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Posted on the municipal bolton board in the Mobile township's website. Please note that this meeting is being broadcast live. Madam Clerk may we have a roll call, please?

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Okay, for each member that for each.

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For each citizen that's going to come up and speak, please state your full name and your address, and you have 3 min to address the council. Thank you. Timer. Hey everyone, Michael Hann twelve.

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Call Court and Barbara?

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Good to go. Yes. All righty. Good evening. My name's Mike Halln I'm a resident of Marbor for most of my life. I want to thank you guys for the opportunity to speak tonight. My wife and I moved back to Marbora last year to start a family after living in Washington DC for almost ten years and we just welcomed our 1st kid six months ago. Upon my return back, I was shocked to learn of plans for 22000 square fo.

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At mosque to be built on tenant Road quite literally in my parents backyard, the home I grew up in with very little opposition from anyone on this council or the mayor. I want to thank Councilman Millman Denuso. I know they have shared this publicly that they opposed the structure and I appreciate them doing so and I think they'll be rewarded publicly for that in November. This.

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We took note of who wasn't in that video. Let me just be very, very clear. We're glad that that individual who wasn't in the video didn't win his election as well.

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And for the other two members on the council, we hope you could listen to our concerns with an open mind before November's election. I'm here today to clearly and respectfully express my strong opposition to this facility on Tenant

Road. Let me be clear, it's not about religion, it's about safety, traffic and smart development in marbor. The sheer size of this building is incompatible with the character of the surrounding day.

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The specific portion of tenant Road is a residential area and introducing a structure of this magnitude would fundamentally alter the areas feel, increased traffic, and significantly lower surrounding property value. According to the petitioners, a facility of this size would bring at least 200 vehicles daily to an already busy road.

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The petitioner projected an addition 2 % growth every single year which comes out to five peritioners every year. So how's the parking lot going to accommodate this in five years? Where's the overflow of traffic going? Are people gonna park on the side roads of Duncan church, and tenant when the lot's full? None of these questions get answered in the zoning board hearings. In fact, NO members of this community.

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Have been able to speak or ask questions at the zoning board hearings that we've attended that ran like a Kangaroo court. By staying silent I urge the council to consider where precedence this sense. This is now our only outlet, and we urge our elected officials to help us speak up with your platforms. Approving a project with this scale.

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Is going to allow unchecked development and barbor, and we all moved here for balance, peaceful neighborhoods, minimal congestion and a voice in what get what gets built in our backyard. This project is far out of step with those values that drove my parents here 23 years ago, and that drove me to come back here to start my own family.

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So I respectfully ask for everyone to please join us in pushing back against the structure. Thank you. Can you comment on this, please? So my Name's.

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Nice to meet you tonight. I want to just talk a little bit about the process so that you understand what council's role is and why you won't be hearing much from council about this tonight. So this matters before the zoning board and there is a use variance that's being requested. If that use variance was granted.

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The, the an objector would have the right to appeal it to the council. So the council's like the appellate court in that circumstance. So because of that, you know, I'm gonna tell council tonight and you'll hear me say it maybe more than once tonight. That council really can't comment on the application tonight.

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Because it would taint the proceedings of somebody should appeal to them. So we have to have to be careful about that. So I just wanted you to know what everybody's role is. Council does have a role. Right now it's before the zoning board, that's where the record gets gets done. So I just wanted you to know that that I thought it was important that you understand what the process is.

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That council does play a role if it was granted by the zoning board. If it's not granted by the zoning board, then the council doesn't play any role, the only appeal would be to court that, so I I just thought I would let you know that. That's fair, thank you, but and let me just say this about the process. Ultimately you.

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You will because the zoning board has to have a public portion of that application. So, and, you know, objectives are allowed to have attorneys, they're allowed to participate in those proceedings.

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But the public, there is a point in time when the public will get a right to speak. It maybe towards the end of the application, but you will, you will have a right to speak. You, you, you do get, you do have that opportunity, it's a public body and they, they do have to have that process. So I want to tell you that I, you know, every, this isn't different. It's not because of this kind of application.

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Every application before the board ultimately has that public participation.

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So you might have to hang in there until the time comes, but you and by the way, fair question as to when is that time gonna come but you'll have you have a right to speak. You will get a right to speak. Okay. I just want to make a comment on this. I've been doing this for a long time as Mayor, and I know when it's.

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Appropriate to speak and when it's inappropriate to speak on issues, it is not appropriate for elected officials to be speaking on this issue at this point in the process. So I assure you you do not know how I feel personally about this matter, nor will you know about it until the time is right. And when the time is right, I promise you.

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I will speak loudly, but, there's a reason why we're holding back right now. Thank you. Madam Clerk, do we have anyone else? Rosean Han.

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Rosanne Han, 21 lake on Sario Lane. Thank you for allowing me to speak. I know I have a speech prepared, but after what my son just said and after what you just said, the level of frustration that we all have at this point, we all live.

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Within walking distance of this. When we go to the zoning meetings, we cannot speak, the other side can have their say that they they're constantly cancelling these things. There's a level of frustration that we all have. There's a lot of more people that wanna come, but they're afraid to express their concerns, so where.

