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**JACKPOT ADVISORY BOARD  
MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, April 14, 2022**

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**6:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting of the Jackpot Advisory Board was called to order by Chairperson Teresa Hugill at 6:00 pm mountain standard time on April 14, 2022, in meeting room of the Jackpot Senior Center Building, Jackpot, Nevada.

**ROLL CALL:**

Members Present: Teresa Hugill  
Shawn Mathis  
Bruce Ririe  
Alex Torrero  
Monica Burt

Absent:

Others Present: Shawn Burt, Jackpot Public Works Superintendent  
Gustavo Estrada, Jackpot Public Works  
Brian Hugill, Jackpot Fire Department  
Shelly Hester, Jackpot Ambulance  
Brad Hester, Jackpot Fireworks  
Larry Lineberry, Jackpot Jam  
Hayden Horn, M.M.A.S.V. Racing  
Kristi Wells, Jackpot Fire Department  
Theresa Dimmitt, Jackpot's Helping Hands & Services  
Bill Dimmitt, Jackpot Senior Center  
Mike Christensen, Raft River Electric  
Corey Rice, County Surveyor / Senior Planner

**INSTRUCTIONS TO THE GALLERY:**

Chairperson Theresa Hugill 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.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Chairperson Teresa Hugill 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.

Brad Hester (Jackpot Fireworks) stated that the Fourth of July fireworks have been ordered. He emailed the contract to Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) yesterday. The total shells this year is just over three thousand.

Mr. Hester stated that this year there will be something he has never seen before, a 600 box case. He said he has had the 200 box case in the past and he is looking forward to seeing this one. Chairperson Teresa Hugill, asked if they were all set with licensing and all that stuff? He answered, yes, everything has been sent off to the state. He mentioned that Susie, his contact person who has helped him throughout the years will be retiring this year.

Hayden Horne (M.M.A.S.V. Street Races) stated that he owns a mobile racetrack, he is scheduled to do three races over the summer, he is asking to schedule more races on the approved section of road. (the end of Ace Drive, from the Golf Course entrance to the electric gates). He is donating a portion of the proceeds to Jackpot Helping Hands. Chairperson Hugill asked, didn't they do it on the airport last time? Hayden answered yes, they did however, this year due to issues with the BLM Shawn Burt said they couldn't this year.

Mr. Horne handed out his company's Mission Statement (see attached mission statement) Mrs. Hugill commented that she has heard that Mr. Horne has done good by the town and Helping Hands. If that section of road works for him then she is fine with the races. Vice-Chair Shawn Mathis asked if one car or two cars will be racing at a time? Mr. Horne answered, two cars will be racing at a time. Mr. Mathis stated that road is narrow and questioned if it would be safe for 2 cars to race at a time. Mr. Horne said they measured the road it is 30' wide and there will be at least 4' between the cars. Mr. Mathis stated that he is fine with the races.

He asked if this is something anyone could sign up to do? Mr. Horne answered yes, it is. You can bring your Subaru or the family's minivan. Mr. Horne said that his group is really good about explaining what to expect, doing a ride along, and letting those interested ride in their car.

Mr. Horne stated that he has over one thousand members in his group, and Magic Valley MOPAR has another six hundred. They do anti bully runs and cancer runs.

Mr. Horne mentioned that he has three races scheduled this summer, he is here to ask for permission to use and add smaller races with just his group.

## **TOWN OF JACKPOT**

### **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

- a. Raft River Electric Company update of the electrical service provided to the town of Jackpot.

Mike Christensen (Raft River Rural Electric) stated that there was a pretty big outage in the town on March 15<sup>th</sup>, for about five hours. It was at the Idaho Power substation something got in one of their reclosers so as of now there are two feeds tied together that are feeding Jackpot. This is on their side; they have ordered a new one. Mr. Christensen mentioned that his concern is when there are power outages on the Idaho power side and then when it comes back on the load is so large that it blows an underground fuse on the Raft River side, which then adds two and a half to three hours to the outage because the fuse needs to be replaced.

He commented that they are looking at some stuff and when Idaho Power gets their new recloser in it should be an updated one. This will allow them to coordinate with Idaho Power, so they don't have that issue. If that doesn't work, then they will look at other options to resolve the issue. Mr. Christensen said this is a big thing and they are working on it.

