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JACKPOT ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

THURSDAY, June 10, 2021

6:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Jackpot Advisory Board was called to order by Chairwoman Teresa Hugill at 6:00 pm mountain standard time on June 10, 2021, in meeting room of the Jackpot Senior Center Building, Jackpot, Nevada.

ROLL CALL:

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

Absent:

Others Present: Shawn Burt, Jackpot Public Works Superintendent
Beth Lamb, Jackpot Recreation Center
Brian Hugill, Jackpot Fire
Theresa Dimmitt, Jackpot Food Bank
Bill Dimmitt, Senior Center Head Volunteer
Tara Norris, Jackpot Events
Heath Higley, Raft River Electric
Tim Bruebaker, Deuces Wild Car

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE GALLERY:

Chairwoman Teresa 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:

Chairwoman Hugill led the pledge of allegiance.

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC:

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No Comments.

TOWN OF JACKPOT

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

Heath Higley (Raft River Electric) stated that they have a few things that they are working on. Mike Christensen (Raft River Electric) and him met with the contractor for the dispensary to see about power for that building and the other space. The work of digging trenches and burying wires will probably be in the following weeks. They also looked at the lot where the new fire station will be located at to get ideas for the location of the power, but they don't know the power requirements yet.

He mentioned that the tree trimmers would be in the town in next three weeks. He's talked to Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) about some trees that need to be trimmed and he asked Bruce Ririe (Jackpot Advisory board member) if he knew of any to let him know.

Mr. Higley commented that they will also add a service out by the flag at the golf course to have light on the flag. He asked if there were any power bumps or issues.

Mr. Ririe stated that nothing too bad and he thanked Mr. Higley for resolving the last outage quickly.

- b. Nevada Health Center update.

No Representatives.

1. Golf Course operations update.
NON ACTION ITEM

Brent Fleshman (Jackpot Golf Club) stated that they have hosted four junior tournaments in the last thirty days. There will be a lady's event the following week, last year there were eighty and this year there are one hundred and forty participants. It will be on Thursday and Friday. There are a couple groups that cancelled that previous year and are back this weekend.

He mentioned that Cactus has put together a tournament for Father's Day weekend which is normally slow. There are about eighty people expected to attend. He stated that employees are needed because he's only got a few guys in the building and grounds crew.

Chairwoman Teresa Hugill asked about the age requirement.

Mr. Fleshman stated that to use the equipment the person needs to be sixteen or older. He would like older high school students or people that can use the mower and weed trimmer.

JACKPOT TOURISM NON ACTION ITEM

1. Tourism's operations update.

Coral Roe (Tourism President) was absent, so Theresa Dimmitt (Tourism Director) relayed the information. She stated that the tourism department worked with the Story's UP videographer and assistant who were in the town for the weekend. They got to see all the best parts of the town and she thanked Brent Fleshman (Jackpot Golf Club) for allowing them to be at the golf course on Monday morning. They also went to the shooting range and spent time at Cactus Petes. Cactus Petes allowed them to spend all day on Monday on the property.

It was a fun learning experience and she met new people to the town. It was great to show these two people from St. Louis Missouri around the town. The assistant went on a hike past the shooting range and said he loved it. She commented that the rough draft of the video will be done at the end of the following week. She will present it to the board for approval or to have changes made at the meeting in July.

The board approved an ad in the Southern Living magazine. This magazine is sent out to all the upper-scale hotels in Twin Falls and throughout Southern Idaho. It will also be included in the Twin Falls visitor center. It will be a two-page outlay ad and a photographer will be sent to the town along with a reporter to conduct interviews. The rough draft will be presented to the advisory board for approval.

The tourism board is still working with Cactus Petes and Barton's on having them sell the town's merchandise at their gift shops. The board has ideas of items that will be ordered. She mentioned that the board is also a sponsor for Deuces Wild Extravaganza which will give the town marketing.