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Out here doing this for everybody in the town.

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I think at this point they have to allow us to speak at some point. They can't just keep holding us back. And that's why we're here. We don't know where else to go. As said, there is a mandatory meeting that will be public.

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And published. I know the zoning board has had issues holding the meeting because of quorum issues.

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So this application has made NO progress with the delay, and so you will be notified and have your right to speak. I've been in zoning board and planning board meetings where this room has been filled standing room only.

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And every single person was given their right to speak, and I promise you, each and every one of you will have it. The various cancellations have been a bunch of different factors, some weather related, some quorum related. I don't know the other reasons, but if the application has not progressed from the last point it has been. So it's been carried over.

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Where I believe the next one's in September sometime, is that right? It's been carried over to I don't even know at this point. I think it is, but for everybody who came for this concern, you will 100 % get a full right to address the.

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The zoning board and should it pass, you will have the right to appeal and address this board and this council. So it is going nowhere and there are other avenues after that. But let's see what happens at the zoning board 1st and let's not.

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I see I know you're frustrated, but you haven't one been given your opportunity, which you have to by law and two, this application has not progressed at all without meetings. So can I ask, can I ask a question of somebody that's sitting on the council and are they allowed to answer? No.

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Okay, so once again, so zoning board matters are. No, this really has nothing to do. I'm so I'm just gonna say what I have to say and you don't have to. I apologize for interrupting you. No, that's ok, NO problem. So I have mr. Clausi I have a question for you. 04:49 tenant row was purchased on our back December 20.

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You mr. Classi won your election in November of 21. On or about July of 22, you purchased the property directly across the street from where this mask is going to be built. So I'd like to know mr. Classi if you could put on the record today that you, your family members or anybody have NO Will you be giving up any of that property to what.

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What they called at the last meeting when we went to that they need.

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We'll be giving up any of that property. You don't have to answer, obviously this is a question you can't answer. I would like to answer.

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And I want them to be, you know, to be, I have to be fair with them. 444I bought this property for my resident, and I'm not gonna give any portion to anybody. That is my property I'm going to build my house.

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Okay, so, so you bought that property after they bought that, the property across the street. So it looks a little suspicious. I'm not saying that this is what you're doing, but it doesn't look a little suspicious that you purchase that property, you'd leave a nice quiet little street that you're on and move to a structure that's gonna be 20000 sq ft directly across the street. I.

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We just all find that very difficult and the property that I own it's A taker completely behind the door. I don't hear from tenant road, so I'm going to build my house and I have nothing to do with the 449. And I explained to your son Mike hunt, and it was always there. So nothing to do.

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It's just strange that three years have gone by and you've built that I have. So I I think you just, there's just it has to be transparency here because it does not look right. We're building a mask that.

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I know people who come there during the day. So we're building a 20000 sq ft mask next to people's homes behind behind people's homes.

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For 15 to 20 people who come on a daily basis, it makes NO sense. I think we need answers, we need to know why this is happening. There's NO approvals for it. So you're speaking as if it's done and that's not fair. If you're assuming it's a conclusion, and I also want to point something out for councilmen Kazi in his plan.

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Planning board resolution for the property you just mentioned. He's not allowed to use it for parking, extra housing or street crossing by restriction. No, he's not allowed.

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What? Well, just yes, ok. It's the frustration and if you Google the address mayor, it comes up as a. It's already there.

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There's NO 20000 sq ft mass there today. No, not today, but it's the, when you Google the address, the nonprofit is already at that address once again I I'm a lawyer but let me just explain to you. If you google.

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Your neighborhood on Google Maps, you'll find 20 businesses. That's because somebody listed that addressed agent. Does anybody currently live there? It doesn't mean anything. Does anybody currently live there? It means nothing. Does anybody currently live there? I thank you for your time, I appreciate it.

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Thank you. Madam Clerk, do we have anyone else? Steve? I'm sorry, I can't make out your handwriting for your last name.

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Smiler. Good evening, Steve's Trippler. Five Tenant Road in Morganville. I live right down the street from the proposed location for the application. I, I too had a speech prepared, but I With everything that's happened in the last 10 min, I don't think it's worth going into the details. Just want to reiterate that there are a lot of people that have a lot of.

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One thing we could really use is more information. A lot of people we just don't know how to go about, even just asking questions. Many times and people have given some answers tonight. But many times we ask questions, they say we're not allowed to speak on that. This isn't the right time. And how do we learn? You know, with short of hiring an attorney, which is really out of the financial possibility for many of us.

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How do we go about this? It's really a little overwhelming for all of us. So the Oprah law allows you to send requests to the clerk about this application and you could write down questions and it will be answered to you within a set amount of time. There is a fee for Oprah I don't think it'.

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Yeah. Well, just just to be clear Maggie you.

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Your questions will get answered at the time where the public gets the right to answer questions. If you want copies of any documents, that's an OPRA request and you can ask for, so if there's a traffic engineer, for instance, and he has a report, you can file an OPRA request at a clerk and she'll email it to you. So you can review it.

