

Roxanne Maher

From: Roxanne Maher
Sent: Wednesday, April 17, 2024 12:04 PM
To: Wendy Hellekson
Cc: Town Council Group; Roxanne Maher
Subject: Monday's Meeting- Zoom Recording - April 15, 2024 Public Hearing

Good Morning Ms. Hellekson:

Thank you for your email regarding your concerns about the audio for the April 15, 2024 Public Hearing Video on the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 Budget.

As the Administrative Assistant who supports the Town Council, I am the person who uploads the videos to the Meeting Portal.

The Videos are not edited, and are uploaded and published on the Meeting Portal as they are recorded by the Zoom System.

The video on Zoom Site was 57.40 minutes and the video on the town's meeting portal is 57.40 minutes.

It's my understanding that the Zoom default settings are designed to suppress background noise, cancel out loud noises, and a lot of people talking at one time, to provide for an audible video.

You are welcome to stop by the Town Council and Watch the Video provided by the Zoom System.

Please feel free to contact me if I can be of any further assistance.

Thank you,
Roxanne

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From: Wendy <whelleks@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, April 17, 2024 7:24 AM

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Dear Town Council Members,

After reviewing the video from Monday night's budget meeting, in which I was attendance, there seems to be three minutes of the meeting missing. Those three minutes of the meeting are specifically when counsel member Ryan became upset and made very angry and hostile comments toward another member.

I was wondering why that was done and what remedy there is for it? It is very important for the functions of government to be completely transparent the good the bad and the ugly. The citizens trust that video recordings of meetings are full and accurate. I am of course now wondering how many other videos have been edited and what other things have been removed in order to create a sense of unity and decorum when there is none?

I'm going to ask the council provider remedy for this and put up the entirety of the minutes from this Monday meeting. The government cannot function properly if the citizens that are supposed to be to be part of that endeavor are not given information regarding things that happen. I would like a response as remedies the Town Counsel and the Town Clerk will be taking in order for this not to happen again. It is incumbent upon the town to report meetings in their entirety without bias.

Please let me know how this will be remedied,

Wendy Hellekson
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Sent from my iPad