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Video: Police release footage of Cheektowaga fatal shooting



Cheektowaga Police Chief David Zack describes what is being shown on the video of the March 5 shooting at a press conference Wednesday. (John Hickey/Buffalo News)

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A man carrying a gun walks in front of a police car and

He moves past the car, beyond the view of the dash-cam of a commotion.

Then come two loud pops.

Those were among the final moments of Darrell P. Bos video and hotel surveillance footage Cheektowaga police time these images were made public.

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A Cheektowaga officer shot Bosell, 34, at about 11 p.m. Western Hotel on Genesee Street, across from the Bu

Cheektowaga Police Chief David J. Zack called his age said he expects the case to be turned over to the Erie end of the week.

“We have concluded that the officer involved acted pr use of deadly force in this incident was justified,” Zack reiterating the department’s previous statements that justified.

Bosell, of the Town of Java in Wyoming County, was sl has not been identified. Bosell later died at the hospita could have been a case of “suicide by cop.”



The footage police released Wednesday captured Bos before he approached the officer with a gun. The foot

- Bosell and another person, whom police declined to 10 p.m.
- Photos of Bosell’s room taken after the shooting shc bottle of whiskey. There was also a chair near the win would have been gathered that night.
- About 20 minutes before he leaves the hotel, Bosell i caliber handgun.
- At 10:58 p.m., Bosell leaves his room, walks down the the door of another room. He then heads down some : Bosell holding the gun.
- The in-car camera then captures Bosell walking out parking lot. The black-and-white dash-cam footage sl car from the side, walking between police vehicles. As shines a spotlight on him. Bosell pulls down his hood a

“He’s right here with a gun,” the officer is heard saying

That was when Bosell raised his gun and pointed it at and it sounds like commotion.

Bosell tried to open the door of the police car and twic vehicle, according to police. The officer drew his gun the car door and got out.

“Radio, he’s got a gun out on me outside,” the officer s

...and he's got a gun out on the outside, the officer s

A few seconds later, the officer says "on me" again.

Then the sound of the two gunshots.

Bosell and the officer were about two feet from each c

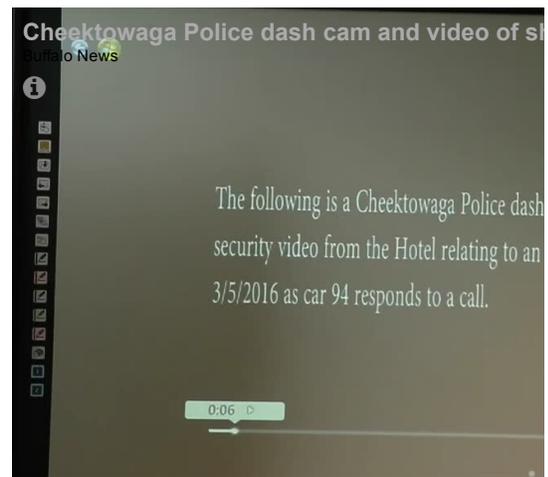
Police had previously said (<http://www.buffalonews.com/news/2016/03/06/police-was-required-to-use-deadly-force-in-fatal-shooting-20160306>) they believed that the officer was justified i

Police on Wednesday again expressed their condolenc

His department is "committed to transparency" and th release the footage to the public, Zack said.

"I would say that was amazing composure by the offic video. "He's sitting there with a gun that he believes to communicating with responding officers and dispatch fortunately he was able to exit the vehicle and did wha

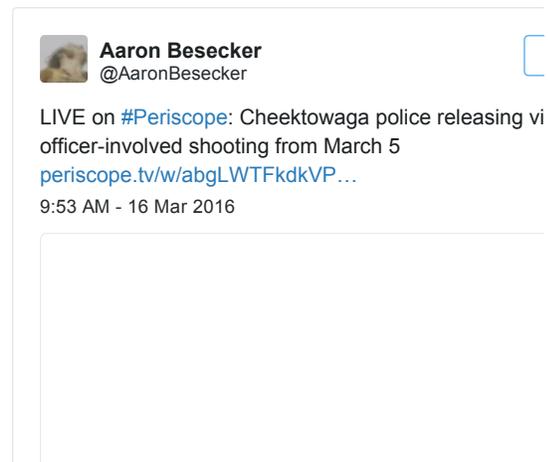
Here's the footage with Zack's commentary:



The officer involved has been described as a 16-year veteran who was also specially trained in crisis management. This occurred in the period before police located him at the hotel.

Police have declined to share many details about what happened or the officer's health. "We are aware of a mental health history. We're not talking about this time," Zack said.

Here's the full news conference, archived on Periscope





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Bosell had been drinking all day, police have previously (http://www.buffalonews.com/city-region/man-kill-troubled-20160307) that when Bosell drank, he changed potentially dangerous to himself and others.

Police used Bosell's cellphone signal (http://www.buffalonews.com/city-region/cheektowaga/cellphone-tracking-led-cheektowaga-20160307) to track his location after State Police notified a relative. They believe Bosell also stole a large amount of ammunition. They have declined to say if or where the

Zack said he believes this shooting underscores the need for crisis intervention, saying it should be added to basic training for officers. The chief also likened the scope of mental health issues to the current opioid epidemic.

"It's truly a challenge," he said.

The officer – whose identity will be revealed when the review of the case, Zack said – remains on paid administrative leave.

There are currently no comments.

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