



TOWN OF JACKPOT, NEVADA ADVISORY BOARD

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JACKPOT ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

THURSDAY, April 11, 2024

6:30 P.M. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Jackpot Advisory Board was called to order by Chairperson Monica Burt at 6:30 pm mountain standard time on April 11, 2024, in the meeting room of the Jackpot Administration Building, Jackpot, Nevada.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Monica Burt
 Monique Gollihar
 Teresa Hugill
 Jeff Young

Absent:

Others Present: Shawn Burt, Jackpot Superintendent
 Gustavo Estrada, Public Works Lead
 Brian Hugill, Jackpot Fire Department
 Susan Paprocki, Elko Comptroller
 Aitor Narvaiza, Elko County Sheriff
 Angie Horn, MMSV Racing

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE GALLERY:

Chairperson Monica Burt advised the public to step to the front of the room to identify themselves and to speak clearly for the record. She stated that they should try and not speak out of turn or among themselves. If anybody has a cell phone it should be muted and if a call needs to be answered, it must be taken outside. She commented that everybody needs to wait their turn to speak, and the speaker needs to step-up to the podium to state his/her name and address. There shouldn't be side conversations or comments and she thanked everybody for their cooperation.

PROCEDURE

Time Limits: Public comments are welcome during the Public Comment periods at the beginning of the meeting, the end of the meeting, and during specific agenda items. Comments made during the Public Comment periods at the beginning and end of the meeting are limited to **7 minutes** per person.

Persons with presentations or comments longer than **7 minutes** should contact the County Administrative Offices to have the item placed on the agenda for discussion. Additionally, the Chair of the Board may limit public comment during a specific agenda item. If the Chair of the Board decides to limit public comment during a specific agenda item, the Chair shall announce, prior to taking any public comments on that specific agenda item, that the Public Comments on that specific agenda item are limited to **7 minutes** per person.

Chairperson Monica Burt stated that the public would be limited to 7 minutes per person, but not those making the presentation. Those interested in presenting anything would need to go to the administration office in order to have them add their items to the following agenda.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairperson Monica Burt led the pledge of allegiance.

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC:

Pursuant to N.R.S. 241.020, 2 (c) (3), this time is devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussion of those comments. No action may be taken upon a matter raised during a period devoted to comments by the general public until the matter itself has been specifically included on a successive agenda and identified to be an action item.

No Comments.

TOWN OF JACKPOT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

E1. Discussion and consideration to approve the Town of Jackpot Budget.

ACTION ITEM

Susan Paprocki (Elko County Comptroller) stated that she would be presenting the Town of Jackpot budget for fiscal year 2024/2025. The first page of the presentation shows the Ad Valorem tax rate. The assessed valuation in Jackpot increased 13.03% from the assessed valuation for fiscal year 2023/2024. There aren't any net proceeds taken into consideration. Jackpot has increased by twenty-one souls according to the population estimates.

General Fund:

The revenues in the general fund include taxes, licenses, and permits. There are some grants, consolidated tax, miscellaneous, and transfers in. In the taxes they are estimating one hundred ninety one thousand in tax revenue, one hundred and twenty thousand in licenses and permits. 1.9 million in consolidated tax, about one hundred and fifty thousand in miscellaneous, and sixty thousand dollars in transfers in. The transfers are from the utility funds in the town. The expenditures in the general fund consist of general government, public works, public safety, community service, contingency, and transfers out. She stated that the town is currently budgeted at three hundred and fifty thousand for general government, eight hundred and fifty two thousand for public works, 1.1 million for public safety, eight thousand for community service, and seventy two thousand for contingency, three hundred and fifty thousand for transfers out which leaves the ending fund balance of 19.43%. The ending fund balance for the general fund for the state of Nevada has to be above 4%, they strive to keep it between 12 and 14%. They try not to have an ending fund balance above 16% for the general fund.

The town's ending fund balance has additional funds that can cover all the requests made in the general fund.

Jackpot Town General Fund Requests:

There was a reduction in the services and supplies by eighteen thousand five hundred. Jackpot buildings/Grounds requested forty-five thousand dollars for facility repairs and maintenance, while also reducing the equipment line item in their budget. Jackpot Fire has requested additional personnel, an increase for overtime, a net increase to services and supplies, and some equipment for turnouts. Public Works has requested additional overtime and holiday pay but has reduced some of the line items in services and supplies for a total increase of six thousand dollars for public works. The paved streets department has a net decrease in their request of five thousand dollars. Airport has a decrease of thirty-nine thousand. The total amount that was requested was one hundred thousand nine hundred and fifty-three dollars, so granting all the requests leaves a 14% ending fund balance in the general fund which is the sweet spot for the general fund. If the town board would like to approve all the requests for the general fund, there is plenty of money available for that.

Recreation Fund:

The recreation fund is funded by room taxes and transfers in from the general fund. There is an estimated four hundred thousand dollars in room tax for the coming year. There are twenty-five hundred dollars for charges for services, and one hundred thousand dollars that are transferred in from the Jackpot general fund. The expenditures include the library, parks, tourism promotion, golf course, and the recreation center. The total expenditures are expected to be five hundred and thirty-seven thousand, at this moment it's a fifty percent ending fund balance for the recreation fund. The requests for this fund included some deductions. The library has reduced their services and supplies. The golf course has requested new equipment. The parks department has requested some fitness trail equipment. In the recreation center there has been some reduction in salaries and benefits, a small increase in services and supplies, and some capital funding. If all these requests are approved there is still an ending fund balance of thirty-eight percent. The first thing that this tells her is that, does the Jackpot recreation center really need the transfer in from the general fund or could it be better utilized in another fund perhaps in one of the capital funds because there are some capital requests as well. This is something for the board to consider.

