



News Release

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Subject: Officer Meyer OVI

On Saturday, August 29, 2026, Officer John Meyer reported for duty at 1:30 p.m. and was found to be under the influence of alcohol. The administrative process outlined in the FOP's Collective Bargaining Agreement and the City of Mansfield's policies was initiated.

Officer Meyer was immediately relieved of duty and taken to Ohio Health to complete a drug and alcohol test. Officer Meyer was then placed on administrative leave pending further investigation.

At approximately 9:00 pm, we received notification that Officer Meyer had been stopped by the Ontario Police Department for operating a motor vehicle while under the influence. Subsequently, Officer Meyer was incarcerated at the Richland County Jail on charges of OVI, Marked Lanes Violation, Improper Lane Change, and Open Container.

Officer Meyer has been with the Division since January 28, 2014. There are no further details available at this time, as this matter involves both an active administrative investigation and a pending criminal case.