

OrangeTV re: dog shooting (7.11.14):

Exactly, Randy. What the hell is wrong with our Police Department when they can't even issue a statement with at least SOME semblance of human compassion and emotion involved? "Sorry for the grief the dog owner is feeling" is not exactly atonement and sincerity. How about an apology for shooting the poor dog in the first place. Even if it is later revealed that the shooting was somehow legit (unlikely), such an apology would at least go miles toward public relations in the mean time. Oh, wait. That would require admitting they made a mistake and of course the almighty PD is superhuman and infallible, so that would never happen.

And here we have hints at yet another "internal investigation", which smart readers will recognize as code word for "if we actually do an investigation at all you will never know the results of said investigation because we do not share any information with the taxpaying public that we aren't absolutely forced to", even though the taxpayers themselves (for the most part) provide the department with the paper and pens and everything else used in that "investigation".

Then, to comment on the "vitriol" in the voice mails. OF COURSE there is vitriol. People are pissed off in the extreme, as they should be. Granted, threatening a cop, even via voice message, is a moronic thing to do, but people are getting fed up. Instead of playing victim to those mean ol' callers, maybe they should listen with their ears to what the callers are trying to communicate and respond with compassion and humanity instead of "poor us" and dispassionate doublespeak.