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So that when the time comes that you have your opportunity to ask questions, you can ask questions. Okay yeah and we I know all those documents are available online. One thing that would be helpful is when should we prepare for those hearings? I know that they're waiting for the applicant to finish their testimony, then the objector has an attorney, he has to give his testimony before the public can speak. There is an objector and an object.

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Doctor's attorney?

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I have not retained them I don't know if I could speak for him but there was an attorney there. So it's just a lot of prep work with the clerk, I'll make sure you know when the period is and you can let everybody else know and if anybody

else wants to leave their number, I'll let them know as well so that y'all not gonna miss.

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Promise you you're not gonna miss this meeting and you will be fully heard and you're assuming this is gonna get approved by the zoning board and I don't think that's, that assumption is a fair assumption at this point in time, ok? I and I know you're frustrated and that's why you're coming out on a summer night.

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And I appreciate that so much because nobody wants to be here on a summer night, but we're just not there yet. And I also wanted to reiterate, I am confident you don't know how this council or how I as mayor feel about this project because I have not voiced my opinion on it and that is done on purpose.

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Okay, so I appreciate it. Like I said, more just sometimes general questions. So if you could, you know, let us know that things like that would be that'd be great. Thank you for your time. Thank you. Okay, Madam Clark, who's next?

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All the concrete walks pads placed for the griff and rifle and the casebo was provided and donated.

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The thousands of dollars in labor and material was provided by Lucas brothers construction. Under the leadership of Chief Bruce Hall, the support at the time of Jonathan Cat and Marbor Public Works.

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In ending, the reason to cancel is history. Times change. Once again I have gathered all the information needed to complete what I promise to do for Marvel township and the veterans. I have all the information, works.

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That I've compiled.

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Somehow if we can get an answer to this, that we can have it in place for Veterans Day, I'd appreciate it or get an answer from the mayor. Thank you. The vehicle is working on this thing for a long time. Is there any way we could find this fun? I think.

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Mr., this is \$19000, you said?

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27000 Lucas brothers, they provided them all the concrete work and the labor and design which mounted into thousands of dollars to complete, and that was completed by them, and then was.

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Right. I just wanted to clarify that.

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Mr. Cap told me that don't worry about the financing it's in place. After Thatola councilwoman said if they don't donate or pay for it, she can get full funding for it at that time. There was funding for it.

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Council Mccaza, you weren't here last month. Mr. Wapel came up and asked if we could look into it. Mike and I have our council president and I are looking into it. We've already had a conversation. We could circle back with the mayor, mr. Cap.

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So we're, discussions are in process. Okay. Just so you know. Perfect. Okay. It's a good project. Okay. Okay. Thank you everyone. Madam Clerk. Hands present Michael Planenco. Okay.

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Hello everybody. My two buildings to the area which is going to be building a mask. I do have great for 32 years, maybe 33.

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Is in the same location I see Marbo grow. And I have a problem with the growth in this town because all of a sudden the last few years I see massive building. You go down tenant Road towards 79, they got these big complexes of housing housing for people and it was always known as a.

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Residential small town. This is why I came out here. I came out of the city. I didn't want to come back into the city, but the.

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The times have changed and it seems like the culture of our, of bureaucrats in town, they're changing, they're making changes, and people don't like it. As far as the mosque is concerned, I watch over and I had spoken to the person who was interested in building this. Unfortunately.

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As years went by, that property was up for sale. It was somewhere around 300000 somewhere along the line, but there was NO real estate really on that property. Nobody ever mentioned anything about a mosque. I think that.

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It is by law to, you know when someone purchases it for that means of, you know, building a church or a mask or anything that they wouldn't ask the locals close by.

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And there were other places that wanted to build churches on such as Union Hill Road, but they had the consideration or for whatever reason, it was shot down, there's NO longer gonna be a church on Union Hill Road, but I was concerned

for the same thing. Traffic, big traffic, route nine, route eight.

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Team outsiders coming into your town where you can't even provide the proper.

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Laws for traffic, I mean the conglomeration of traffic on 05:20 and you and tenant road. This is a town that in one way, open space. You took a farm, you made it open space. You right next to the 1st aid building, it's open space.

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Mask.

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This they would sweat that they want. I don't think it's appropriate. The traffic is heavy as it is. And I'm concerned. It's gonna, let's face it, it's gonna even affect house values, whether you use the water admitted or not.

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Nobody wants it to be anywhere near a public building. I didn't want it, and I'm sure all EU people wouldn't want it. It's not a question of it's a mosque or a church or a temple. It's a question of it's small town, USA residents are quiet, they have their land. It's.

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Take is minimum.

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I was unaware of this meeting tonight till early this morning, and I'm sure there'll be a lot more people here.

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If they knew it. Say I appreciate all the comments you're making, Barbara's a desire, forget this application which is not on the agenda for tonight. So you're just talking and we're listening to you, ok? So which is great and it's your right to do it, ok? I am concerned. I I you're clearly concerned, the right place.