He mentioned that at the last meeting Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) talked about doing another cleanup day. He commented that Raft River has helped with this in the past and would like to do again. They are scheduled to do a safety meeting (includes the linemen and electricians) in the town on May 24<sup>th</sup> and he would like to know if that would work to do the cleanup day on that Tuesday? Mr. Christensen added that if that day didn't work that they could move their safety meeting to work with the town. Chairperson Teresa Hugill asked if they could do Wednesday the 25<sup>th</sup>, then the fire department could help out. Mr. Christensen said he believed Wednesday wouldn't be an issue. Vice-Chair Shawn Mathis commented that they could do the cleanup time to coordinate when the kids are walking home from school. Mr. Christensen said he would check to make sure that the 25<sup>th</sup> will work and will coordinate with Mr. Burt on the date and times.

Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Helping Hands) commented that Kaylee Shields (Economic and Tourism Director) was planning on scheduling Founders Day along with the cleanup day. Mr. Burt stated that they would also involve her, and Chairperson Hugill commented that she would also involve Tara Norris (Jackpot Event Coordinator).

Mr. Christensen shared that the board of directors that attended the last meeting both were re-elected. He also shared that he brought extra door prizes if anyone would like some.

Mr. Christensen mentioned that they do a ICUA youth Rally, it is for sophomores and junior high school students whose parents are members of the co-op. This is a weeklong Leadership and Scholarship program. It will be held at the College of Idaho in Caldwell. Mrs. Hugill asked if they will be learning about power? Mr. Christensen stated that they will learn how a cooperative works. They elect each other for mock rolls, and they learn about the power and energy industry. He has flyers and has also given some to the town clerk.

- b. Nevada Health Center update.

Kerrie Preston (Jackpot Clinic Practice Manager) absent no report given

- c. Discussion and consideration to approve the application below:  
**ACTION ITEM**

**APPLICATION:** An application requesting a street / roadway or other right of way vacation submitted by Love's Travel Stops & Country Stores, Inc. for the vacation of a thirty-three foot

(33') easement per Book 25 at Page 337 (US Patent No. 1214028) and Book 25 at Page 338 (US Patent No. 1218760) recorded in the Office of the Elko County Recorder.

**LOCATION:** APN 009-008-005, portions of the SE ¼ NE ¼ NW ¼ NW ¼ & the SW ¼ NW ¼ NE ¼ NW ¼ & the SW ¼ NE ¼ NW ¼ NW ¼ of Section 12, T. 47 N., R. 64 E., M.D.B.& M., as described in Book 25 at Page 337 (US Patent No. 1214028) and Book 25 at Page 338 (US Patent No. 1218760) recorded in the office of the Elko County Recorder, Elko County.

Corey Rice (Elko County Surveyor, County Planner) stated, they are trying to abandon these easements they can't build over them. Mr. Rice explained the way these easements came into place is the BLM issued the original pattens for them they put in these 33' access easements that go around all these small aliquant parts. They are only wanting to abandon the easements on the parcel itself, they are not being used for roads at this time. Mr. Rice stated that the staff recommends removing these easements with some recommendations for conditions in his staff's report. Mr. Rice asked if the Advisory Board would like him to read the staff's report? Chairperson Teresa Hugill replied yes, Mr. Rice read the staff's report.

Staff recommendations, findings, and conditions: based upon the above stated analysis and findings, staff recommends approval with the following conditions and restrictions:

- A. Recommends abandonment of thirty-three foot (33ft) easements created by book 25 page 337 (US Patent NO. 1214028) and book 25 at page 338 (US Patent No. 1218760) recorded in the office of the Elko County Recorder, Elko County.
- B. Title to the street or easement will revert to APN 009-008-005, Currently owned by BPC properties, LLC.
- C. Within six (6) months of approval by the Elko County Board of Commissioners, the applicant shall have a land survey conducted, including the preparation of a Record of survey and Legal Descriptions prepared by a professional Land Surveyor licensed in the state of Nevada at the applicant's expense. Said Record of Survey and Legal Descriptions are to be delivered to the Elko County Planning & Zoning Division for review and presentation to the Elko county District Attorney for final deed draft.
- D. Applicant shall comply with all provisions of NRS 278.480 and any other applicable state statues and local ordinances inclusive in reference to the abandonment of a public right of way.
- E. Elko County Reserves an easement for access and maintenance of any and all public utilities should they exist within this abandoned right of way.
- F. A new ten foot (10ft.) wide easement (5' feet each side of centerline) be created and recorded for the existing waterline bisecting the property. If this waterline is abandoned and relocated this easement will not be required.

