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MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL SCHEDULED VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING: THUSDAY, APRIL 4, 2024 AT 6:00 P.M.

- Call to Order at 6:00PM by Mayor Nealeigh

   Council Members Present: Mayor Mike Nealeigh, Trustees Mano
   Sanchez, Bob Wilson, Judy Boyd, Jim McCue. Absent: None
   c. Others: Heather Gutierrez, Rose Fenton, Fred Simmank, Janet Phillips
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Nealeigh
- 3. Approval of Agenda
- 4. Approve Resolution 2024-007 Setting Meeting Schedule for FY 2024. Trustee Wilson moved to accept the Resolution with the change of item #1 to say that ""Notice shall be given at least five (5) days [rather than ten (10) days] in advance of any regular meeting..." Trustee McCue second the motion. Approval was unanimous. The new Schedule will take place on the third Tuesday of the month with the next regular meeting on April 16, 2024 at 6PM
- 5. Approve Resolution 2024-008 to allow the Village to apply for Congressional spending grants from Congresswoman Teresa Leger-Fernandez, Senator Ben Ray Lujan, & Senator Martin Heinrich. The Wastewater Director, Rose Fenton, stated that each grant request would be for \$5.2 million and have a 20% match requirement. If funded, these grants would help to identify the areas of greatest concern and to rehabilitate the collection lines and upgrade the treatment facility. Trustee Sanchez moved to accept the resolution. Trustee McCue second. During discussion, Director Fenton clarified that each federal legislator had a certain amount of money that they controlled and that the deadline for the senatorial grants is April 5, 2024, but congressional grant deadline was extended to April 10, 2023. Trustee Sanchez asked if \$5 million is right amount to ask for. Director Fenton replied that it will not be enough to finish the rehabilitation of all the collection lines but it should cover the

cost of identifying and replacing/repairing those lines determined to be most critical condition.

Trustee Boyd asked where we will come up with the 20% (\$1,040,00 per grant) matching funds for these grants. The Director stated that it will have to come out of Capital Outlay Funding. Mayor Nealeigh also mentioned that the last legislature had allocated funds to be used for matching federal grants but the guidelines for using those funds had yet to be published. It was agreed that potential sources for the matching funds would need to be identified and the funding pursued in a timely manner.

Mayor Nealeigh asked the Trustees If they wished to discuss the matter further and when no additional time for discussion was requested, the Mayor called for a roll call vote on the motion. Trustee Boyd voted affirmative. Trustee McCue voted affirmative. Trustee Sanchez voted affirmative. Trustee Wilson voted affirmative. The Mayor declared the motion to have passed.

6. Trustee Wilson moved to adjourn at 6:25 PM, Trustee McCue second. The meeting was adjourned.