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Just to voice those concerns at the public meeting at the zoning board which we're gonna allow and tell you when it is so you could come and you could tell them everything you're concerned about. A couple things I do want to address with you though, people want to be in Marbor township.

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And people have a right to build whatever they could ask to build a casino somewhere, it doesn't mean they're getting it, ok? And I agree with a lot of the points you made. They have just come in with an application, they're not required to pull the citizens around and ask them if you like it or not. It's up to the zoning board and then there's an.

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The Appeal process after that and then there's the court system after that. So the fact that they didn't come and check with you wrong, all they had to do is notify you and go to the zoning board. If somebody decides.

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Not to do a project by polling everybody, it's because they don't want to face the public, which is I, again, I've been in this room where hundreds of people showed up against a project and the elected officials and the appointed officials said I can't vote for this and they put their hand up and said, No. Okay, so that happens, and this is the process in every time.

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And that's it. This is nothing.

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What meeting? This this hearing today. This is our end, this is our required by law council meeting to move our agenda forward and you're being, you're just given taking open mic portion and talking about You could have talked about snow if you wanted to, so it's, it doesn't know that I didn't know.

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It's not on the application tonight.

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What this meeting. This meeting is not about that. Okay, this is our town meeting. We're voting on some important stuff. No, another, another thing I wanted to point out is the real estate that was sold was part of your board of the board. She's a realtor that was a former.

97 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:27:38.668 --> 00:27:51.029

Okay well I need to get facts cleared because yeah you should I'm telling you what I heard.

98 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:27:52.679 --> 00:28:00.319

All right. All right. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you. Anyone else?

99 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:28:17.478 --> 00:28:20.598

Good evening, everyone. Gerard Monroy A Taylor Road.

100 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Well, a lot of it is the things I wanted to say have been said let me just say in a general way, it's in a place that.

101 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Is.

102 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Open you know that has an open field and place that's appropriate for that kind of a thing. Not not in this small and residential area, it doesn't seem to make sense to me. You've got the issue of the 05:20 traffic and the intersection with with tenant it would only get worse. The issue of.

103 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:29:04.219 --> 00:29:13.699

The passing lane, there would have to be a passing lane. How does that happen? The issue has, has there been a second traffic study? I don't know the answer to that.

104 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:29:17.038 --> 00:29:34.159

Noise can be an issue, lights can be an issue for the, for the neighbors. So, a lot of what I wanted to say has been said, I just I just want to go on record of saying I am in favor of people building a place of worship in Marlboro as.

105 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:29:34.399 --> 00:29:48.759

As long as it's in an appropriate place with good space, that would, that would not inting upon the lives and the proper the lives of the neighbors and the property values of, of the local, of the local properties.

106 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:29:49.589 --> 00:30:08.469

Thank you. Thank you. Now we're done? Yeah. Excellent. Thank you, everyone. Next on the agenda, we have council speaks out. Oh NO, now you have to stay for the whole meeting.

107 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:30:09.999 --> 00:30:10.439

Oh, NO.

108 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:30:43.019 --> 00:31:02.339

Okay concert and fireworks were just beautiful.

109 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:31:03.209 --> 00:31:17.209

And I would really like to know who it was that put in the request for the weather for that night because it was perfect. That was me councilwoman. Okay.

110 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:31:18.089 --> 00:31:37.889

But I would like to have that direct line for the future because that weather that night was amazing. Today, it would have been horrific, ok? But the fireworks, the concert, it was the boy bands, they were beautiful and wonderful and very talented and on 10 August.

111 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:31:38.288 --> 00:31:57.169

If you missed that one or if you want to go to another one, there's going to be another concert on 10 August. This one is going to be country theme another one of my favorites. I love the boy vans, and I love country in western. So those are two amazing events that the township is sponsoring this.

112 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:31:57.529 --> 00:32:12.208

Summer and I highly recommend them. On a less happy note, I would like to just mention the storm that we all lived through on 19 June. It was.

113 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Last night.

114 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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These storms that we have been witnessing recently, especially this month, have been nothing short of horrific, and I don't know what's going on with the weather, but it is only getting worse and.

115 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:32:47.809 --> 00:33:07.329

You know the old saying if lightning roars get indoors, I mean, you have to get indoors before the lightning roars, apparently because this this I mean thunder rather, thunder roars get indoors because there was NO really appreciable thunder that they heard last night.

116 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:33:07.809 --> 00:33:27.768

And that lightning struck and it was just a horrible tragedy. My heart goes out to the families to the family of the gentleman who. Just horrible. So I just want to caution everybody to really be vigilant with the weather.

117 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:33:32.389 --> 00:33:33.109

I want to know.

118 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:33:35.039 --> 00:33:50.519

Before I leave the house and I want to know what I'm in for and I don't know, it's always been, you know, fluky and a lark and and people, you know, laugh, but it's not funny anymore. This is downright serious. So please be weather aware.

119 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:33:51.439 --> 00:34:11.119

I would also like to mention that with the council, we would like to kick off a council initiative, and we're going to call it Clear the way, Marbor. So I don't know those of you that have sidewalks, some of us have sidewalks in our communities and some of the.

