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Officer-Involved Shooting In Hahnville

On Thursday, September 26, 2024, at 7:00 AM, deputies with the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office were dispatched to Nicholas Street in Hahnville and advised that a man was walking on the street pointing a gun in a threatening manner at two people in the area. When deputies arrived on the scene, they saw a white male that they knew as Charles Verdin (58) sitting inside a van behind a warehouse in the driver's seat facing Nicholas Street.

Deputies tactically positioned themselves around the van and, for several minutes on their PA system, tried to convince Verdin to get out of the vehicle peacefully. Despite repeated efforts and commands to put the gun down and get out with his hands raised, Verdin refused and then aggressively pointed what appeared to be an AR-15-style rifle in the direction of deputies, prompting them to discharge their weapons. Verdin was struck several times. Deputies immediately administered emergency medical aid to Verdin until arriving EMTs took over. Verdin shortly thereafter died at the scene.

After crime scene technicians processed the scene, it was discovered that the firearm held by Verdin was a realistic appearing "airsoft" type gun.

Charles Verdin had an extensive criminal history dating back to 2003 that included drug charges, aggravated assault, criminal trespass, theft, simple battery, DWI, and aggravated assault against a peace officer with a motor vehicle. At the start of September, Verdin was served a restraining order instructing him to stay away from a resident living on Nicholas Street in Hahnville.