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JACKPOT ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

THURSDAY, October 10, 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 October 10, 2024, in the meeting room of the Jackpot Administration Building, Jackpot, Nevada.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Monica Burt
 Larry Lineberry
 Jeff Young
 Teresa Hugill

Absent: Monique Gollihar

Others Present: Gustavo Estrada, Public Works Lead
 Brian Hugill, Jackpot Fire Department
 Shelly Hester, Jackpot Ambulance
 Theresa Dimmitt, Jackpot Recreation Center
 Theresa Dimmitt, Jackpot Tourism/Senior Center
 Kerrie Preston, Nevada Health Centers
 Deborah Ostertag & Shelly Hester, Jackpot Combined School

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE GALLERY:

Chairperson Jeff Young advised the public to step to the front of the room to identify themselves and to speak clearly for the record. He 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. He 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. There shouldn't be side conversations or comments, and he 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 Jeff Young 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:

Jeff Young led the pledge of allegiance.

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC:

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No Comments.

**TOWN OF JACKPOT
FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

No Comments.

**RAFT RIVER RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY
NON-ACTION ITEM**

1. Raft River Electric update.

Mike Christensen (Raft River Electric) was absent. Austin Udy (Raft River Electric) relayed the information. He commented that the outage that Idaho Power has scheduled for this fall isn't quite as long as they initially thought of eight hours to replace some poles. He doesn't think it will be that long and in conjunction with that Raft River will be setting poles along the west side of Dotty's parking lot. They will be moving the line to the west. They are still waiting on Dotty's easement to get signed and as soon as they get that they can have a game plan on when the outage will be scheduled. They will then let everybody know. Chairperson Jeff Young asked how long it would last and Mr. Udy stated that most of the power line could be built without power, so his guess is four to six hours. Larry Lineberry (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked if their project and Idaho Power's project would be combined, Mr. Udy stated that yes, and that they would coordinate with Idaho Power, but they would like to do it before it gets cold.

Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked if the outage would be starting in the morning because the earlier and faster that the outage is over with the businesses could still salvage the rest of the day.

Deborah Ostertag (Jackpot Combined School) asked if this would be done on a school day to which Mr. Udy stated that yes since the company works Monday through Thursday. He mentioned that somebody mentioned that somebody would be contacting them about a new subdivision on the south side of the town, but they haven't heard anything. The board all agreed that none of them had heard anything regarding that, but that it could be a good thing.

**NEVADA HEALTH CENTER
NON-ACTION ITEM**

1. Nevada Health Center update.

Kerrie Preston (Practice Manager for Jackpot and Wendover location) stated she sent flyers to all the board members regarding the mammovan being in Jackpot on November 5. The van will be at the clinic parking lot on the Tuesday, Nov 5 and will start seeing patients at 7:40am and ending about 3:20pm. She will get those flyers posted on Facebook and there will also be some at the clinic. She would like to have as many women as they can be seen. Rachel Grant (Nurse Practitioner) was at the clinic on October 2nd, and she saw twenty-two patients. They were busy and they even sent a couple of MA's from Wendover to help out. It was a very busy day in the Jackpot clinic. They are still working on getting additional providers from Nevada Health Centers to the town in order to have more coverage. The numbers are obviously showing that the town needs it and so they will continue working on it and as soon as she has a concrete plan, she will share it with the board. Vice-Chairperson Monica Burt commented that in-person voting is the same day also.

**JACKPOT COMBINED SCHOOL
NON-ACTION ITEM**

1. Jackpot Combined School update.

Deborah Oster (Jackpot Combined School) stated the following week would be Homecoming and they are going to try to bring back the parade, but they will be starting really small. The classes will be doing floats and will start on the back street of the school, go around the school, and back into the library parking lot. The smaller students will be on the street on Keno Drive watching, they hope to add more community involvement the following year. The parade will start at 3:20pm on Thursday for those who would like to see it. She mentioned that starting Monday there would be dress-up days such as Monsters Inc, twin-day, witches vs. wizards (girls wear pink and boys wear black), and Drippy Thursday "bleed blue" spirit colors and blue out for the volleyball game. Shelly Hester (Jackpot Combined School) commented that parent teacher conferences would be on October 29th and 30th. The students will be released at 12:10pm with conferences to follow. The times for the parent teacher conferences will be posted at a later time. Ms. Ostertag mentioned that it was the first day that the school participated in the weekend food backpack program through Communities of School of Northeastern Nevada. There needs to be food insecurity in order for parents to apply and the school also sends things in. The school was sent bags from Elko and Bridgit Moore (Wells Social worker) got them, and another teacher drove them to the Jackpot Loves parking lot in a horse trailer where she unloaded them. There are enough for three weeks. There were fifteen bags given out and there may be more parents that apply. Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked what the program was and

Ms. Ostertag stated that it's the weekend backpack food program and the student gets a bag of food to take home for the weekend.