120 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:34:12.239 --> 00:34:19.718

But those of us that do, we've been hearing residents comment that oftentimes they're trying to walk.

121 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:34:21.089 --> 00:34:40.089

Take a walk or take a bike ride or walk a dog or whatever and they can't easily. So the council would like to kick off this new initiative and to mr. Renoma.

122 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Also. So this is called.

123 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:34:50.799 --> 00:35:09.639

We're gonna say trim today walk tomorrow. Help us keep marborough's sidewalks safe, walkable and welcoming for every pedestrian stroller and wheelchair. Overgrown shrubs, trees and hedges blocking sidewalks are more than just an eyesore, they're a safety hazard. This is.

124 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:35:09.879 --> 00:35:29.799

Initiative encourages all residents to take pride in their community by maintaining the greenery along their property lines. And how can you help you might ask. You can trim overgrown branches and hedges in your sidewalks. You can remove debris that obstructs safe passage, and you can check regularly for regrowing.

125 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:35:29.879 --> 00:35:47.759

Both that may affect walkability. And we're gonna flush this out, but we'd like to have some kind of a recognition program. Maybe we'll recognize citizens at council meetings or whatever. It's not, we, we need to do things that are cost effective and not gonna cost any money, but we can have.

126 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Something like a walkability hero, somebody could be recognized if their property is well maintained, their sidewalks will be featured monthly on our website and on social media. That's something we can do. We can have a community trimming day. We join our neighbors each spring for a town.

127 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Cleanup event.

128 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:36:10.399 --> 00:36:30.039

Let's roll up our sleeves and clear the way together. We want to keep Marlboro moving. Your curb appeal starts at the curb. Together we can preserve the charm and safety of our beloved neighborhoods. So for more information, you can go to.

129 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Www dot morbro's hyphen NJ.gov/clear-the-way. So this is something I think we can do with.

130 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:36:45.019 --> 00:37:00.539

Very little effort and a great return for safety for our community as well as curb appeal and making our neighborhoods beautiful. More beautiful than they are. I know they're already beautiful, but we can make them more beautiful.

131 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:37:02.488 --> 00:37:14.369

The website's up, yeah. Okay, so, thank you Council woman. Council vice President Kazi.

132 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:37:16.799 --> 00:37:36.078

Thank you Council president. I would like to say that councilwomen, initiative is wonderful. I and this is beautiful township, beautiful houses, beautiful gardens, beautiful sidewalk. But yes, it's a good initiative. I support that.

133 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:37:36.689 --> 00:37:56.329

Thank you. Thank you. I want to say everybody. I hope everybody's enjoying their summer, but it's going by quick. We're already approaching toward the end of July. It's pretty much one more month after that and then back to, you know.

134 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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So, I am excited about the upcoming August concert as well. I loved the July concert we had last week and you're right, councilman, the weather was a blessing because the day after that there was a crazy severe storm at night and a lot

coincidentally.

135 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Only somebody actually came up to me during the concert and they asked me about what the township can and cannot do about these situations. 1st of all, I want to say the township has been excellent with the response in June and they're doing an amazing job and rightfully so that these people ask and there is an.

136 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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And, you are right about the weather and I always call you. I trust you more than I trust my app, and I want to thank you also for this initiative. Anything we can do to help Molbro thrive. This is an excellent idea, and we'll talk about it further. Thank you.

137 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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And next on our agenda we have the administration report.

138 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Thank you, council president and everyone. Well, most most of the, the people who spoke left, I saw them outside assembled. Town, township concert and fireworks on 13 July was, was really terrific if you had the chance to come out and hang out with our community. It's just such a nice day. People come out, the kid.

139 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:39:26.600 --> 00:39:39.960

As were running, it was a boy band and the fireworks were tremendous. Great job by the entire recreation department, Susie Lifer, Marbour police, Fire and 1st aid public works police cadets.

140 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:39:40.540 --> 00:39:55.939

Amazing job by everybody. It it often reminds me of what a great community we live in when we have the chance to celebrate things like that together. So on official start of summer was good seeing all you there. Everybody showed up. On 5 August.

141 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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We're having Marbro Police National night out, which is a big one, and recreation's 4th concert is 10 August. I think you said it was a country band? Yes. And there's a car show too. So please join us, stop by. It's amazing. Couple things on the agenda tonight paving of wind cress road. Our our 1st pha.

142 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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In second half, then we're gonna come in with phase, two and three for next year. Our roads need more work now. There are more people here, more weather events. They're, they're, they're eroding more quickly than they were because of use and because of the climate, so we have to continue to fund this stuff, but.

143 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:40:36.660 --> 00:40:39.620

I'm grateful that.

144 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:40:40.830 --> 00:40:58.830

And our our auditor tonight, mr. Switchers gonna come and talk about our our audit, which is I know a clean audit,

which I'm very proud of. Thanks to the council. John Cap, Lori Russo, you guys do such an amazing job for us, but our ability.

145 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:40:59.910 --> 00:41:14.390

To spend to improve our capital projects around them depends on our finances and it starts with that. So I want to compliment the council and thank them for doing a good job. Obviously John Cap, we are in a really good financial position.