That concludes staff's recommendations. The staff recommends that the advisory board recommend approval. Chairperson. Hugill asked Mr. Burt if this will affect anything over there? Mr. Burt responded no. Chairperson Hugill asked a follow-up question to Mr. Rice these are just easements they put in to be able to get to properties? Mr. Rice answered no, they were put in by the BLM when they patent more land back in the 20's or 30's they put these thirty-three foot (33ft) access easements around the boundaries, when they started passing parcels to private hands, they realized there would be a lot of land locked parcels that didn't have legal access to them this eliminated that problem.

**Motion: Monica Burt made a motion to approve the abandonment of the easement as listed above, seconded by Alex Torrero. Motion passed.**

**VOTE:**           **Aye: Alex Torrero**  
                      **Shawn Mathis**  
                      **Bruce Ririe**  
                      **Monica Burt**  
                      **Teresa Hugill**

**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Abstain:**

Chairperson Hugill asked Mr. Rice about the letter that was sent out to the Covered Wagon property owners. The floors are falling through and there have been children playing in that area. She would like for those properties to be zoned off. Mr. Rice stated that it was originally stated in his letter for those areas to be fenced, hauled off, or demolished. It was all placed on hold when Loves was interested in a property, but it didn't work out. He would like Chairperson Hugill to email him the following morning to remind him about getting more letters sent out.

- d. Discussion and consideration to approve the flyer for Jackpot's Helping Hands fundraiser.  
**ACTION-ITEM**

Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Helping Hands and Family Services) stated that the board had the redo from the last month's flyer which it now includes the application for the vendors on the backside. She's noticed a couple of typos and will have those corrected, but for the most part that's how the flyer will look. Once the flyer is approved, she will meet with Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) to create a contract for the vendors to ensure that what they do in the building is approved. She mentioned that twenty-seven booths can fit at the recreation center assuming that the fire marshal looks at it. She has a floor plan.

Vice-Chairman Shawn Mathis commented that a selling point on the application is having electricity. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that the vendors will pay for that so that the town doesn't have to pay for the extra electricity used.

Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) asked why the due date is so far out from the event. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that she needs to see who is interested in attending, getting their applications in, their payments, and if they don't do those steps then she sells the space to other vendors. She's already got a vendor interested who does spiral saw clocks, they are beautiful.

Chairperson Hugill asked if the booth prices would increase five dollars up to the date of the event. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that she hadn't thought that far in advance and that this the first time this event is being held and she hopes that it's successful. The following year the vendors will be able to renew. There is a lot of interest from vendors in the town wanting to sell.

**Motion: Shawn Mathis made a motion to approve the flyer for Helping Hands, seconded by Monica Burt. Motion passed.**

**VOTE:**           **Aye: Alex Torrero**  
                      **Shawn Mathis**  
                      **Bruce Ririe**  
                      **Monica Burt**  
                      **Teresa Hugill**

**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Abstain:**

- e. Discussion and consideration to approve the purchase of a flag retirement drop box.  
**ACTION ITEM**

Jyllian Burt (Jackpot resident) stated that the town doesn't have a flag retirement system in place. This includes an annual ceremony to burn American flags, a drop box will be needed. She found a couple boxes online which include different styles, some are blank boxes that will need to have instructions put on them along with being decorated and painted. There is also an option that is completely painted, decorated, and has instructions. This drop box could be placed outside the post office. She mentioned that there have been flags in the trash, which isn't okay.

Chairperson Teresa Hugill commented that this drop box would be for anybody who needs to dispose of an American flag, so it can be done the proper way. She mentioned that the town has one at the golf course that needs to be replaced. Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) stated that it has been replaced. He mentioned that there are two flags that need to be disposed of.

Ms. Burt stated that the post office gets a new flag every three or four months. They used to send the old flags to Jarbidge, but she doesn't know if they are still doing the ceremonies. Vice-Chairman Shawn Mathis commented that the drop box holds up to fifty flags, so where would the flags be stored. Ms. Burt stated that they can be stored at the post office and Mr. Burt commented that there could be more than one ceremony per year. Chairperson Hugill mentioned that the Fire Department has a stack of them too and she would like to know where the drop box would be placed and who would be in charge of it. Ms. Burt stated that if it's outside the post office they will monitor it, but it can also be placed at the fire department, and they would be the ones to monitor it.

