andre Sayles
Chief of Police