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**MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL SCHEDULED VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING:
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 30, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.
IN THE JEMEZ SPRINGS BATH HOUSE**

1. Trustee Sanchez called meeting to order at 1800.
 - a. Members Present: Monique Alton, Manolito (Mano) Sanchez, Robert (Bob) Wilson, Heather Gutierrez
 - b. Members Absent: Mayor Roger Sweet, Pro-Temp Dave Ryan
 - c. Others: Rose Fenton, Michael Nealeigh, Fred Simmank, Betsy Daub, Michael Dunphey, Eric Beacham, Raymond Sandoval, Lance Buchmiller, Liz Shulman, Michael Vangundy, Jerimiah Gorham, Chief Moreno, Officer Hernandez
2. Pledge of allegiance
3. Mano read the email Rose sent to the EPA, about new sewer line issue, once she was notified.
 - a. Manhole that is affected has extensive amount of roots blocking pipe.
 - b. Bob asks for water office to be notified when the sewer plant will be using the fire hydrants to clearing the blockage.
 - c. There's a possibility of more extensive amount of roots being found in other manholes.
 - d. Mano requests all manholes be inspected for more possible issues.
 - e. Rose mentions that when Daniel B Stephens was here inspecting manholes, the issues were taken care of as they were found.
 - i. DBS inspected most of the southern manholes.
 - f. Raymond asked why the sewer line was placed near the river.
 - i. Rose informed the public that the line was placed in over 50 years ago.
 - ii. Bob mentioned that at the time the lines were placed, there were multiple factors, one being the angle, and best location during that time.
 - iii. Rose mentioned that a camera was run through the sewer lines back in the day, & the video is on VHS Tapes.

- g. Liz asks why the line cannot be fixed as soon as possible.
 - i. Rose mentioned they have to get quotes to follow procurement procedures, as well as get approval from the council to spend money.
 - ii. Bob asks if this will be covered by ARPA Funds.
 - 1. Rose informed council ARPA **will only** cover to **replace, not repair** the issue.
 - h. Monique mentions post related to sewer line issue.
 - i. Council recognizes that the locals should have been notified in a better & timelier manner.
 - ii. Mano informs the public that they were making the matter worse by blaming the Village.
 - i. Eric Beachman asked if the meetings can be either videoed or recorded for the public that view.
 - i. Bob's reply was no, as the content can be cropped in order to put certain words or views that are skewed.
4. Mano moved to adjourned, unanimous approval. Adjourned at 1901.