Utility Funds:

The utility funds are slightly different than the operating funds. The utility funds are enterprise funds, and they work like a business. The charges for services in the **water fund** are estimated at four hundred and twenty thousand and the expenditures are estimated at three hundred and twenty-three thousand. There is some interest expense for bonds and there are transfers out. The net income is anticipated to be about fifty thousand dollars in the water fund. The **sewer fund's** revenue is being budgeted at two hundred fifty-one thousand which is a bit less than what was actually received there, but they are being very conservative with it. This matches expenditures including depreciation and there are also the transfers out. The net income is a negative twenty thousand, but there is a lot of cash in that fund. The **solid waste** fund is budgeted at one hundred seventy-five thousand. The expenses are budgeted to match that including depreciation and the twenty thousand dollars to the general fund which leaves an ending cash balance of six hundred forty-nine thousand. There is a utility request for a mini excavator, which can easily be absorbed in those funds because it wouldn't be too much of an impact to cash at thirty-two thousand five hundred each should the board decide to approve those.

Capital Project Fund:

There are three capital project funds for the town of Jackpot. The Jackpot Capital projects fund, Public Safety, and Ad Valorem. There is currently one hundred thousand dollars being transferred from the general fund to the Jackpot Capital project fund, fifty thousand in public safety capital, and one hundred thousand dollars going into that fund plus twenty-seven thousand from the Ad Valorem tax. There is currently a town events building that was approved this year for two hundred thousand dollars that would roll over. There is also the streetlights and sign project which would roll over with an additional twenty thousand dollars. There are some requests: public works has requested a utility truck and a backup generator, Jackpot fire has requested a backup generator, the golf course has requested blowers. She thinks that twelve thousand dollars are included in the recreation fund, so it doesn't need to be included in the capital fund. The recreation fund can be used. The events building funds will also roll over. The back generators could be approved and there will be plenty of funds, but if the pick-up truck is approved out of the regular capital there would only be seven thousand dollars, which isn't a lot for a capital fund. She recommends that the town doesn't transfer into the recreation fund because they have adequate funds to cover all of their operating costs, but rather she would increase the transfers into the capital funds if the town board is amenable to that. She illustrated what the amounts would be if the board would follow her recommendation. The board could even do an additional to public safety should anything come up. The transfer in would give the town adequate funds for capital projects throughout the year that are unforeseeable. The recreation fund would be reduced, but they would still have a twenty-one percent ending fund balance. In the general fund if they took the public safety and made it one hundred thousand it would be two hundred thousand which increases the line item by fifty thousand which would make it a twelve percent ending fund balance. There is an adequate fund balance in all the operating funds, the transfers will be going into capital so they will be reserved for capital purchases, equipment, buildings, and that sort of thing. Mrs. Paprocki asked if anybody had questions.

Jeff Young (Jackpot Advisory Board member) stated that he's seeing there are funds in the accounts and that hasn't happened in a long time. Mrs. Paprocki commented that they liked to have those fund balances and having a healthy town. She mentioned that 2020 was scary for everybody and nobody knew what was going to happen, so it's nice to see the town has been able to maintain its ending fund balances and the money in the bank. Chairperson Monica Burt commented that there have been price increases and so she is happy to see where the town is at. Mr. Young stated that he was amazed at how things look. Mrs. Paprocki stated that a tentative budget has been filed at base budget, so whatever the board approves she will take back for the final budget consideration to the commissioners for the final budget approval. She mentioned that the board could approve the budget as presented and it wouldn't have to be in parts. Chairperson Burt asked if there were any other things that Shawn Burt (Jackpot Town superintendent) needed to add. The reason that more things weren't added was because they don't know what expenses will come up or the cost with the new water system coming into play, capital money will be needed throughout that he isn't aware of yet, so this is the reason for leaving a cushion for the town to work with. Mr. Young asked about the town event building and those funds being rolled over. Mr. Burt stated that the previous year at the last budget the town pulled one hundred thousand out of the general fund and one hundred thousand out of the recreation fund for a total of two hundred thousand that would be used to purchase an event type building. The reason it hasn't been used and will be rolled over to the new fiscal year is that the cost isn't two hundred thousand, so this will be left alone.

There will be more funds in capital in this new fiscal year so as the event building or amphitheater project moves along there could be more funds to help with the cost. Chairperson Burt asked if anybody had more questions and Monique Gollihar (Jackpot Advisory Board member) stated that she was expecting bad news, but now she is happy. Chairperson Burt and Mr. Young both commented that this is the best budget that they have seen, Chairperson Burt mentioned that as far as she can remember there have always been cuts that need to be made. Mrs. Paprocki commented that Jackpot is the fortunate one in the county because the other departments in the county have all had to make cuts. Jackpot's assessed valuation has increased thirteen percent, but the county has only increased three percent. Mr. Young asked what the term ad valorem meant. Mrs. Paprocki stated that it was a fancy word for property taxes. The consolidated tax which is the other big piece of the tax puzzle is the sales taxes and all the components that go into that. Those are the two biggest revenue sources.

Motion: Jeff Young moved to accept this, seconded by Monique Gollihar. Motion passed.

