

NARRATIVE FOR PD PATROLMAN JOHN M JANAKOS

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On 08-19-16 at 1349 hrs, I was dispatched to a report of a plane that had emergency landed on the property of 215 Harwood Ave. I was advised that the pilot was not injured. I advised dispatch to notify the Littleton Fire Department to respond as I headed to the location. I then dispatched to Car 1 who also responded. Upon arrival, Officer Odonoghue and I found a single engine Cessna plane on the property line to the right rear of the dwelling at 215 Harwood ave. We were approached by the pilor who advised that he was okay and appeared to have a few minor lacerations on his left leg. He identified himself as James Magee of Littleton. He stated that he was heading from Sanford, Maine back to Minuteman airfield in Stowe, Ma. He stated that the engine rpms cut out and he knew he would not make it back to the airfield so he made an emergency landing in the open area of the property. At this time, I notified dispatch to cal l the FAA and advised of the minor injuries for the Fire department. Sgt. Pinard, Fernandez, Detective Crory and Chief King arrived shortly after. Chief King advised to also notify tha NTSB and the State Police A3.

Trooper Cziczek arrived shortly after and checked over the scene and then cleared. Officer Odonoghue taped off the scene and advised neighbors from the Bumblebee area to keep clear of the scene. We checked the plane which was numbered (N923OU). It appeared to be badly damaged but had no fluid leaks or smoke. The Littleton Fire Department who was also on scene also confirmed that. Several employees including the Chief pilot Devin Weibe arrived on scene to check out the plane and they spoke with Sgt. Fernandez.

I was then advised that I could clear to file my report and spoke with the reporting party, (palmer) who was working at the property. He advised that he saw the plane gliding without power over the hill on the property where it crashed. He also contacted the homeowner (John Gill) of the incident. I then notified Sgt. Fernandez of the notification. Family members also arrived on scene as I cleared.

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On Friday August 19th 2016, I sergeant Pablo Fernandez was working daytime hours, assigned to the criminal investigation division for the Littleton Police Department.

At approximately 1350 hours, I overheard radio traffic from Officer Janakos, working uniformed patrol, that a small plane had emergency landed on the property of 215 Harwood Ave. At that time I had been working along side Detective Crory on other matters and both he and I responded along with Officer Odonoghue and Chief of Police Matthew King.

When Detective Crory and I arrived, officers had already been on scene and advised of the location of the plane. They advised that this was in fact a small engine plane that had crashed into the woodline on the back of the property for 215 Harwood Ave. 215 harwood Ave is approximately a 65 Acre parcel of land that had a large single family residence situated in the back of the this property. Most of the property is clear of trees and is essentially field and grassland.

On arrival Detective Crory took his camera, made his way to the crash site, and photographed the scene. Before I made my way to the crash site I met with a male party, identified as Greg Palmer. Mr. Palmer advised me that he had witnessed some of the planes final descent. I asked him to tell me what he saw and he said he was working inside the residence on the second floor and when he looked out of the window and observed a small plane gliding just over the top of a mound of dirt/grass outside the window. He told me he was sure the plane had no power and just after the plane went out of his sight behind the mound of dirt, he saw several trees shake and he knew the plane had come down.

After speaking with Mr. Palmer, I made my way to the crash site. I was advised that Detective Crory had taken photos. Officer Janakos was gathering information and continued to gain biographical information of persons that arrived. Crime scene tape was set up around the plane and the immediate area. Officer O'Donoghue maintained the scene. I inspected the plane with out any training on the mechanics of a plane made no observations as to the instrumentation of the plane. What I observed was that there were no signs or indocations of a suspicious nature inside or outside the plane.

I was informed by Chief King that he had instructed Littleton dispatch to make notifications to FAA, and State Police. Littleton Fire Department was on scene and informed us that it did not appear the plane was leaking hazardous material, as it layed. I was advised that they were evaluating the pilot of the plane.

I was later informed by Officer Janakos that the pilot, James Magee, was declaring he was not seriously injured and eventually signed a refusal form declining transport to the hospital. I spoke with Janakos about the pilot further and he informed me that the pilot was reporting that he had mechanical failure while in flight and lost power to the small plane and essentially glided down to where the plane came to rest. Janakos filled me in on the details of the flight that he had. Please see Officer Janakos narrative for further information.

Massachusetts State Police sent Trooper Ciszec from A3 brracks to the scene. He informed me on his arrival that he was the only response from State police and after he reviewed the scene and information we had he cleared. I eventually spoke with Littleton dispatch that advised me they had spoken with several individuals from the FAA by phone and eventually obtained a name and number for an inspector from the FAA, Ron Curtis. I contacted Inspector Curtis and he asked if I could electonically email him photos of the plane and area and he could make a

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determination if the FAA would be coming out. I sent Inspector Curtis several photos via email and then spoke to him again on the phone after the photos were sent. He advised me that he was satisfied with the photos and would not be coming out today. I informed him that that we still were declaring the area a scene and asked what steps he would like to be taken at this point. He advised me that the scene could be cleared and that typical procedure is to have the property owner coordinate with the plane owner and insurance on how and when to remove the plane. I advised him that I would do that.

After I got off the phone with Inspector Curtis I informed several individuals that were present from the Aptis Aviation and Minute Man airfield that the scene was clear. At that point Mr. Magee was assisted to get some of his personal belongings from the cab of the plane. Mr. Magee had several family members on scene at this point.

Just after the scene was opened, I was informed that the property owner's had arrived. I met with Mr. and Mrs. Gill and brought them down to where the plane was. I explained to them what we knew so far and what I was told would be the standard procedure to get the plane out and off their property. they also spoke with Deputy Fire Chief Clancy.

A short time later Jake Woodford arrived at 215 Harwood Ave. Mr. Woodford advised me that he was the owner of the plane. He was guided to where Mr. and Mrs. Gill were and they were introduced. Mr. Woodford informed me that he has already been in contact with his insurance company and would make the appropriate arrangements to remove the plane from 215 Harwood Ave. Both Mr. Woodford and Mr and Mrs Gill said that they would be all set to work out the arrangements and would contact this department if any issues came up. It was at that point that all police personel cleared from 215 Harwood Ave. Incident will be forwarded to FAA, per there request.

Respectfully submitted,

Det/Sgt Pablo Fernandez #15