Vice-Chair Mathis stated that he thinks it would be a better idea to have it at the Fire Department because there is somebody there all the time. He's afraid that if it's placed at the post office things other than flags will be placed in the drop box.

Chairperson Hugill stated that she liked the box that has the flag wrapped around and Vice-Chair Mathis agreed. Ms. Burt mentioned that on the website there are also other design options. Chairperson Hugill and Vice-Chair Mathis both agreed that this is a good idea.

Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Helping Hands) asked if the public would be allowed to witness the ceremonies because there is nothing more spectacular than the retiring of a flag ceremony.

Ms. Burt mentioned that there are different ways to do the ceremony. This would be a public thing and it's also involved. Chairperson Hugill commented that it would be great for the children to see. Ms. Burt mentioned that it would also be great in case there are Boy Scouts in the future. Mr. Burt asked the about the different prices for each box. Ms. Burt stated that that the drop box with the flag wrapped around is \$1695.00, the green blank one \$484.00, and the grey one \$938.00. The blank ones are cheaper because they need to be decorated and have instructions included on them.

Vice-Chair Mathis mentioned that he didn't care about the price for something like this, but he would like the design which has the flag wrapped around and the other board members agreed. Chairperson Hugill mentioned that Ms. Burt should inform Brian Hugill (Jackpot Fire Chief) that the drop box will be placed at the fire station.

Monica Burt (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked if the installation needed to be done professionally or can it just be done. Vice-Chair Mathis stated that it looks like it just needs to be anchor bolted to concrete.

Chairperson Hugill commented that it would be neat to do it on the Fourth of July. Ms. Burt mentioned that it can also be done on Memorial Day and Flag Day. Mrs. Burt commented that it could also be done on Veterans Day.

Vice-Chair Mathis stated that he liked the drop box with the flag wrapped around compared to the other two options because the first option has everything on it. He likes the original design.

**Motion: Monica Burt made a motion to approve the drop box with the flag wrapped around it, seconded by Alex Torrero. Motion passed.**

**VOTE:**

**Aye: Alex Torrero  
Shawn Mathis  
Bruce Ririe  
Monica Burt  
Teresa Hugill**

**Nay:**

**Absent:**

**Abstain:**

- f. Discussion and consideration to approve the purchase of a shed.

**ACTION ITEM**

Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Helping Hands) stated that more storage is needed. The other day she had had to climb over many items to reset the circuit breaker. The shed would be 10X12 and it would house the walkers, wheelchairs, canes, and extra elderly depends. The clothes donations that Helping Hands is receiving will also be stored in the shed.

Once the weather starts getting warmer instead of a garage sale the senior center will have the clothes and items displayed outside for people to pick things out. Mrs. Dimmitt mentioned that Bill Dimmitt (Senior Center) will be introducing the two new ladies who will be helping him. They are full of energy and excitement. They have ideas to get more people in the senior center, so once that starts more space will be needed for activities. She mentioned that in the meantime they are wanting to add shelves in the back room until more space is developed. She commented that the two new volunteers cleaned and organized both rooms.

Chairperson Teresa Hugill commented that Mrs. Dimmitt didn't have the funds for the shed, and this would be the reason for fundraisers. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that the senior center funds can't be used because it doesn't directly benefit the seniors. Helping Hands can pay for part of the shed but not now. It would probably be in a year.

Mrs. Dimmitt mentioned that Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) said that this would be under buildings and grounds since the senior center is under the town. He stated that with Helping Hands not being part of the town, but the senior center is things get complicated.

Brian Hugill (Jackpot Fire Chief) stated that he would give his Conex box which has shelves and can be used to store items. Vice-Chair Shawn Mathis stated that it's metal so nobody would break into it.

**Motion: Shawn Mathis made a motion to not accept the purchase of the shed since a Conex has been found, seconded by Bruce Ririe. Motion passed.**

**VOTE:**

**Aye: Alex Torrero  
Shawn Mathis  
Bruce Ririe  
Monica Burt  
Teresa Hugill**

**Nay:  
Absent:  
Abstain:**

- g. Discussion and consideration to approve having the "Jackpot Jam" on the Fourth of July and a budget of \$3,000.00 dollars.

**ACTION-ITEM**

Larry Lineberry (Jackpot Jam) stated that he's talked with Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent), Brian Hugill (Jackpot Fire Chief), and Tara Norris (Events). While it may not happen every year, this year seems like a really good year to do the Jackpot Jam on the Fourth of July. He will coordinate with the picnic and parade. The music would start when the picnic does, and it would continue throughout the night. There will be a special play list for the firework show.