VOTE:

Aye:	Monica Burt
	Monique Gollihar
	Teresa Hugill
	Jeff Young
Nay:	
Absent:	
Abstain:	

E2. Application 24-4000-0002, Darrell Jack of Four Jacks Casino-Motel

Discussion and consideration of Application 24-4000-0002, Darrell Jack of Four Jacks Casino-Motel, requesting a Conditional Use Permit to accommodate an already existing Mobile Home and to allow for an additional one to the Four Jacks campus.

APPLICATION: An application submitted by Darrell Jack of Four Jacks Casino-Motel requesting a Conditional Use Permit to accommodate an already existing Mobile Home and to allow for an additional one to the Four Jacks campus. Per ECC 4-4-5 (B-9).

LOCATION: APN 009-008-040. Being Parcel A of the Parcel Map for Jack Tax Shelter Trust, filed in the office of the Elko County Recorder, as file No. 425926. Being a portion of the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 12, Township 47 North, Range 64 East, M.D.B.& M., Elko County, Nevada. Street Address: 1702 US Highway 93; Jackpot, Nevada 89825.

APPLICANT: Darrell Jack

OWNERS: Darrell E Jack Et Al, Patricia L Jack Trust Et Al, and Jack Tax Shelter Trust

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

24-4000-0002, Staff Report_Jack, Darrell_CUP.pdf (See Attachment)

Corey Rice (Elko County Surveyor and Senior Planner) stated that this came to his attention when Darrell Jack applied for an electrical connection for a new premanufactured home. This is when they discovered that there was one already on the property.

The property is zoned C2 and it does allow for a conditional use permit for a mobile home park, to clean up the existing one and to accommodate the new one, this is the route that was chosen. The staff recommends approval of this application. Jeff Young (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked about the area where it would be located. Mr. Rice stated that he didn't want to have an exact location of them because he likes for them to figure out the best accommodation. Mr. Young asked if this would just be for one mobile home or many. Mr. Rice stated that no, this is just to accommodate the existing one and to allow for an additional home. This conditional use permit will only allow for two, if they want to do more, they will have to do another conditional use permit application. Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) commented that she didn't understand and asked if they would be putting another home on the property or trailers on the property. Mr. Rice stated that the permit only allows for one other premanufactured home other than the one on the property now. This permit will only allow them two premanufactured homes on the property. He commented that there is already an existent conditional use permit for an rv park, but that is a separate conditional use permit from the one they are asking approval for.

Chairperson Burt and the rest of the board members didn't have any further questions or comments.

Motion: Teresa Hugill motioned to accept it, seconded by Monique Gollihar. Motion passed.

VOTE:

Aye:	Monica Burt
	Monique Gollihar
	Teresa Hugill
	Jeff Young
Nay:	
Absent:	
Abstain:	

E3. Discussion and consideration to approve the tourism department spending \$9045.00 dollars on a two-page spread in the Southern Idaho Livability magazine. The cost will be split between the town's tourism budget line item and tourism's recreation board bank account. ($\$9045.00/2=\4522.50 from each account).

ACTION ITEM

Chairperson Monica Burt asked if Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Tourism) was available to explain this more if this is a onetime advertisement or a year advertisement. The clerk stated that she sent Mrs. Dimmitt a message because she is at a conference, but she was going to try and log onto the meeting. Brent Fleshman (Jackpot Golf Course) mentioned that he thought the magazine cost is an annual rate and it would be for one month. This magazine is in hotels, visitor centers, and other places. It's a big magazine, but it's an annual thing. Jeff Young (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked if this was just a paper magazine or if it would be available online. Chairperson Burt stated that she saw the actual magazine but wasn't sure of it being online also. Mr. Young commented that he isn't that fond of paper magazines and most people throw that stuff away before they look at it. Chairperson Burt stated that she would like to know if this could be accessed online to make it more cost effective because it's expensive. Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) mentioned that Twin Falls has a visitor center, and this is where this magazine would be at.

Monique Gollihar (Jackpot Advisory Board member) commented that there are also brochures of the hotels and all local information. Chairperson Burt reiterated the price of nine thousand dollars. Mrs. Gollihar commented that it's expensive, Mr. Young stated that the advertising is a great thing, but the cost. Mrs. Hugill commented that she didn't think it's too bad for an annual cost and it also depends on where it's being advertised, plus the funds would be taken from the tourism account. Chairperson Burt stated that the advertisement would be paid between the tourism recreation board funds and town's line item for tourism. Mr. Young stated that he was apprehensive about it, but he thinks it's a good thing, just a big price. Shawn Burt (Jackpot Town Superintendent) commented that he thinks that Mrs. Dimmitt has a deadline in the week. Mr. Young suggested that they do it this year and see if there is any feedback on it before considering it again the following year. He is apprehensive about it because it can be a great thing, or it can be a money pit. The clerk mentioned that the tourism board has done this magazine once already and moving forward the board decided not to continue with print issues. She thinks the magazine can be viewed online. Chairperson Burt stated that she found the entire magazine online and that if the magazine could be linked to the website it may be worth the money. Mrs. Gollihar commented that not a lot of people pick up print anymore. Mr. Young asked where and what hotels this magazine would be at. Mrs. Hugill stated that it would be in the nicer hotels. Chairperson Burt stated that people would be able to find out things to do, where to stay, and visitor information all online through the magazine, so the town's information would be added if they chose to do the articles. Chairperson Burt stated that they would table this item for a few minutes and return back to it.

