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MAHWAH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

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1 MS. MURRAY: Well, it was given up in the
2 settlement, which now has not been agreed to. So --

3 BRIAN CHEWCASKIE: You can't have it both
4 ways. You can't say --

5 MS. MURRAY: No, no. I'm not, but you did
6 mention the fines just now, so I'm saying, ask me what
7 I'd like to do.

8 BRIAN CHEWCASKIE: There are -- there are a
9 number of aspects of the settlement. If there is no
10 settlement, there is no agreement that the township is
11 waiving any of this.

12 MS. MURRAY: Correct. So now what action does
13 the township do? Do we reinstate fines right away? Is
14 that something you would be doing?

15 BRIAN CHEWCASKIE: Fines would exist.
16 Fines exist today.

17 MS. MURRAY: Okay. Do we collect on the fines,
18 and actually force them to pay something? Because after
19 two years, they haven't paid a dime.

20 BRIAN CHEWCASKIE: And -- and it may be difficult
21 to collect that money.

22 MS. MURRAY: Okay. Then --

23 BRIAN CHEWCASKIE: The --

24 MS. MURRAY: Then do we go after the property as you
25 have mentioned, Mr. Laforet, that we might be able to do in

1 lieu of the fines if they default on the money?

2 MAYOR LAFORET: These are legal questions I
3 turn to my attorney.

4 BRIAN CHEWCASKIE: We have the right to
5 seek enforcement and whatever liens we can assert on the
6 property.

7 MS. MURRAY: Do you see my frustration though
8 here? Does the council see my frustration?

15 MS. MURRAY: I understand.

16 MAYOR LAFORET: Meaning that from several times
17 prior that you were here that set an expectation that
18 our police department is going to go in there and remove
19 the stuff that's there. The stuff that's there is now
20 gone. That does not remove our intent or commitment to
21 finish this as we have committed to in the beginning.
22 Absolutely hundred percent. It does not go away. How
23 much clearer can I make myself?

24 MS. MURRAY: That is very clear.

25 MAYOR LAFORET: That is a very offensive rumor

1 from all the time and effort. And let me speak to that.
2 Not to you, speak to that rumor. Because of the time
3 and effort that I have put into this, council has put
4 into this. This community has put into legal fees and
5 the attorneys have gone to battle for. Nowhere have you
6 seen us falter in any way, shape, or form.

7 MS. MURRAY: Have they paid anything yet? Has
8 anybody been thrown in jail? Has anything been done to
9 stop the events taking place?

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