The school worked on this all last year to get it, but there was a lot of turnover with the program's staff so they couldn't get it established and they couldn't figure out how they were going to get them delivered from Elko because they don't deliver.

She mentioned that on Monday the Leadership and Hope Squad class visited Jae's Place in Twin Falls. Jae's Place is run by the Jae's Place foundation which is in honor of Jae Bing who took his own life. Jae's friend Jason felt that he didn't slow down enough to listen and maybe help his friend, so he wanted something positive. It took him three or four years to come up with the concept. Jae was a cowboy who was adopted out of South Korea, lived in Pinedale, Wyoming, and loved cowboy boots, his parent's owned a cowboy store in Pinedale. Through trial and tribulations, they came up with the idea of a boot check. Everybody who went on the trip received a pair of cowboy boots. The idea is that it's okay not to be okay and when you are not okay that it's okay to ask for help. The boots are a personal thing that remind you to contact the people that you love and mean a lot to you, so you can let them know that. This is called a "boot check." She thinks the students and adults got a lot out of it and since the school isn't out of Idaho or Wyoming a sponsor was needed and the sponsorship was through a ranch in Hagerman where Stormi works. A husband and wife who own the ranch sponsored the trip along with one other one in the future. The seniors just finished their pizza sales, and they did better than any other class. They sold one hundred seventy-two pizza kits. She mentioned that there wouldn't be class on Veteran's Day which is on Monday, November 11th, so that means there will be class on Friday.

Chairperson Jeff Young commented that years ago there was a bonfire during homecoming and Ms. Ostertag stated that she only remembers one in the eight years that she has been at the school, and it stopped because of fire restrictions.

JACKPOT GOLF COURSE

NON-ACTION ITEM

1. Golf Course operations update.

No representative present.

JACKPOT TOURISM & SENIOR CENTER

NON-ACTION ITEM

1. Jackpot Tourism updates.

Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Tourism) stated that there are people still coming to the town, so they must be doing okay.

2. Senior Center updates.

Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Senior Center) stated that the senior center is moving to the recreation center the following week, poker and bingo will be held at the recreation center. It will start on Tuesday. She commented that over the summer things were getting busier at the recreation center and it's expanding, they hope this continues at the recreation center. They noticed that it was growing when they were in the admin building and it decreased when they moved to the public works building.

JACKPOT EVENTS

NON-ACTION ITEMS

1. Event operations update.

No representative present.

JACKPOT RECREATION CENTER

NON-ACTION ITEMS

1. Recreation Center Department operations update.

Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Recreation Center) stated that for the month of September the gym saw two hundred and nine people, twenty for the pool, and eight for other which is a total of two hundred and thirty-seven people in the facility. They deposited three hundred and seven dollars. There are two parties scheduled for the month. Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked if they also count the number of people attending parties. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that no and asked if she wanted her to. This wasn't how she was told to do it. Mrs. Hugill commented that she was just curious. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that she was at a major disadvantage, she moved to the recreation center after coming back from a conference and on her return the person who knew everything put in her notice. Laura Cortes (Jackpot Recreation Center Lead Lifeguard) is no longer at the recreation center; she works full-time at Thrive and she works for the school. Mrs. Dimmitt commented that she is still learning and will continue to learn things as needed. Chairperson Jeff Young asked if the board would like those numbers. Mrs. Hugill commented that it would bring the numbers up, Vice-Chair Monica Burt stated that those numbers could be a separate line item, and Chairperson Young mentioned that it would show the traffic in the recreation center. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that there would be a party on Saturday and the one after that on the following Saturday there will be like seventy people. She won't have an accurate number, and she will go by what the people tell her. Larry Lineberry (Jackpot Advisory Board member) suggested that gets an estimate. Mrs. Hugill commented that a staff meeting for Thrive was held at the recreation center and so Mrs. Dimmitt stated that there were more like three hundred people in assistance for the month of September. Chairperson Young commented that this showed all the activity happening at the recreation center.

JACKPOT PUBLIC WORKS

NON-ACTION ITEM

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

Gustavo Estrada (Jackpot Public Works lead) stated that they did the tree planting two weeks prior and there was a lot of community involvement. He thanked Lisa and Nevada Plants for helping with the planting of the trees and teaching the community how to correctly plant the tree. It was a good turnout. They did about seventeen trees in the parks, and they gave away the remaining. They plan to do another planting session in the Spring and there will be more trees given away. They have been working on the landscaping in the area, building barrier walls, and making everything look nice. They have also done some work at the shop, they are working with Raft River to add generators to the shop and fire house in order to have power when it goes out, they will also be adding more streetlights later on. There are many other projects that they have going on, plus they need to get ready for winter. Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked about the turnout at the tree planting event. Mr. Estrada stated that there were probably about thirty people, and he was surprised.