Chairperson Burt asked Mrs. Dimmitt if the price of the magazine would make it available to people for a full year. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that the magazine wouldn't print until January 2025 so that there is time to get the article, and everything done. It will run for a year and the town will be on the website as well as the magazine itself. Chairperson Burt asked if the town had already worked with this magazine before, Mrs. Dimmitt stated that yes, it was done two years ago. The town had an article in it, and it gets well circulated around Southern Idaho, which is the perfect target audience. Chairperson Burt asked if this was beneficial two years ago or where it's placed. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that it's at the visitor center, several of the upper end hotels in the Twin Falls area and at other locations in the area. Jeff Young (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked if they could get a list of the areas where it will be at, Mrs. Dimmitt stated that she would get that information. Chairperson Burt asked if there was a deadline for this magazine, Mrs. Dimmitt stated that she would need to know the weekend in order for the magazine to save the town's two page spread. She commented that half of the cost would be covered by the town's tourism account and the other half would be from the recreation board funds. Monique Gollihar (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked if the website would be linked to the town's page, Chairperson Burt stated that yes and that they would like the town's website to be linked to the magazine also. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that there would be a QR code that would go directly to the town's website. Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked if there was any way of knowing how many people this actually reaches, is there a comment section, or does the website track the number of people that have visited the town. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that there isn't a way of knowing if these people have checked out Jackpot, but the magazine is well circulated. Shawn Burt (Jackpot Town Superintendent) commented that the QR code would probably track some information. Mrs. Hugill stated that it would be nice to get some sort of report. Mr. Young commented that per month it would be seven hundred and fifty-three dollars and seventy-five cents. He continues to be apprehensive about it because he doesn't know what the town will get out of it and it's hard to track in order to see if it's worth it.

Mrs. Dimmitt explained that in one of her classes it talked about AI and how the town's website tracks how many people check it out. She mentioned that if the board wasn't comfortable doing the magazine this year, she could get more information and they could do it later down the road. The magazine is targeted to those people who visit Southern Idaho, but there are also post cards and other forms of ways of getting the town's information out, so if they aren't comfortable doing the magazine there will be other opportunities down the road. Mrs. Gollihar commented that the two page spread is nine thousand, but the town could look at doing something not as expensive to see how it goes. Mr. Young stated that the full-page is five thousand five hundred eighty-five dollars, which is more palatable. Mrs. Gollihar commented that if the full-page ad engages the audience than they could consider the two-page spread the following year. Mr. Young mentioned that there is also a short lead time, and they need to decide at the meeting because the decision needs to be sent in by the end of the week. Mrs. Gollihar reiterated that since a two-page article is expensive they could choose a less expensive option as a trial like the full-page article for five thousand five hundred eighty-five dollars. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that she would be happy doing a single page article as well. She mentioned that Cactus Petes would also be advertising in the magazine. She believes that they have a two-page article also, so it's not like Jackpot wont be represented. Mr. Young commented that he thinks they should wait until next year so they can have more lead time, Mrs. Gollihar stated there could be more information and statistics. Chairperson Burt commented that maybe they could also ask Cactus Petes to see if they received more views. Mr. Young stated that he personally hadn't had the best experience with those types of magazines, so he is negative about it. Mrs. Hugill commented that she thinks the one-page article would be okay because the two-page one is quite a bit, and the tourism funds are to be used for advertising and it will go on the website. Mrs. Gollihar stated that she was stuck in the middle, but the one page would be four hundred sixty-five dollars per month compared to the almost eight hundred dollars. Mrs. Hugill commented that if they can see how many people, they actually reach then they could do more the following year.

Motion: Jeff Young made a motion to go forward with the five thousand five hundred eighty-five full-page, seconded by Monique Gollihar. Motion passed.

VOTE:

Aye: Monica Burt
Monique Gollihar
Teresa Hugill
Jeff Young

Nay:
Absent:
Abstain:

E4. Discussion and consideration to fill an open vacancy on the advisory board.

(See attachments)

ACTION ITEM

Chairperson Monica Burt stated that there are two applicants and the board members each have their submitted applications. She commented that usually the applicants introduce themselves. Saradel Ririe (Applicant) stated that she is married to Bruce Ririe and they just celebrated their 49th anniversary so there is longevity. She has never been a part of something like this before, but she has worked for the school district in Clark County for almost twenty years.

She did various jobs with them. She has also worked for three different banks in her career, The Royal Bank of Canada, Zion's Bank, and Valley Bank which was taken over by Bank of America. She has been bonded and she has a clear background, at the school fingerprints were done every year. She is a mother and has four daughters and a grandmother with seven grandchildren. She would like to do this because she wants to be involved. She sees a lot of opportunities for Jackpot and with Bruce having served on the board there were many things he was excited about. She would like to help perpetuate positive things for Jackpot and make it an even better community for everybody. She thanked the board.

There weren't any questions from the board. Chairperson Burt stated that she was reading over Larry's application. She knows him from work and the other board members also commented that they knew him. Chairperson Burt mentioned that she didn't know that he had previously served on the board. Jeff Young (Jackpot Advisory Board member) stated that it was a while back and Shawn Burt (Jackpot Town Superintendent) stated that it was before his time. Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) mentioned that Brian Hugill (Jackpot Fire Chief) had tried getting ahold of Larry.