There will be four bands, two Latin bands and two variety classic rock and country bands. This is subject to change because bands schedules change, and he hasn't gotten any confirmations. The budget of three thousand dollars will cover everything that is needed.

Vice-Chair Shawn Mathis mentioned that he would like to have the Jackpot Jam be done closer to the Fourth of July from now on. Mr. Lineberry stated that if it were to fall on a weekend it wouldn't be a good idea because there are other things going on, plus there are no room on the weekends.

**Motion: Alex Torrero made a motion to approve having the “Jackpot Jam” on the Fourth of July and the budget of three thousand dollars, seconded by Monica Burt. Motion passed.**

**VOTE:**           **Aye: Alex Torrero**  
                      **Shawn Mathis**  
                      **Bruce Ririe**  
                      **Monica Burt**  
                      **Teresa Hugill**

**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Abstain:**

Chairperson Hugill commented that Ms. Norris would help with anything he needs. Mr. Lineberry mentioned that a flag ceremony could be included after the last band and prior to the fireworks.

**JACKPOT GOLF COURSE**  
**NON-ACTION ITEM**

1. Golf Course operations update.

Brent Fleshman (Jackpot Golf Course) was absent, but he sent in an email:

The golf course was able to open on March 18<sup>th</sup>. Obviously, the weather has been suspect but with the limited days we've been open, play has been solid. The course came out in excellent shape with the sustained snow coverage that we were able to keep. It likes a warming blanket for the grass. Snow mold and ice damage, along with our winter fungicides, helped bring the course out of winter with very little issues. We started up the irrigation system which immediately shows us where the leaks and breaks are from its winter bedtime and have been able to isolate and repair. So far nothing major other than the normal random cracks. Like everyone, finding part time seasonal work is our current hurdle, however the main department heads along with several others have returned or committed to return. Our first tournaments will begin the first week of May and we are looking forward to a better year continuing forward.

Thank you.

Golfingly,

Brent Fleshman

**JACKPOT TOURISM**  
**NON-ACTION ITEM**

1. Tourism's operations update.

Kaylee Shields (Tourism and Economic Director) was absent, no report given.

2. Social Media Manager update.

Mackenna Ririe (Social Media Manager) was absent, no report given.

## **JACKPOT'S HELPING HANDS FOOD BANK & SERVICES**

1. Jackpot's Helping Hands Food Bank and Services update.  
**NON-ACTION ITEM**

Theresa Dimmitt (CEO Jackpot's Helping Hands /Food Pantry & Senior Services) stated that the food pantry is going strong. There are new volunteers, Bonnie Yoman has been helping on a consistent basis and another woman named Lori from Hollister who attends church in Jackpot has also been helping. They are great help at the food pantry, keeping it organized and on top of stuff. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that Jackpot Helping Hands is helping people who are in need because they are stranded in Jackpot, for example last week there was a couple that was stranded here, She got them a room at the Four Jacks Hotel and gave them a food voucher for a meal. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that the Four Jacks is easy to work with and very helpful for these emergencies. She also stated that some Jackpot community members involved in the accident just North of the town on Highway 93. Jackpot Helping Hands, the community, and Town Leaders are working together to get them the help they need. Tara Norris (Event Coordinator) went shopping for Easter Baskets for one family and food was taken to them. Mrs. Dimmitt mentioned that working with the community and town leaders to identify those that need help and coming together to help has been amazing. In closing Mrs. Dimmitt mentioned that working with the Town Leaders, the fire department, and the community coming together to help those that truly need it has been wonderful. Chairperson Hugill asked if the car seat has been purchased for a community member? Mrs. Dimmitt replied that it hasn't been purchased yet but will be soon.

## **JACKPOT SENIOR CENTER**

2. Senior Center operations update.

Bill Dimmitt (Jackpot Senior Center) stated that they have new volunteers at the senior center. Mr. Dimmitt the new volunteers are doing a stellar job. He invited them up to introduce themselves. Shirley Ann McCreary, AKA Sam, introduced herself as the new Activities Director, Terri Navarro introduced herself as a volunteer. Mr. Dimmitt also shared that Patty Young while not present is also a new volunteer. He said that all three ladies are doing a great job, organizing activities.

