

January 7, 2021

Dear Chief,

On 1/5/2021, I responded to 16 Lincoln Street in Newton Highlands for a report of a man with a knife, a possible armed robbery at Indulge candy store in Newton Highlands. I was assigned to 516 and I pulled up with 498, Off Raymond, in front of Indulge and parked my cruiser across the street. I saw a white male coming out of the front door of Indulge. As I exited my cruiser, I heard dispatch say the suspect was wearing a green coat. The suspect I saw was wearing a green coat, and when he saw the responding officers he abruptly went into the adjacent doorway, #18 Lincoln Street, and ran up the stairs. Off Raymond was ahead of me going up the stairs. When I reached the top of the stairs on the second floor I saw the male at the top of the third floor waving a knife in his hand and yelling loudly.

Other officers were arriving on scene and remained on the second floor stairway yelling repeated commands to "drop the knife". The man would not drop the knife and continued to yell and scream in an irrational manner. The man was banging on the door to apartment #3 and was calling for his father, his real father and the FBI.

When the suspect saw me he asked me who I was and I identified myself as Detective Curry with Newton Police. He turned his attention away from me. Off Raymond was trying to calm him, trying to engage him, asking his name, offering to contact his father and offering to get him help. The man did not respond appropriately to commands and questions and continued wave the knife in a threatening manner towards officers and towards himself. He was very agitated, angry and threatening during the entire encounter.

As more officers arrived on scene, I stepped back on the second floor landing to radio dispatch and requested a less than a lethal weapon and an ambulance respond to the scene for an EDP. On scene, I learned of a possible name of the

suspect and advised Newton Control. When Sgt. McLean arrived on scene with a less than lethal shotgun and shortly thereafter Lt. D'Angelo arrived on scene with a body bunker, I took up a position on the first floor at the front door.

Upon arrival of Capt. Marzilli and Capt. Dowling, I updated them as to the suspect's position on the third floor stairwell and the responding officers' positions on the second floor stairwell.

I interviewed the original complainant, Linda Gulman, and owner of Indulge in her business in depth. Another woman, Wendy Green, was present, but was not herself a witness.

Sometime later, I heard gunshots and shortly thereafter there was a call over the air "shots fired" and then a call for the medics. I waved the medics over who were on scene on Lincoln Street and they were directed up the stairs, where they attended to the injured suspect.

State Police Lt. William Donahue and Trp. Sean O'Brien arrived on scene shortly after 3:00 PM and were updated. ADA Adrian Lynch also arrived on scene and was updated. I then returned to the station to write a report.

Respectfully submitted,

Detective Carolyn Curry