146 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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And, we're gonna continue to push forward on that front. That's, that's what makes the difference between us amongst other things and other towns. Part of what we have to do here though is we have to defend our residents from bad things happening, right? Whether it's a weather event or otherwise.

147 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Middle sex water right now is pushing through almost a 20 % increase. So tonight on the agenda we recommend that we adopting partnering with Oldbridge Utility authority to push back on that increase. It's too much for water between that and JCP and L So we're gonna ask you.

148 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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You guys to step up and support that as well. Continuing on the thoughts about the storm that happened.

149 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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We have to add brush clean up. I've lived in this town most of my life and I've never seen weather events like this. I mean the the the weather event that Council Woman Denuso talked about will legit occurred in 20 min. It knocked out 44 % of the town's power in less than 20 min.

150 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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If we didn't have a hurricane, I don't know what it was called, but it came right down route 79 in front of the high school and upturned poles and trees that had been there longer than this place has been a town. And it's it's quite incredible the damage it did. So.

151 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:42:34.320 --> 00:42:54.120

We're not changing weather patterns. We have to change how we respond to them and how we handle it. And I've always said that we need to be able to help our own. There is NO call to the county or the state or the federal government to come in here. We need to do it ourselves. So we need to continue to fund our police, our 1st responders, our deep.

152 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:42:54.360 --> 00:43:13.120

DW to make sure that this stuff gets cleaned up quick cause we can't do anything about the weather. And I don't nobody can. So that's the truth. We have another brush cleanup happening now. DPW, police department 1st aid again. Thanks for working through the storm and thanks for doing this cleanup. It's huge.

153 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Council Woman Denuso talked about bad weather events. You gotta be prepared. It's unlike any time in our history. I mean we're getting tornado warnings. That's not something that happens in Central New Jersey, but apparently it is now.

New jersey.

154 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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She had seen seven deaths from weather related incidents just this month.

155 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:43:38.580 --> 00:43:58.580

That's like unheard of. The last storm we saw, you saw the flooding on the term pike? It was like, what is going on here? But it's happening. Be prepared, be aware, sign up for the cell phone notifications. My phone rings off the the hook when when something bad's happening. Just this last two weeks we got two takes.

156 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:43:58.700 --> 00:44:17.820

Delta immediately. That's not when you're done doing what you're doing. That's not, hey, I'll get to it. It's immediately, that may save your life unfortunately, and that's what we're seeing in New Jersey, so please, please, please dial in for that. It is a change for us living here, but it's a change we must embrace.

157 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:44:19.589 --> 00:44:38.270

Talked about the perfect audit, can't mention the perfect audit without our triple A bond rating. Sorry, I gotta mention and I'm very proud of that. Six out of 565 communities in New Jersey have a triple AA bond rating from moodies and S&P And there's a picture of our triple AA bond ratings, one triple.

158 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:44:38.950 --> 00:44:58.110

One's triple A A one's two ways in a little a. I call them the twins. They're in a frame photograph behind the mayor's desk. Anybody comes in and goes, what's that? I go, those are my twins. Those are our AAA bond rating which I'm extremely proud of. Again, and you could see how it all works together with the balance sheet.

159 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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In order to be able to fund what we need to yes.

160 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:45:03.709 --> 00:45:23.510

I, I have to, I have to read this. This was a this is a quotation from the report from the AAA bonds company, and it talks about the governance here in Marbro. And this is a direct quote. The townships management.

161 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Is very strong and has a deep knowledge base.

162 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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The management team, the mayor, and the township council, work together very well leading to good decision making. The township aims to be conservative in budgeting to regenerate the use of fund balances.

163 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:45:43.680 --> 00:45:59.160

In its budget. That, that, that's a badge of honor. I'm so proud of that. I know you are too mr. Mayor I know all of us up here are as is mr. Captain mr. Russo and I for one would like to thank our.

164 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:46:00.679 --> 00:46:13.840

Fabulous team, our finance team for the amazing work that they do. They, they are top notch, we're so blessed to have them because they guide us. I mean, we don't make these decisions.

165 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:46:14.920 --> 00:46:29.559

You know, out of context, we have meetings and discussions and talks and arguments and we get it done and we work together and I'm so proud of that. We work.

166 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:46:30.210 --> 00:46:47.730

In a bipartism with a bipartism team and I I so I often say we should be the model for the Bozos in Washington and for forget about the ones in trent. They're just the lost cause. But could I have the floor back?

167 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:46:48.560 --> 00:47:08.240

Thank you. All right. All right. Finishing up I appreciate councilwoman's comments. This council did something really and it was a big move, so I just want to give you a stat. They finally came up with their bill for this year 37.

168 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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37 for 2630, for this year.

169 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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37 %. From years 21 to 25, it went up 50 %. In one year, it's going up for year 2630 7 %. We moved ourselves to another one and our increase was minimal compared to that. God, good move. Good move, smart move. We have to continue to make moves like that in order to.

170 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Protect our balance sheet, to protect our funding, to spend it for our people winning if we have to.