Brent Fleshman (Jackpot Golf Course) commented that Larry was at the golf course playing. Mr. Young stated that he wanted to hear from Larry and he and Mrs. Hugill commented that this item should maybe be tabled for the next meeting. Mr. Young stated that Larry might have attended if the time hadn't changed, Monique Gollihar (Jackpot Advisory Board member) commented that Larry may have not known that the meeting time was at four because she was shocked, he wasn't in attendance. Mr. Young suggested that this item be tabled until the next meeting which would be on a Tuesday and at the regular time and not an odd time like this meeting.

This item was tabled until the next meeting.

RAFT RIVER RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY NON-ACTION ITEM

1. Raft River Electric update.

Mike Christensen (Raft River Electric) stated that he wasn't aware of any power outages or bumps in the town. This is a good thing. He mentioned that the previous month was the Raft River's annual meeting, and he welcomed Shawn Burt (Jackpot Town superintendent) to the board. They are excited to have him serve, cover, and represent this district. This is exciting. Mr. Christensen mentioned that they would like to work with the town regarding the cleanup day and if there was a date picked yet. Chairperson Monica Burt stated that there wasn't a teacher present to ask about the school. Mr. Burt commented that the next advisory board meeting would be on the 23rd and his board of directors meeting is on the 24th so he would have an answer for them. Chairperson Burt stated that they would need to talk to the school regarding the cleanup day. Mr. Christensen mentioned that at the last meeting there was also talk about doing an open house at the recreation center and the burgers could be done there. Chairperson Burt asked the school representatives if they knew if the school had decided on a date for the town clean up. Delma Fragoza (Jackpot Combined School) stated that she wasn't aware, and Maria Gonzalez (Jackpot Combined School) commented that she heard Katie Estrada (Jackpot Combined School) say the school would be participating, but there wasn't a date mentioned. Mr. Burt commented that there has been a recommendation for May 19th. May 19th is the day that Jackpot was organized. He commented that Kristie is planning a town event for Jackpot Days. This could include a town cleanup and BBQ.

Monique Gollihar (Jackpot Advisory Board member) commented that it would be on a Sunday. He stated that he would have to verify the day because he isn't sure about it. He and Kristie were talking about maybe moving the cleanup day to mid-May which would make it a week or two closer. He commented that Kristie isn't present, and he doesn't have all the details because she is the one who has been planning this. He thinks this is probably the best time. Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) commented that she was reaching out to Kristie in order to have her get to the meeting. Mr. Christensen commented that they think it's a great thing to be a part of and they appreciate the town. He mentioned that they hold a safety meeting every year and this year it will be done on July 23rd, he might talk to Brian about doing a safety demonstration with the fire department or first responders. He expressed appreciation for the town and thanked the board for the welcome that they receive.

**NEVADA HEALTH CENTER
NON-ACTION ITEM**

1. Nevada Health Center update.

No Representative present.

**JACKPOT COMBINED SCHOOL
NON-ACTION ITEM**

1. Jackpot Combined School update.

Delma Fragoza (Jackpot Combined School) stated that the juniors and seniors will be going to the gold mines on April 18th. There was a good turnout for heritage night. The school also had parent teacher conferences. The school has hydroponics which are indoor gardens, the third and fourth graders released some trout by the rest area. Jackpot became a STEM school and Mr. Squatrito was announced Nevada Rural Stem teacher of the year. Katie Estrada received the STARS award for April and there were only three people nominated for the entire district, so congrats to her. The following week will be HOPE Squad week and there will be dress up days. Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked what a STEM school was. Ms. Fragoza commented that STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math, the school is focusing on these areas. Chairperson Monica Burt stated that she thinks this is awesome because this usually means that there are more scholarships and monies for STEM schools and students. This is exciting and will allow more opportunities for the students and grants for the school.

**JACKPOT GOLF COURSE
NON-ACTION ITEM**

1. Golf Course operations update.

Brent Fleshman (Jackpot Golf Club) stated that there isn't much to report since the previous month. The golf course slowly gets going as the weather gets better. It has been a bit volatile the last few weeks. They are getting water in the lines and fixing any leaks or breaks. It should be a busy weekend because the weather looks good. If the weather is good on the weekends, it's always good. He mentioned that most of the work crew was out sick last week, some stomach thing, but most of them are back now. Saradel Ririe (Jackpot town member) asked if the golf course is open now and Mr. Fleshman said that yes, it is open.

JACKPOT TOURISM & SENIOR CENTER

NON-ACTION ITEM

1. Jackpot Tourism updates.

No Representative present.

2. Senior Center updates.

No Representative present.