Chuck Steel (Jackpot resident) couldn't attend, but he sent two guys to help plant trees which was appreciated. Mrs. Hugill stated that the wall looks fabulous, Mr. Estrada stated that it's thanks to the guys who are working their butts off.

JACKPOT FIRE/AMBULANCE/SAFETY

1. Jackpot Fire Department operations update.

Brian Hugill (Jackpot Fire Chief) stated that this month has been a busy month with over forty calls. Stacy Martinez (Jackpot Fire) commented that there were twelve fire calls and seven service calls. Chief Hugill mentioned that the crew did a great job with the fire at Loves and Shelly Hester (Jackpot Ambulance) backed them up, he was in Salt Lake, but he drove back as soon as he found out. The truck driver pulled into the opening and dropped his trailer there. The fire occurred somewhere between Wells and Jackpot, and it was because of a brake pad. He mentioned that he is currently working on the Halloween event, Larry Lineberry (Jackpot Advisory Board member) will be providing the music like always, Vice-Chair Monica Burt is also involved, and he has spoken with Shawn Burt (Jackpot Town superintendent) about possibly involving bounce houses. Once things are all set a flyer will be provided. He commented that the following week Ms. Martinez would be talking at the school about fire prevention, this year they will be trying to check smoke detectors for people. He has many of them along with batteries for those that may need them, and he would like a PSA reminding people to check their fire alarms. He commented that all the guys and gals on his crew will be going to instructor school, so he won't have to teach as much anymore. Ms. Martinez is about ready to do her EMS.

Mr. Hugill explained that the foundation for the north side of the firehouse has been poured, but there was concern because of the footings. The construction company did send it in to Jess (Elko County Buildings/Grounds) to see and are waiting for a response. The building is in Hazleton currently and will be dropped off at the fire station. He will be meeting with them tomorrow to see what follows. He mentioned that the trust has purchased new lockers for station where the crew will be able to keep their gear and reminded everybody to watch out for mice because there is an infestation at the station and could be around town. He commented that the public work's crew did a fantastic job with the barrier wall.

Vice-Chair Monica Burt commented that she shared a concept for the entrance with Mr. Hugill and she had a picture of it for everyone to see. Mr. Hugill mentioned that people had requested that it be earlier in the day so that it isn't as cold, and he is okay with that. He thinks that five will work for a start time, so the setup will need to be earlier in the day. They will get everything figured out as to not block people from the golf course in case it's still open.

2. Jackpot Ambulance operations update.

Shelly Hester (Jackpot Ambulance) stated that for the previous month there were twenty-two calls and nine of those were transports. They have been holding steady at twenty or better calls every month.

3. Elko County Sheriff's operations update.

No representative present.

**CORRESPONDENCE REPORT AND OTHER ITEMS OF DISCUSSION:
NON-ACTION ITEM**

1. Discussion and consideration of received correspondence.

No correspondence.

**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 September 12, 2024
(This material is available upon request.)

Next Meeting Date – October 22, 2024

Chairperson Jeff Young commented that a second meeting in October would be needed because of a zoning item that needed to be on the agenda.

Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked the clerk to send them a reminder for the meeting.

Motion: Vice-Chair Monica Burt made a motion to accept the meeting date of October 22, 2024, and our minutes from our last meeting, seconded by Larry Lineberry. Motion passed.

VOTE:

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

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

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Chairperson Jeff Young asked about being able to put the fire detector PSA on the app to remind everybody in town to check their batteries. He normally changes his around the same time as the time change. Shelly Hester (Jackpot Ambulance) commented that the time change would take effect the first Sunday in November, which is the 3rd.

Vice-Chair Monica Burt mentioned that there were seventeen children listed that could use the HeadStart program and she will be sending that information to her contact. Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) commented that she remembers having meetings about getting that program again, but due to not enough interest or a building for it, nothing could be done. Vice-Chair Burt stated that she talked with Shawn Burt (Jackpot Town superintendent) about a building, and they think that maybe one of the school's portables could be used or adding another one at the school so that it would be in a secure location. This is something that her contact would be talking to the school district about, and Mr. Burt also had other places in town where it could be placed. They would also need to find grants to help pay for the building, she knows all the grant money has been spent, so this wouldn't happen until the following year. There are children on the list that are pretty young, but this is a work in progress, and they will be older as time progresses. She hopes to have something to report at the next meeting and she is excited for Halloween.

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC:

NON-ACTION ITEM

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No Comments.

ADJOURN

ACTION ITEM

Motion: Larry Lineberry moved to adjourn, seconded by Teresa Hugill. Motion passed.

VOTE:

Aye: Larry Lineberry
Jeff Young
Teresa Hugill
Monica Burt

Nay:

Absent: Monique Gollihar

Abstain:

Chairperson Jeff Young reminded everybody to unmute their phones.

The meeting adjourned at 7:02 pm.