171 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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And that's why we need excellent advisors. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you mayor. Madam Clerk, can we have an adoption of the council meeting minutes from 26 June 2025?

172 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Second, ok? Roll call Yes, so Yes. Yes.

173 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Next ordinary ordinance-010 ordinance authorizing the property known as. Lot 16 point oh three phase two property located only Road.

174 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:48:37.560 --> 00:48:47.159

Oh, 1st reading, I apologize about that. Okay, can I get a motion? Okay. Roll call. Yes.

175 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Yes. Yes. Yes. Next resolution 2020 five-190 authorizing acceptance of the 2024 audit.

176 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Yes. Yes. Yes. Yes. Next on our list oh yeah Yes, absolutely. Absolutely. Can we have the auditor please.

177 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Sorry if I rained on your parade. You've already taken my presentation, you've already talked about the audit, you've stolen all my thunder already, but I'll do the best I can. Council selected us to do the audit for the year ended 31 December.

178 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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2024, the audit was completed at the end of May 29 May. That's two weeks earlier than the previous year, which is always a good thing. And I'll go over real quick what the audit's kind of about. Okay, we're supposed to be going and doing a risk based audit.

179 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Okay, to look at the operations of the township and trying to figure out where we should be spending our time, whether that's on taxes, obviously a big revenue, payroll, big expensure etc. And our company does, you know, government audits, that's what we do, so we kind of understand where to go and how to order it. And the purpose of the audit is to render an opinion on the financial statements. We.

180 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Kinda talked about that already, very key for your bond rating to make sure that those financial statements are free from material misstatement.

181 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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That's really at the end of the day, what council's looking for, the users of the financial statement, the council, the public, the state feds, and of course your bond rating agencies, you want an unmodified opinion. You can rely on those financial statements, and that's what the township's got an unmodified opinion on the financial statements. Secondly, in government, you're required to have an opinion on a government ordering state.

182 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:50:47.940 --> 00:51:07.700

There's gas that asks about how the internal controls, your own written rules and regulations, and how you process your transaction. Are they properly designed and are they actually functioning? And we go and we do tests, whether that's checking your expenditures, your payroll again, those types of things to make sure that the proper signatures are in place. They're posted to the right.

183 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Controls are well designed.

184 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:51:13.260 --> 00:51:33.060

And they are functioning. 2nd part of that opinion is on compliance. Compliance is huge in New Jersey. You got your federal compliance, you got your state compliance, and then you have the rules and regulations attached to themselves. Bidding would be an example of that. So we're doing separate testing on compliance to make sure you're complying with all the different regulations that are.

185 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:51:33.300 --> 00:51:53.100

Out there. This is where you would see if there was any comments or recommendations in the report. As the mayor said, apparently you had a perfect audit. I love that. Who's perfect, but you guys did very well. You have NO comments or recommendations in the report. So you're ringing all the bells, right? You've got the clean opinion on the financial statement. Internal controls are designed properly, NO comments in the report.

186 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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You also usually have a single audit which is when you have over \$750000 of expenditures in either federal or state grants. The last number of years you've had a single audit, and that's generally speaking because you've had that Arpa money running through over, you know, since the pandemic basically. This year a lot of that, that funding has dropped out, and so you don't have.

187 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:52:13.420 --> 00:52:32.420

Single order this year to report on. So all good news, this is a pretty easy meeting for me this evening, but I will touch on the finances and kind of echo some of the things that were said. Each one of your funds, your, your current fund, your water fund, and the recreation swim fund. In each one of those cases, the fund balance.

188 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:52:32.880 --> 00:52:51.039

Increased. And you can't get lost on that. It's really kind of the at the when you get that, that triple double AAA rating, that's what they're looking for. That's proper budgeting that you're not anticipating any more surplus than you expect to regenerate. And you had that, you hit all four, all three of those, all three of your funds had that this year.

189 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:52:51.990 --> 00:53:11.990

It's it's it's fasting when you look at like a five year analysis of your fund balance, which is what the rating agencies do and how consistent you are in that. That's what they look for. No doubt about it. And again, you do have an excellent team. It's, it's, you know, I give Lori the credit, you know, the audience of death by a thousand cuts. He's gotta do her day to day job. Okay, Jonathan gets a little bit of it, but Lori gets most of it.

190 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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But she's doing her day to day job and we're just basically poking her for about three weeks to a month. It's not easy. She takes it like a trooper, your entire staff, I always kind of say it's nice when we ask questions and we don't get blank stares. We get answers. And so it's really kind of a pleasure doing the audit here. So that's really all I have. I will take any questions from council?

191 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:53:30.640 --> 00:53:46.480

On the audit? Does anybody have any questions? Well, you know, something, one of the things that's out there right now we just talked about health benefits. Okay, that's that's obviously a big thing. One of the other things that's being talked about right now is federal funding.

192 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:53:46.980 --> 00:54:06.700

Okay. Really that's affecting some of the larger communities, ok, that some of the funding's already kind of, if it hasn't dropped out, it's been frozen, if you will. And you're going to see some of it, I think. I mean I can't predict the future certainly, but that is something that everybody has to have their eye on. You know, the budget is, is the.