Mr. Dimmitt shared that they are doing activities, last Friday they did a movie and dinner. He said that the new volunteers are coming up with new ideas for activities to get more participants to the senior center.

## **JACKPOT EVENTS**

3. Event operations update.

Tara Norris (Jackpot Events Coordinator) stated that not a lot of things are going on, if anyone has any questions.

Mrs. Hugill let Ms. Norris know that there will be things coming up, such as Jackpot Pride, and she would like to have Ms. Norris connect with Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) and Raft River regarding this event. Chairperson Hugill also mentioned that Hayden Horn will be doing racing events over the next several months and would appreciate her helping him out as needed. Chairperson Hugill asked Ms. Norris if she will be here for the Easter event, Ms. Norris answered no that she couldn't get the day off work. Chairperson Hugill thanked Ms. Norris for shopping for the Easter basket items for a local family. Ms. Norris said that once she knows when the family will be back in Jackpot, she will let Theresa Dimmitt know so the Easter items can be delivered.

## **JACKPOT RECREATION CENTER**

- A. Recreation Department operations update.  
**NON-ACTION ITEM**

Beth Lamb (Jackpot Aquatic Center) was absent Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) relayed the information. The Recreation Center is currently short staffed. Things are going well; she has 2 birthday parties coming up and one baby shower.

## **JACKPOT PUBLIC WORKS**

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

Gustavo Estrada (Jackpot Public Works) stated that they have completed the lighting project on Poker Street. They trenched it all and tied it in, Raft River brought the power and poles. It was an easy job. The sewer building has a generator, so there is backup power for that. They received new batteries for the streetlights by Cactus Petes so when the power goes out it will still have lights there.

He mentioned that he will be getting the parks going in the next week or two irrigating the lawns and the golf course flag has been replaced. They also monitor the wells, get samples, and have switched their well house to the season well house that pumps more water.

Bruce Ririe (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked if Mr. Estrada could make a list of all the things that Public Works does. He knows it will be a long list, as they do a lot. Mr. Ririe thought that it would be helpful to see all the things they do in Public Works. Mr. Estrada agreed that he would put the list together.

## **JACKPOT SAFETY / FIRE**

- 1. **Jackpot Ambulance**
  - a. Jackpot Ambulance operations update. Was out on a call no report given.

Shelly Hester (Jackpot ambulance)

## **2. Jackpot Fire Department**

- a. Jackpot Fire Department operations update.

Brian Hugill (Jackpot Fire Department) was on a call. Kristi Wells gave the report for the Fire Department, she stated that they had forty-one calls since the first part of March. One was a car fire, four hazardous materials, five service calls, three false alarms, the rest were medical calls.

### **Elko County Sheriff's Department**

a. Sheriff Office operations update.  
No Report given.

### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

1. Discussion and consideration of the Town of Jackpot Accounts Payable.

No Discussion.

### **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 – March 10, 2022

Next Meeting Date – May 12, 2022

**Motion: Bruce Ririe made a motion to accept the minutes for the Jackpot Advisory Board Meeting for the date of March 10, 2022, and the next meeting date for the Jackpot Advisory Board Meeting for the date of May 12, 2022, seconded by Shawn Mathis. Motion passed.**

### **VOTE:**

Aye: Alex Torrero  
Shawn Mathis  
Bruce Ririe  
Teresa Hugill  
Monica Burt

Nay:  
Absent:  
Abstain

### **ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF COMMENTS**

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Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) stated that next week on April 21<sup>st</sup> Abigail, Amanda, Jacey, and Susan will be coming into town to discuss putting funds together for Helping Hands to help people who are stranded here, as we talked about last month.

Abigail Wheeler from Elko Department of Transportation has a grant that he would like Theresa Dimmitt, Monica, and Teresa Hugill in on this meeting. Mrs. Burt asked, Mr. Burt what time this meeting will be on Thursday. Mr. Burt said he wouldn't know until that day; he will message all those scheduled to attend an update as soon as they have left Elko. Mr. Burt said that he has submitted all the preliminary budgets and they will be going over all of them at this meeting.

