



Wabasha County Sheriff Office

INCIDENT REPORT

Case:

Incident: 202100003822

INCIDENT DATES/TIMES:

Reported Date/Time: 07/19/2021 16:19:34

Earliest Date/Time:

Latest Date/Time:

LEADS #:

Activity: Sudden Death

INCIDENT LOCATION:

75th St NE Olmsted County MN Olmsted County

OFFENSES:

UCR Code	Statute #	Statute - Description
	WCSO	See Comment Field

COMPLAINANT:

Name: Corbin, Zachary Daniel
Address:
City/State/ZIP: Plainview, MN 55964

DOB:
Race:
Sex:
Adult/Juv:

Tel #1:
Tel #2:

PROPERTY VEHICLE:

Plate #	State	Type	VIN	Yr	Make	Model	Color	Value
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SYNOPSIS:

helicopter crash - struck power lines

OFFICERS ASSIGNED:

WCME WCME Medical Examiner



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SUBJECT(S) INVOLVED:

Contact 001

Name: Corbin, Daniel Stephen
Address: [REDACTED]
City/St: Plainview, MN 55964
Phone 1: [REDACTED]
Phone 2: [REDACTED]
SSN: [REDACTED]
OLN: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]
Race: [REDACTED]
Sex: [REDACTED]
Age: [REDACTED]
Height: [REDACTED]
Weight: [REDACTED]
ST: [REDACTED]

Ethn: [REDACTED]
Hair: [REDACTED]
Eyes: [REDACTED]
Skin: [REDACTED]
Face: [REDACTED]
Dangerous: [REDACTED]
Resident: [REDACTED]

Contact 002

Name: Levan, Bradley Alan
Address: [REDACTED]
City/St: Plainview, MN 55964
Phone 1: [REDACTED]
Phone 2: [REDACTED]
SSN: [REDACTED]
OLN: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]
Race: [REDACTED]
Sex: [REDACTED]
Age: [REDACTED]
Height: [REDACTED]
Weight: [REDACTED]
ST: [REDACTED]

Ethn: [REDACTED]
Hair: [REDACTED]
Eyes: [REDACTED]
Skin: [REDACTED]
Face: [REDACTED]
Dangerous: [REDACTED]
Resident: [REDACTED]

Contact 003

Name: Levan, Todd Michael
Address: [REDACTED]
City/St: Elgin, MN 55932
Phone 1: [REDACTED]
Phone 2: [REDACTED]
SSN: [REDACTED]
OLN: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]
Race: [REDACTED]
Sex: [REDACTED]
Age: [REDACTED]
Height: [REDACTED]
Weight: [REDACTED]
ST: [REDACTED]

Ethn: [REDACTED]
Hair: [REDACTED]
Eyes: [REDACTED]
Skin: [REDACTED]
Face: [REDACTED]
Dangerous: [REDACTED]
Resident: [REDACTED]

Victim 001

Name: Adcock, Corey James
Address: Unknown
City/St: [REDACTED]
Phone 1: [REDACTED]
Phone 2: [REDACTED]
SSN: [REDACTED]
OLN: [REDACTED]

DOB: [REDACTED]
Race: [REDACTED]
Sex: [REDACTED]
Age: [REDACTED]
Height: [REDACTED]
Weight: [REDACTED]
ST: [REDACTED]

Ethn: [REDACTED]
Hair: [REDACTED]
Eyes: [REDACTED]
Skin: [REDACTED]
Face: [REDACTED]
Dangerous: [REDACTED]
Resident: [REDACTED]

SUBJECT(S) INVOLVED EMPLOYMENT INFO (IF ANY):

Name: [REDACTED] DOB: [REDACTED]
Employer: 0000 Employer Phone: [REDACTED]

SUBJECT(S) INVOLVED VEHICLES (IF ANY):

Name: [REDACTED] DOB: [REDACTED]
Plate #: [REDACTED] State: [REDACTED] Type: [REDACTED] VIN: [REDACTED]
Yr: [REDACTED] Make/model: [REDACTED] Color: [REDACTED]

PROPERTY:



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<i>Loss</i>									
<i>No.</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Qty.</i>	<i>Make/Model/Style</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Serial #</i>	<i>Value</i>	<i>Evd.</i>	<i>RecDate</i>	<i>Rec Val</i>
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APPROVALS:

<i>Function</i>	<i>ID</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Status</i>
Entered				
Investigated				
Reviewed				

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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

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- Digital Photos 26_ Digital Video__ Audio Recording__ Squad Video__ CD__ DVD__
- Specify _____

Date of This Report:

SYNOPSIS: Crop spraying helicopter crashed in a corn field and the pilot was found deceased in the wreckage.

On 07-19-2021 at around 1557 hours, I heard deputies and the Elgin Fire Department being dispatched to a helicopter crash near [REDACTED] 75th St NE, Elgin. Dispatch confirmed the field that the helicopter landed in was located in Wabasha County.

I did/observed the following:

- When I arrived, Deputy Bade, Detective Sturgis, and the Elgin Fire Department was on the scene.
- The helicopter was still smoldering and smelled from the fire.
- I could see the burned body of the male on the left side of the helicopter. (Left side as one would be sitting inside the aircraft). The male was unrecognizable due to burns to the majority of his body. He was laying face down and his head was nearest the engine.
- The tail was laying next to the aircraft as well and the aircraft number was not readable.
- A large power line runs diagonally through this cornfield and one of the lines was cut in two. It was lying on the ground. I later went with Dairyland Energy Company and found the end of the east line about 10 yards from the final crash site. We cut a 5 foot section of this cable for the FAA to examine.
- I noticed a path in the corn that had been chopped off as the helicopter came to a rest on the ground. The origin of this path started closer the power lines.
- I took photos of the scene and they are attached to this file.
- I coordinated with FAA and NTSB to investigate the crash. FAA arrived around 1900 hours and NTSB arrived around 1100 hours on 07-20-2021.