JACKPOT EVENTS

NON-ACTION ITEMS

1. Event operations update.

Kristie Wells (Event Coordinator) stated that something that was brought to her attention was maybe doing a Founders Day. The town was founded May 19th and was originally called the Horse Shu, so she wouldn't mind naming it Horse Shu Days. She's lived in some areas where they do peach days or raspberry days. She is trying to do something like this for Jackpot, tentatively she is thinking a parade at eleven, hotdogs at noon, a horseshoe competition to tie it with the name, "Horse Shu Days." This could be done from one to three and have vendors attend starting at two. She would like to get ahold of Larry Lineberry for the music in order to make it a big event. She commented that along with vendors they could also do a beer garden. It would be fenced off and alcohol would only be consumed there. She would like to get everybody in the town involved, Barton's, Cactus Petes, Loves, and outside vendors like Sam who sells ice cream. Monique Gollihar (Jackpot Advisory Board member) mentioned that she should also talk to vendors from Twin Falls like the corn dog guy. Kristie stated that she would also like to talk to the locals like Matt who sold things before and Four Jacks. Chairperson Burt asked if this would be done on a weekend because May 19th is a Sunday. Ms. Wells stated that when she was approached regarding a founder day event it would be held on the date that the town was established, and it just happens to be a Sunday this time. She wouldn't see an issue any other day of the week, but Chairperson Burt commented that during the week the children have classes. Ms. Wells stated that if the town does stick with May 19th for the following years the activities could start after school. Shawn Burt (Jackpot Town superintendent) mentioned that they also thought it could be combined with the cleanup day and he asked Mike Christensen (Raft River) if Sunday would be an issue to which he said that yes, because they are all off. He commented that they could do it the week prior in preparation of the event. Mrs. Gollihar stated that this was a good idea because they would make the town pretty in preparation for the event. Jeff Young (Jackpot Advisory Board member) commented that he wasn't sure he liked the name, "Horse Shu" because it's the name of a business in town and the association would always be there. Ms. Wells commented that it could be, "Jackpot Horse Shu Days" and Mr. Young stated that it could just be, "Jackpot Days." Ms. Wells stated that she wanted to take some of the history of Jackpot and incorporate it because that would be the purpose of a founder's day. Ms. Wells asked if the board was okay with the idea in order for her to continue working on it. The board stated that they were and that for the next meeting they would like more information. Ms. Wells commented that there is also talk of having bouncy houses for the children to make the event as big as possible with short notice.

JACKPOT RECREATION CENTER

NON-ACTION ITEMS

1. Recreation Center Department operations update.

Laura Cortes (Jackpot Recreation Center Lead Lifeguard) stated that they started a comment box in order to hear from the guests and customers. The comments were to bring the basketball hoop back in the building, get rid of the pool, an indoor basketball court/volleyball court, cold tub, back workout machines, they like the new machines and TVs, they would like the building open on Monday, the recreation center looks amazing/such an improvement, great management, open Monday through Saturday how it used to be, heavy dumbbells, hot tub, keep the pool because it helps older people exercise without the pressure on their joints, and to keep half of the pool open so that no lifeguards are needed. Saradel Ririe (Jackpot Town member) asked if this could legally be done, Chairperson Monica Burt stated that no, but Shawn Burt (Jackpot Town superintendent) stated that it could if it were a wading pool. Mrs. Ririe commented that it would be useless. Ms. Cortes commented that TVs have been installed along with new equipment, so the equipment was rearranged to make room. There is sections of furniture where children can do homework or hangout. Monique Gollihar (Jackpot Advisory Board member) commented that it looks nice. Betty Marquez (Jackpot Recreation Center) mentioned that the floors were cleaned, rewaxed, and polished. Ms. Cortes mentioned that the signs at the recreation have also been installed with prices and another sign with rules for the gym. She commented that led lights have also been installed outside the building and they are waiting on a quote to see the price for installing them inside the building. Chairperson Burt mentioned that from her understanding the lights can change colors. Ms. Cortes stated that yes and that they could match the holiday happening. She commented that for the month of January there were eighty-three people who went to the facility, but nobody used the pool, February had one hundred eighty-five people, four people for the pool, and fifteen people who just visited the facility, so the total of two hundred and four, March was slow, there were sixty-five people in the gym, seven in the pool, ten in other for a total of eighty-two. The deposit amount was three hundred and forty-eight dollars. In April things picked up a bit, there were ninety-five for the gym, eight for the pool, and sixty-two for other for a total of one hundred sixty-five. Chairperson Burt stated that she liked the breakdown and thanked Ms. Cortes for it. Ms. Cortes mentioned that the recreation center will be hosting Mother's Day arts and crafts activity for elementary through high school students. She will have a flyer made up for the board's approval for the next meeting. She mentioned that the recreation center team would like to give the public works team a shout out for helping with the machines and putting things up. Chairperson Burt stated that she thinks it's great and thanked Ms. Cortes for the presentation. It is looking amazing down there and she thanked them for all the work they have done.

JACKPOT PUBLIC WORKS

NON-ACTION ITEM

1. Public Works water, sewer, landfill, streets, and operations update.

Gustavo Estrada (Jackpot Public Works lead) was absent. Shawn Burt (Jackpot Town Superintendent) stated that the public works team has been doing a lot of prep and getting things done. They finished some streetlights and will be wiring more. He asked Mike (Raft River) if they would be assisting with this, and he wasn't aware of this. Mr. Burt commented that there was fence work done at the dog park, a bigger gate was installed.

There was an iron rod fence placed around the horseshoe pits and the public works team has spent a great amount of time trying to get the recreation center to look good. They stripped and polished the floors.

He has also pulled them on other projects regarding the housing development. He commented that he had a meeting the previous week with the developer, Corey Rice (Elko County Surveyor and Senior Planner), and the agreement they came up with is to use the five hundred thousand dollars from the ARPA funding to do five hundred feet of utilities. This is equivalent to twenty homes that will be installed first. There will be fourteen singlewide homes with a soft set and six duplexes. They are currently waiting on some final costs and the developer has started doing development engineering designs and once that goes in things will move fast. Mr. Burt stated that he's predicting the homes will sell fast and then phase two will start. He mentioned that they are over half-way done with the master plan for the airport and it's going well. It looks like once this is done it's still going to take a little bit for the BLM to relinquish some of the property closer to the airport. He isn't sure of the timeframe. The engineering firm for the WIIN's grant has been awarded and they will be starting the study. They will be in the town the following week surveying and fact finding to see where the new well and tank should go. Everybody has been busy, and he thinks everything is looking good around town. It's getting cleaned up. The public works department will start sweeping soon and doing some road prep which means people will receive notices regarding their vehicles. Chairperson Monica Burt commented that she noticed that the Covered Wagon area was being cleaned up. Mr. Burt stated that they did get a permit to clean, but until they submit engineering plans and stamped drawings they are at a standstill. Chairperson Burt mentioned that next to Thrive there are two broken down mobile homes, Mr. Burt stated that this was included in the nuisance notice that was sent out. The owner needs to dispose of those along with piles of material that are on that property. If he doesn't comply there will be repercussions on the county side.

