VILLAGE COUNCIL TO CONSIDER OFFICER ELECTION OPTIONS

Municipal Office Elections is the term to describe how the Village currently does officer elections where the Village Clerk manages the election process and the Village covers the costs. Regular Local Elections is the term to describe the way of doing local elections where the county Bureau of Elections manages the election process and the county covers the costs. This chart details how these two ways of doing local elections are the same and different. The Village Council will decide between these options at their June 24 meeting. The public is always welcome. See the proposed ordinance at www.jemezsprings-nm.gov.

	Municipal Office Elections	Regular Local Elections
Who could be on the ballot?	Village Mayor, Trustees, Judge	Village Mayor, Trustees, Judge, and Jemez Valley Public School Board Trustees
Ballots will be produced at the time a registered voter signs in at the polling place	Yes	Yes
Will candidates for Village office still have to meet local residency requirements?	Yes	Yes
How will local "ballot questions" be handled?	Same	Same
Poll workers will be local volunteers	Yes	Yes
The polling place will be within the Village limits	Yes	Yes
When will elections be held?	March even years	November odd years
Early voting will take place at the designated Village polling	Yes	Yes
Jemez Springs voters may choose to vote at county-wide Voter Conveniece Centers	No	Yes
How do elections laws differ between the two options?	Same	Same
Who manages the election process?	Village Clerk	Sandoval County Bureau of Elections
Who covers the costs associated with the election process?	Village of Jemez Springs	Sandoval County