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• I assisted the FAA with delivering a “tox box” to the medical examiner’s office on 07-20-2021. • I assisted as needed with the investigation. End of Report Struwe [REDACTED] <i>Detective Name & Badge Number</i>	

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SYNOPSIS:

On 07/19/2021 at approximately 4:00 PM, I Deputy Jason Bade was on patrol in the city of Elgin when I heard Elgin Fire Department paged for a downed helicopter near [REDACTED] 75th St NE. Portions of 75th St NE is the split between Wabasha and Olmsted Counties and it was unknown what county the crashed helicopter was at. I responded and as I was approximately one mile from the crash, I could see black smoke coming from the crash site. Due to the location of the smoke, I determined that crash site was in Wabasha County.

I was first on scene with Investigator Tom Sturgis pulling in behind me. I observed Daniel Stephen Corbin standing next to a UTV. As I exited my squad, I observed that one of the powerlines was down. I asked Corbin if he knew where the pilot was. Corbin shook his head no. He did advise that he made a path through the standing cornfield to the helicopter wreckage. Corbin advised he would take Investigator Sturgis and me down to the wreckage on his side by side.

Corbin quickly provided that he did not witness the crash. He advised that he knew there was a helicopter crop dusting in the field next to his house and he heard a loud bang and knew the helicopter crashed. Corbin also advised that he contacted Brad Levan who owns a local helicopter service that does crop dusting. Levan had advised that the helicopter was not his but was working for him as a contracted helicopter from Texas.

At the crash site, I observed that the helicopter was severely mangled and was still on fire. I was able to see a human body in the wreckage that had been severely burned. The body appeared to be face down with the head towards the engine part of the helicopter. The body was unrecognizable due to the burns and the Medical Examiner was requested at this time.

Due to the possibility of fuel and chemical leak from the crash, I contacted the MN Duty Officer. I spoke with

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Emily [REDACTED]. She assigned report #200242 for this incident. I continued contact with the Duty Officer when new information was gathered that included locating Skyhawk Aviation's work order for this specific cornfield. The work order included an aerial photo of this field along with what chemical combination was used on the field. The combination included Veltyma, Acuvant and Water. The work order also included a start time of 3:00 that was written in pen.

I was also contacted by Paul Haiker from the MN Department of Ag. Haiker was also advised of the chemical combination that had been being applied to the cornfield. He was also advised that the tank from the helicopter was located near the crash site and was covered by downed corn stalks. It was also discovered that the tank had a small leak and the liquid contents had been dripping out. The liquid was contained under the tank and was not spreading.

I briefly met with Skyhawk Aviation owner Brad Levan. Levan advised that the pilot was up from Texas helping him treat area fields. Levan provided that the pilot/victim was Corey Adcock from Victoria, Texas and the helicopter (tail # N44BJ) was owned by his uncle Todd Levan. Texas authorities were contacted to obtain a full name and date of birth for the victim Corey James Adcock [REDACTED]. Texas authorities also notified Adcock's next of kin.

I remained on scene and assisted with the investigation as needed and cleared when the scene was turned over to night deputies, as the scene would need to be turned over the FAA and NTSB at 11:00 AM on 07/20/2021.

Photos that I took will be added to the ICR.

End of Report

Deputy Name & Badge Number

Jason Bade [REDACTED]

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SYNOPSIS:

- On 07/19/2021 at approximately 1600 hours, I, Detective Sturgis, [REDACTED], of the Wabasha County Sheriff's Office was on Hwy. 42, just south of Plainview when I heard dispatch page out ambulance and fire for a helicopter crash near [REDACTED] 75th St NE.
- Based on the caller's information, the crash would have been on the Wabasha County side of the road.
- I responded as I was approximately two miles from the crash location. I could see black smoke coming from the crash site.
- I arrived on scene moments after Deputy Bade. I grabbed my department fire extinguisher and joined Deputy Bade on the awaiting UTV owned/operated by Daniel Corbin.
- He brought us down the path of downed corn, which he had created to investigate/locate the helicopter wreckage.
- I observed a mangled helicopter on fire.
- I used my extinguisher to attempt to extinguish the fire, but the heat/fuel was too much. I emptied the extinguisher, with no success.
- Deputy Bade advised that he located a burned body within the wreckage.
- I remained on scene while fire department extinguished the fire. Once the fire was extinguished I observed the body, which was face down with the head towards the engine part of the helicopter.
- I, along with Deputy Speedling, [REDACTED], secured a large section of the area using yellow Police Tape for any follow-up investigations by the FAA and/or NTSB.
- There was a large area of corn that was knocked down by the helicopter as it crashed. I observed a power line had been it and severed, as well as another line that was damaged, but intact.
- While securing the area, I saw scattered parts of helicopter, and personal property of the pilot, which included a lunch box, cell phone and sunglasses.

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• I remained on scene for scene security and until the FAA arrived and did there preliminary investigation. • I pointed them to the area where the cell phone was fou • I cleared the scene around the 2030 hour. End of Report <i>Deputy Name & Badge Number</i> STURGIS [REDACTED]	