Bruce Ririe (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked if everyone has looked up the Jackpot Solar and if somebody should do a report at the meetings? This doesn't have anything to do with Jackpot, Jackpot Holdings is the name of the company who has the land. Chief Hugill stated that he was invited down by Salmon Track Fire, once it is all hooked up, because if there is a fire at the Solar Plant his team will be the first to respond. Chief Hugill said once everything is hooked up and he has his training, then he will update the Advisory Board. Chief Hugill asked if there was anything the board wanted to know? Mr. Ririe replied that it is a pretty big project, and he has had a lot of people asking him what it is. Mr. Hugill mentioned that there is also supposed to be windmills going in somewhere down there. Mr. Ririe also mentioned that it is nice to see the sagebrush taken down, and that there isn't a lot you can do with the desert it is nice to see it being used for something like this.

Vice-chair Shawn Mathis stated that he really likes all the lights that the guys put up around town. He said that the Town is beginning to look like a city with all the lights around, instead of just the one light. Vice-Chair Mathis mentioned the town looks a lot better over the last few years and he wanted to say thank you to all those who are involved in the improvements.

#### **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.

Sheldon Mudd (Northeastern Nevada Regional Authority) stated that for those that don't know him, he is the director of NNRDA and he's responsible for the economic development in the area. Mr. Mudd claimed he isn't doing the best job of it. Mr. Mudd continued that the same problems Jackpot is facing are the same problems all over the country. He stated that he is really trying to find ways to get more housing in Jackpot. He commented that he just did a housing evaluation that he sent up to the state. He used to work for Governor Sandoval, and he has a lot of contacts there and he has been really "fussy and fighting and bending ears" trying to figure out ways to make things happen in these small towns, especially the border towns, Jackpot, Ely, and West Windover.

Jackpot is always at the top of the list, and he lets them know that there are tremendous struggles in the town. Mr. Mudd stated that change or bending of the rules need to happen if these are going to change. He has made it clear to the state that if they don't make some changes then they might as well get use to the way things are, because things won't change if we don't change the way we do things. Mr. Mudd said that he has been talking to some developers down in Vegas about the potential for some tiny home developments.

Mr. Mudd stated he had a conversation with Corey Rice and his crew, Mr. Burt, and Mr. Mathis that if these guys decide to come to this area, there will need to be something in place for them to do so. Mr. Mudd commented that he also has friends in Idaho who would be interested in building in Jackpot, however they do not want to get a Nevada Contractor license. Mr. Mudd has really been advocating for reciprocating licensures so they can allow Idaho builders to come into Nevada especially the border towns that have an economic stress index at a certain level or above utilizing a third party to do that, it can be done for two to three years, it doesn't have to be like that forever. Mr. Mudd assumes that the state has reviewed it, however, he has not received a response yet. If he doesn't get a positive response from the state, then Mr. Mudd will talk to Mr. Rice about possible options locally.

He commented that as far as business and diversification it's a competition on a national level, large projects that require five-hundred people can't be procured and having to look for the smaller stuff and sometimes it is harder to find. Mr. Mudd commented there is more interest in North-Eastern Nevada than ever. He said there is 800% increase in interest in North-Eastern Nevada the highest it has been in the last 4 years. Mr. Mudd is continuing to build contacts with companies that may want to move to Nevada, he has been working with Southern Idaho just in case they are tired of paying the Idaho income tax they can move their business to Nevada. He stated that the next couple of years will be hard as many of the companies are not ready to move until inflation and fuel prices go down, they aren't interested in doing anything.

Matthew Merryman (Jackpot Town member) asked if there has been any study to show what the local populous would support? Mr. Mudd answered yes, a comprehensive Economic Development Strategy was done. This report is created by getting together with the locals and getting their input. Mr. Mudd mentioned that if the town looks for grants and are asked if there is a Strategic plan in place the answer is yes. It can be found at [www.NNRDA.com](http://www.NNRDA.com) under documents.

Chairperson Hugill asked if Mr. Mudd had any more information on I11? Mr. Mudd replied that no. This is a very political topic, due to the pandemic these conversations have stopped, but he's asked to be part of the conversation when it starts again. The biggest advocate was Professor Robert Lane from UNR, but he's passed away. Cory Rice (County Surveyor / Senior Planner) asked if there is something his department can do to change help with the contractors licensing? Mr. Mudd said that that is what he is wanting to do. Chairperson Hugill commented that if there is anything the town can do to move things along let her know.

## **ADJOURN**

**Motion: Monica Burt made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alex Torrero.**  
Motion passed.

**VOTE:**                   Aye:   Shawn Mathis  
                                  Bruce Ririe  
                                  Alex Torrero  
                                  Teresa Hugill  
                                  Monica Burt

Nay:

Absent:

Abstain:

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.