



**TOWN OF JACKPOT, NEVADA
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**JACKPOT ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

THURSDAY, January 26, 2023

6:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Jackpot Advisory Board was called to order by at 6:00 pm mountain standard time on January 26, 2023, in meeting room of the Jackpot Administration Building, Jackpot, Nevada.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Teresa Hugill
Bruce Ririe
Monica Burt

Absent:

Others Present: Shawn Burt, Jackpot Public Works Superintendent
Brian Hugill, Jackpot Fire Chief
Shelly Hester, Jackpot Ambulance
Brad Hester, Jackpot resident
Monique Gollihar, Jackpot resident
Julie Carter, Jackpot resident

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE GALLERY:

Chairperson Teresa Hugill 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.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairperson Teresa Hugill led the pledge of allegiance.

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC:

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Brad Hester (Jackpot Fireworks) stated that it's almost that time again to start ordering fireworks for the Fourth of July. He's been communicating with Dean and as of now the prices are stable, but they can increase. He commented that the current cost of the show is twenty thousand dollars for the Fourth of July and five thousand dollars for the Christmas show. The Fourth of July show lasts for thirty minutes.

TOWN OF JACKPOT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- a. Open forum discussion.

Chairperson Teresa Hugill stated that the second meetings every other week are for discussions regarding items that may or may not be included in the meeting on the second Thursday of each month.

Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) stated that he's been working with a group of people who want to do a mud bog race. They will be doing the event and promoting it. Jackpot will have one of the biggest payouts along with Emmett. It will take place between the park and the golf course. This will be a big event and it would be a great place for the tourism department to advertise and there could be fundraisers.

He commented that the town would be providing a checklist of the things that will be required because the special event permits won't be available. The contact he has will be sending him a list of things that maybe the town can help provide. The date will be July 15, 2023, and she has asked that if Cactus Petes doesn't have a concert for that day they should try and set one up if possible.

There are usually fifty to seventy vehicles that participate in the racing. Monica Burt (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked if there will be enough room for all the spectators. Mr. Burt commented that the bleachers will be moved, and they will be a ways away from the racing area. His contact sent him a map of how they want to do things, but there are some things that he will be changing, so there will be enough room. Mrs. Burt asked if it would ruin the ground. Mr. Burt stated that all there is sage brush.

Chairperson Hugill commented that this will be a remembrance for Genie Seal.

- b. Discussion and consideration review, advertise, or make a recommendation to fill the vacant position(s) on the Town of Jackpot Advisory Board.

ACTION ITEM

Chairperson Teresa Hugill stated that there are two applicants, and she would like for both of them to introduce themselves.

Brad Hester stated that he's been in Jackpot since August 1989. He worked for the sheriff's office for twenty-five years, was the judge for six years, and he's been on the board before for fourteen years prior. He resigned solely because he was elected judge and didn't want any conflicts. He's involved in everything happening with the town already and he would like to make it official again. He would like to express his opinion, plus he's pro Jackpot and supports it.

Chairperson Hugill commented that Mr. Hester has seen the growth in the town and asks if he would like to be a part of that or if he's excited about it.

Mr. Hester stated that he will believe things when they are in operation just like Dotty's and now Loves.

Chairperson Hugill mentioned that one thing the town is working on is getting housing. Mr. Hester commented that the town does need housing and that there is an apartment building (Mountain View) that is vacant because it has damage inside of it and it's too expensive to fix, but they should fix it because it's too expensive to leave empty. If this building is fixed there will be four apartments available and an income. Chairperson Hugill stated that these are the kind of things they will expect from Mr. Hester.

Monique Gollihar stated that she's lived in Jackpot for almost seven years, and they had moved away and returned. She works at Barton's as the vault supervisor, and she also works in the HR office. She commented that her husband also works at Bartons, and they have two children one is sixteen and other one is eighteen. Mrs. Gollihar stated that they love Jackpot, and she wants good things to happen for the town, neighbors, coworkers, and employees.

She commented that things lately have been weird and scary with housing and everything happening in the town. She doesn't know anything about the advisory board, but she loves the town and wants it to be better and for it to grow. She would love for her grandchildren to be able to visit the town because she and her husband plan to retire in the town. Chairperson Hugill asked if Mrs. Gollihar was excited about everything that is happening in the town.

Mrs. Gollihar stated that she thinks Loves will be great and she hopes good people will move into the town which means housing is needed especially affordable housing.

Motion: Bruce Ririe made a motion to recommend Brad Hester to fill the first position seconded by Monica Burt. Motion passed.

VOTE:

Aye: Bruce Ririe
Teresa Hugill
Monica Burt

Nay:

Absent:

Abstain

Motion: Bruce Ririe made a motion to recommend Monique Gollihar to fill the second position seconded by Monica Burt. Motion passed.

VOTE: Aye: Bruce Ririe
 Teresa Hugill
 Monica Burt

 Nay:
 Absent:
 Abstain

Chairperson Hugill mentioned that these recommendations would be on the county commissioner’s agenda, and they would have the final say. This item will be included on their next agenda.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT AND OTHER ITEMS OF DISCUSSION:

1. Discussion and consideration of received correspondence.

CONSENT AGENDA

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 – January 12, 2023
Next Meeting Date – February 9, 2023

Motion: Monica Burt made a motion to accept the minutes for the Jackpot Advisory Board Meeting for the date of January 12, 2023, and the next meeting date for the Jackpot Advisory Board Meeting for the date of February 9, 2023, seconded by Bruce Ririe. Motion passed.

VOTE: Aye: Bruce Ririe
 Teresa Hugill
 Monica Burt

 Nay:
 Absent:
 Abstain

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF COMMENTS

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.

Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) stated that he had a staff meeting the previous day and he handed his staff the budget packets. These all need to be submitted and turned in before the first of March. Susan Paprocki (Elko County Comptroller) would like to do a budget presentation on the twentieth of March. He would like for any requests to be submitted to him or his staff so they can be included in the budget. He mentioned that with things happening in the town the budgets are going to look well this year. He commented that some of the requests won't be budgeted or done this year, but what he's requested from his staff is a five year projection on projects and things they would like to see. He would like to see all types of requests regardless of dollar amounts. This includes the staff, general public, and anybody who would like to see something in the town.

He would like a five year projection so that Elko County can see what the residents are asking for. He would like to have everything put together by the end of February so that he can send it to Elko. There are also many grants available and trainings that should be considered in order to have the town match and be able to go for the bigger projects.

Monica Burt (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked if there were any updates regarding housing. Mr. Burt stated that he, Betty Marquez (Jackpot Admin), and Chairperson Teresa Hugill would be traveling to Reno for a state training session through Affordable Housing Rural Development. There will be some grant people and people that have the funding available. This will be training on how to approach the state to be able to get funding for housing in the town.

He mentioned that as of now there aren't any contractors who have showed interest in the town property. Mrs. Burt asked if there are any updates on variances or exceptions for contractors from Idaho. Mr. Burt stated that this is nothing yet and this is something that the governor would have to pass. The governor hasn't put out this year's budgets, Sisolak had to draft his closing budgets and Joe Lombardo will review those and make changes in order to have his final budgets. There may be some funds coming in. There are people like Sheldon Mudd (NRDA) and high ranking officials pushing the red zone project which if passed communities like Jackpot may see some funding to help. Chairperson Hugill commented that at the training they will be attending they hope to make many connections.

Brian Hugill (Jackpot Fire Chief) stated that the fire department will be able to recover about thirty-two thousand dollars of the budget because Elko County has decided that since they took over the dispatch center the town won't have to continue paying the dispatch fees after July first. Those funds can be used for something else.

He commented that the previous year he and Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Helping Hands) were awarded a mental health grant. He would like to visit with her because there is a person in the town who suffers from a mental illness, and they are becoming a burden on the town because he can't receive any treatment. The fire department has been dealing with him for the twentieth or thirtieth time in the past two months. This person suffers from multiple personality disorder and his temper can escalate quickly. He is a threat to law enforcement. He is on medication, but the problem is that he doesn't get the mental treatment he needs. He is a threat to himself and the society. Mr. Hugill hopes that with the funds from the grant they will be able to help this man. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that she would like to meet with Mr. Hugill, and they can figure out the best way to help this gentleman.

Chairperson Hugill asked about the rescue vehicle. Mr. Hugill stated that it's doing great and that it should be done soon. She also asked about the ambulance.

Shelly Hester (Jackpot Ambulance) stated that Chris McHan (Elko County Ambulance Director) will be checking in on it tomorrow. He has asked her to wait a few days and he'll check on it again. All the ambulances have a tracker device so when they are disconnected from electricity or started, she receives an email. She can tell that it has been moved and the keys have been in it on and off. Chairperson Hugill commented that it has been over six months.

Chairperson Hugill commented that it was brought to her attention that there are three streetlights towards Dotty's not operating, two are not working and the third is on the ground.

She commented that somebody missed the entrance, and they flipped around and were almost in an accident.

Mr. Burt stated that there is nothing he can do about it. Chairperson Hugill commented that it needs to be fixed and she would like contact information. Mr. Burt mentioned that he isn't sure if the problem would need to be dealt with by Dotty's or the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT). He's currently waiting on NDOT, but he stated that he would get Chairperson Hugill contact information to find out who is responsible for the lights.

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Brad Hester (Jackpot resident) stated that he is teaching Hunter Ed on February 26, 2023, at the public works shop (1594 Pond Drive) at 8am. This is his thirty-fourth year and signups are online. The signup is a pain since NDOW changed its website, so for those who are having issues feel free to contact him for help. He has books for those who don't want to do the online class and this part of the course needs to be done by the time he does his course. He's advertising on Facebook and by word of mouth.

Julie Carter (Jackpot resident) stated that she's lived in the town for about sixteen years and she used to manage Blue Sky. She would like to start a coffee shop business and needs to know the procedures that she needs to go through. She has somebody who will finance her, but she wants to make sure that she does everything right. She would like it in a certain spot where she isn't stepping on anybody's toes. She wants to be in the right location in order for people to drive off highway 93 and back on it. She would like to place it on a particular corner. Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) stated that Family Dollar has purchased that area and will be building there.

She mentioned that she was also thinking if the laundromat opens to the public, she could put her coffee shop there. She commented that somebody told her that it was supposed to be a smoking lounge. Mr. Burt stated that it was illegal at that time. Chairperson Hugill mentioned that it isn't illegal anymore.

Mrs. Carter commented that she would like to know where a concealed carry license class is available. Mr. Hester stated that the Elko County Sheriff's website should have information on that, and Sportsman's Warehouse usually offers that course that is valid in other states. Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Helping Hands) stated that Ms. Carter should visit her the following week and she would help her look for a nearby class.

Mr. Burt commented that he would be leaving for a training on Monday and would return on Thursday and he could meet with her than to go over what she needs to start her business. He mentioned that his office and all administration work is handled in this building. Ms. Carter stated that this is her plan after surviving cancer, she thought of leaving but God wanted her here and she made her plan, plus who knows she may become mayor someday.

ADJOURN

Motion: Monica Burt made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bruce Ririe passed.

VOTE:
Aye: Bruce Ririe
Teresa Hugill
Monica Burt
Nay:
Absent:
Abstain:

Chairperson Teresa Hugill thanked everybody and expressed her appreciation for everybody in attendance.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.