193 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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It's a difficult process when you don't know what the landscape is going to be going forward. So that would be one area I would definitely be looking at.

194 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Thank you. Anyone else? Just just for the record or comment on the debt we currently have, as it compares to other towns and how it gets read into our, our bond rating. Yeah, that so your your debt service again is is pretty consistent. The debt service is up this year over year over year, but your percentage of debts.

195 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Service compared to your equalized valuation is actually down, so your town is growing.

196 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Okay, and they have a, I think is it 2.2 .5 % or 3.5 %? They have a measure the state does, ok, as to whether you should have more debt or not. You're way under that, ok? Using about 20 % of your debt capacity as the state of New Jersey kind of measures it. But the true measurement of your debt service is in your pond.

197 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Rating. When the bond rating agencies are coming in, they're looking at a variety of different things. Demographics, fund balance we talked about, but they're looking at your debt.

198 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Okay, you gotta double triple A That's the best you can say about how you're handling your debt right now. It's incredibly consistent, and that 20 % that I noticed, if you look over the last five, six years, it's literally 19.5 08:20 point O one. It's, it's right in this very thin margin. And again, that's really the the the goal standard for.

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When you're looking for a bond rate and they want to see consistency in your planning. So your debt service I think is by most measures in very good shape.

200 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Alright, thank you very much. Thank you. You guys have any questions on the reports? It's a long report. Any questions whatsoever, please let me know. I'd be happy to come back. Appreciate that. Well, well, well done. Thank you. Thank you. Next we have our consent agenda, but I would like to pull.

201 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Resolution 2020 five-one 94 authorizing emergency budget appropriation for storm of 19 June 2025 EM 20 five-thirty four. Mr. Cap, can you please talk about this one?

202 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Sure council. We all, you've all done that here tonight, so you know what that was about and really fits right in.

203 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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So when the CFO and I recognize that we are incurring expense at a level that we did not anticipate, and as you know, it doesn't happen often, I don't think you've seen one of these. In fact, this council, maybe Councilmanskeleah has seen

this, will come to you and say.

204 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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It is consistent with the conservative budgeting principles that we all adhere to here, that we adopt what's called an emergency authorization. And what that does is amend your budget by the amount of expenditures of the event which precipitated all of these expenditures, and that is that 20 min storm that the mayor.

205 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Talked about on 19 June. So in your in your materials you'll see a detailed by purchase order of everything we did from the, you know, repairing parts to a vehicle that got hit by a branch to.

206 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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An AC unit that went down because of a power surge, all of those materials are in here. We did not budget for those. We recognize that we're telling you that, and we think again as a consistent with conservative budgeting that we come to you with this today. The total number is about a hundred and \$78000. It include.

207 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Includes roughly 36 of hours of overtime for your almost your entire police division, including police time babysitting streets up and through up up until Council president of Millman, you and I got had that last test text exchange on Saturday afternoon.

208 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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And you have a, as the mayor mentioned, a special brush pickup which involves a significant portion of public's works, grinding and disposal of material. So all of those items are detailed for you to see. That's why we're on the agenda tonight with this item. Okay, thank you. A councilwoman Deniz I think you wanted to comment on this or?

209 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:58:24.510 --> 00:58:44.310

No, I just wanted to say on my street alone public works was there a good hour, just grinding stuff from three of my neighbors and myself. It was like lunacy. Trees down, it was, it was a frightening storm. It was power outage but you know is is this something that we can maybe, you know.

210 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

00:58:44.510 --> 00:58:57.430

Oh I asked you when we met about us having a slush fund or something to to sort of budget for these and I'm God, I hope we don't have any more of them. Counsel president, I.

211 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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No such thing. We, we, we, we reserve adequately for just such occasions.

212 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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This is a year as we spoke about where we actually had a winter and we relied heavily on that, that reserve for our winter expenses. Again, I'm saying the same thing. These are items that were not budgeted for, not anticipated. Snow we can anticipate and kind of lean on reserves when we need. This is over and above.

213 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Makes sense for you so that you maintain that operating result level that the rating agencies are are looking for and that you see reflected in that consistent pattern that the auditor referred to. So we can just pray that going forward we don't see any more storms of this nature. And as the mayor said, we prepare.

214 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Thank you, anybody else?

215 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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I wanna say that yes, the weather has been crazy lately all parts of the country especially here in New Jersey and I want to thank the administration. Thank you, mr. Cap for being vigilant and for addressing and taking action. I appreciate it. The whole town does. Can I get a motion?

216 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Motion. No, I think NO. I think it was just discussed it's a motion to adopt the consent agenda, correct? Okay, yeah it would be ok yes. So, yeah, that's exactly it. Was motioning?

217 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

01:00:38.230 --> 01:00:52.190

Oh, mr. Council miss Calia, who's second? Second. Okay, Council vice president, thank you. Can we get a roll call? Yes. Yes, yes. Yes.

218 "Marlboro Town Hall" (1480436992)

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Okay, can I get a motion to adjourn the meeting? Alright, this meeting is now adjourned. That property.