JACKPOT FIRE/AMBULANCE/SAFETY

1. Jackpot Fire Department operations update.

Brian Hugill (Jackpot Fire Chief) stated that they have had EMT classes and there are a few people that will be testing. He commented that he has one person doing the advance EMT course and has been training at the Elko ambulance, Brandon Martinez. He mentioned that he is working on the code enforcements regarding some businesses and getting those in line with the help of Elko County. The north side of the fire station will be under construction soon. They will be starting with the parking area and the rest will continue in phases because of a certain dollar amount. He still has monies left over in the trust, three hundred thousand dollars and some change. He reiterated that they would start with the parking area and then they will add the third bay over time. They have picked up a few people and they are working out. They responded to a home fire in Contact, Nevada, one of the heat units started the fire. He mentioned that he is working with somebody in Wells who lights fires, so they have been traveling to Wells now for a while. He commented that there will be a huge celebration in Pole Creek, and he will be trying to get them to get a permit. The first permit has gone through and now they are working on the second one with the folks that want to have a monster truck event. He mentioned that Love's would like to sponsor some things. He stated that they have been having some hazmat calls at Loves which are to be expected and they are usually right on it without any problems. He commented that there was a truck driver who drove with a hazmat from mile marker 139 into town and put it in backwards at Loves.

The whole side of the truck was missing and dragging from what the video showed and he later drove out of town with another truck. He mentioned that the new fire truck (Engine 14) should be finished and in the town around the first of May. The only thing left is the pump testing on it and to certify it to fight fire. He thanked the board.

2. Jackpot Ambulance operations update.

Shelly Hester (Fire/Ambulance) was absent.

3. Elko County Sheriff's operations update.

Sheriff Aitor Narvaiza stated that they have been busy, and they have signed off on some language for the mud bongs and drag races at the airport. He was also informed about the event at Pole Creek in June, which is a five or six day event. They will be needing all the reinforcements, law enforcement, EMS, and helicopters because it will be a huge event. He commented that the previous week there was an incident in Jackpot. The deputies responded to Loves on a shot fire call. They ended up finding the individual and Sheriff Narvaiza believes that the individual fired his weapon twenty-four times. He was taken into custody, the highway patrol also helped, and the individual was located at the Spanish Gardens rv. He commented that unfortunately due to the court's omnibus hearing; bail was dropped, and the subject posted bail and he was released. The sheriff's office had nothing to do with it.

In cases like this the individual gets charged and goes up in front of the district's attorney's office, public defender's office, and the judge. The attorneys argue on why the individual should stay in jail or not, if the bond should or not be kept, and the judge makes the decision, so based on the decision the bail was lowered and he was able to post bail, but he will have a court date. He commented that in the last three days there have been two suicides and eight deaths between Wells and Elko. There was a head on between a passenger truck and commercial truck on 93, everybody in the passenger truck was killed. There was a suicide in Wendover at the 373 and one at Death. There are currently one hundred and fifty inmates as of today in custody, so they are pretty busy and it's only the beginning of the busy season. There are events in Jackpot, Pole Creek, concerts, and the mining expo. They are doing pretty good, and they have four people getting background checks, the jail is full, there are two patrols that have retired after twenty-eight years of service. He hopes they enjoy their retirement, it's well over do. He asked if anybody had questions and the board responded with a no. They thanked Mr. Narvaiza.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT AND OTHER ITEMS OF DISCUSSION:

NON-ACTION ITEM

1. Discussion and consideration of received correspondence.

No items.

**CONSENT AGENDA
ACTION ITEM**

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and may be acted upon by the commission with one action without extensive discussion. Any member of the commission or any citizen may request that an item be taken from the consent agenda, discussed, and acted upon separately during this meeting.

Approval of Minutes – DRAFT Jackpot Advisory Board March 14, 2024
(This material is available upon request.)

Next Meeting Date – April 23, 2024

Motion: Teresa Hugill moved to accept the minutes from the fourteenth of March and the next meeting date for the twenty-third of April at 6:30pm, seconded by Jeff Young . Motion passed.

VOTE:

Aye: Monica Burt
Monique Gollihar
Teresa Hugill (Zoom)
Jeff Young

Nay:
Absent:
Abstain:

**ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF COMMENTS:
NON ACTION ITEM**

This time is devoted to comments by Advisory Board Members and/or Staff for general information or update purposes. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on a successive agenda and identified to be an action item.

Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked Shawn Burt (Jackpot superintendent) if there was a way to get a crosswalk with a light down at the other end. Monique Gollihar (Jackpot Advisory Board member) commented that she asked about this already. Mrs. Hugill commented that there are not only Thrive employees crossing the road, but there are now customers doing it. Mr. Burt stated that this would be DOT’s jurisdiction and he doesn’t have jurisdiction, the town can’t even put a sign in their right of way. Mrs. Hugill asked how they were supposed to protect people. Mr. Burt stated that the following month he had a meeting with DOT in Elko. He has made his appeals for things to happen on 93 throughout the town, but he’s been ignored a lot. He has brought this to the attention of Amanda Osbourne (County manager) and so he will be meeting with the DOT on May 7th. Mrs. Hugill commented that she didn’t want to see somebody get hit especially since people speed through town at the end. Mr. Burt stated that this is an issue and people are walking across everywhere on 93. He commented that even if something is put there people aren’t going to use it, there is a pedestrian sign on the other end of town and people aren’t even pushing the button when they cross. He understands that there needs to be protection, especially with the trucks coming out of Loves.

He's even talked to Loves about having something put in there, because there should've been something with DOT when the facility was built. The area is all DOT responsibility because he tried to get signs and he offered to pay and install them, but he wasn't allowed. Mrs. Hugill asked if it would be beneficial for a board member to attend the meeting also, and Mr. Burt stated that it could be. He commented that what is going to happen is that one of our congressman's or senator's wife or children is going to die on this road and that's when change will happen. Jeff Young (Jackpot Advisory Board member) commented that signs which illustrate the person's speed are effective. Mr. Burt stated those could be all over the town, just not on highway 93. He mentioned that it took three years for DOT to post "no engine break" signs after continuously asked. Aitor Narvaiza (Elko County Sheriff) mentioned that they could have a highway patrol with a speed trailer setup. Mr. Burt stated that this could be done only on the town side, but permanent structures can't be installed. He mentioned that the public works' team would get in trouble if they drop their plow on highway 93 because that is DOT's area. Mr. Young asked if the sheriff's department could help the town by asking NDOT to let something be installed.

Mr. Narvaiza stated that NDOT is tough, and they are set in their ways, in order for them to do something it has to go through the governor's office. Mrs. Gollihar commented that it's not like there hasn't been people killed crossing the road. Mr. Burt stated that he was sent a TikTok video showing that instead of flags at pedestrian signs there are bricks. Mrs. Gollihar commented that she would like flashlights to be purchased because walking in that area in the dark is scary. Mr. Burt mentioned that he has talked to Loves about adding stop signs because people don't stop at all. There was an incident where Brian Hugill (Jackpot Fire Chief) was coming from the school and there was a call, but a truck pulled out in front of him. Mrs. Hugill asked that she be reminded of when the meeting with DOT will be. Mr. Young asked about getting streetlights on the highway. Mr. Burt stated that he knows there needs to be more illumination on the highway, but residents should also respect stop signs. He has seen many residents not stop on Gurley when there is a pedestrian. Mrs. Hugill asked if the deputies should be asked to start giving tickets. Sheriff Narvaiza commented that Mountain City Highway had a small child killed crossing the road a couple months ago. There have been a couple people that have been hit on 12th and Idaho at the pedestrian crossing, this also includes people on bicycles. People just don't pay attention because the area is well lit. Chairperson Burt mentioned that according to Mr. Burt there used to be lights on highway 93, but DOT took them out and never put them back up so she would like that addressed again. Mrs. Hugill stated that they just need to pressure DOT until something is done. Sheriff Narvaiza stated that it's not NDOT who makes the decisions, but people in the state and it's a tough thing to get funding from them. Mr. Burt stated that it would almost be cheaper for the town to budget for the pedestrian crosswalk light project and get the permits for the right of way. Chairperson Burt asked about the cost and Mr. Burt stated that the current one that was installed five years ago was two hundred seventy-five thousand dollars to install and so now it's probably around three hundred and fifty thousand. He did look into relighting both sides of highway 93 years ago and it was going to be seven hundred thousand dollars. Mr. Narvaiza stated that this was a state issue, Mr. Burt stated that the state took them out and never put them back.

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC:

NON ACTION ITEM

Pursuant to N.R.S. 241.020, 2(c) (3), this time is devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussion of those comments. No action may be taken upon a matter raised during a period devoted to comments by the general public until the matter itself has been specifically included on a successive agenda and identified to be an action item.

Angie Horn (M.A.S.V Racing) thanked the board, sheriff's department, public works, and fire department for letting them race again this year. They got the permit all done. They found out that Sage Raceway in Idaho Falls has closed their doors, so they have been working with them to race in Jackpot. They are looking at a good turnout for 4/20. She's had racing bikes from Firebird reach to her wanting to bring the racing bikes to the town. Things are looking good. Helping Hands will be having a baked food sale and selling snow cones, coke products will be sold under a canopy, and Erik Cervantes along with the girls' basketball team will be selling food for their basketball team expense. She asked if anybody had questions. The gates for the event on 4/20 will open at 8am, racing will start at 10am, and if there are less than ten cars the races will only last four hours, but if there are more it will be a full day. The tickets are seven dollars per person and children ten and under are free. They are offering ride-along trips this year. The person riding will need to be big enough to be put in safely and there will be extra helmets on hand. They are hoping it will be bigger this year.

She has reached out to Cactus Petes, Bartons Club 93, and Loves so she is waiting to hear back from them, otherwise they will continue on.

ADJOURN

ACTION ITEM

Motion: Jeff Young moved to adjourn, seconded by Monique Gollihar. Motion passed.

VOTE:

Aye: Monica Burt
Monique Gollihar
Jeff Young
Teresa Hugill

Nay:

Absent:

Abstain:

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.