Mrs. Dimmitt commented that tourism would also be doing an event on the Fourth of July from 8pm to 10pm. This is for locals and people outside of the community. There will be activities for the children and a dj (20/20 Sound and Vision.)

JACKPOT'S HELPING HANDS

1. Food bank update.
NON ACTION ITEM

Theresa Dimmitt (CEO Jackpot's Helping Hands /Food Pantry) stated that the food pantry has started receiving food from the Food Bank of Northern Nevada. Things are set up with a barcode which makes reports easier.

The non-profit is working on some fundraisers and the posters will be posted around town. The work that she can sit at her desk and do for free is all caught up, but funds are needed in order to do things that require monies.

She mentioned that Timmy B has allowed that the Helping Hands be the only vendor between seven to ten to sell breakfast at the car show.

Mrs. Dimmitt commented that as people are renewing and having to do another intake form, some people are opting out of the program, but there are also many new clients. There are about seventy-seven families which adds to one hundred fifty people.

JACKPOT SENIOR CENTER

2. Senior Center operations update.

Bill Dimmitt (Jackpot Senior Center) stated that there is nothing new to report. He has taken somebody to medical appointments which is something he said he would do. There are a few people visiting the senior center.

JACKPOT EVENTS

3. Event operations update.

4. Discussion and consideration to approve the Fourth of July flyer.

Tara Norris (Jackpot Events Coordinator) presented the advisory board with a flyer for the Fourth of July.

Chairwoman Teresa Hugill commented that on the flyer it states that the hotdogs are being provided by the town, but it should state that the golf course is providing them.

Chairwoman Hugill stated that Brad Hester (Jackpot Fireworks) was absent, but he wanted to make sure that the time for the fireworks is 10:20pm.

Ms. Norris stated that she is trying to get a meeting with Tom O'Conner to talk about Cactus Petes donating potato and macaroni salad. The event will be a potluck and she is also going to need grills, a minimum of two, but three would be ideal.

Gus Estrada (Jackpot Public works) commented that there is a grill at the public works building that she could use.

Brent Fleshman (Jackpot Golf Club) mentioned that he had two one grills, and that one grill fits one hundred hotdogs.

Chairwoman Hugill asked if the tourism event and the Bakesale should also be included in the flyer.

Theresa Dimmitt (CEO Jackpot's Helping Hands /Tourism Director) commented that the events are two separate things, one is a town event and other one is tourism.

Chairwoman Hugill stated that she thinks it would be beneficial to advertise everything that will be going on in the town.

Larry Lineberry (20/20 Sound and Visual) commented that he could begin playing earlier in the day.

Mrs. Dimmitt stated that she would redo the flyer and email it to the board members for approval prior to posting it.

Monica Burt (Jackpot Advisory Board member) mentioned that some people may not know what a potluck is so if it could be rephrased to, “bring a side dish to share.”

No motion was made.

JACKPOT RECREATION CENTER

A. Recreation Department operations update. NON ACTION ITEM

Beth Lamb (Jackpot Aquatic Center) stated that they are getting busy. The pool was drained on Monday, cleaned it, and refilled it. It’s now open again. She thanked the public work guys for their help and also commented that there is a new pool heater. It works great.

She mentioned that the swim lessons start on Monday along with summer food program with lunch and snacks. The facility is open until 8pm. The swim lessons begin at ten in the morning, there is another class one, and the last class is at five thirty on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Monica Burt (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked about the hours of operation for the facility.

Ms. Lamb stated that the facility is open Monday through Saturday, but Monday through Thursday it’s ten in the morning until eight in the evening, Friday’s it’s ten to one, and on Saturday it’s one to four. She mentioned that somebody asked if the facility could be open until eight on Friday and Saturday. She doesn’t know about this because she needs staff, but this person assured her that five people will be at the facility from six to eight on those days. She commented that she told them to check with her the following week to see if she had enough staff because at the moment she doesn’t.

JACKPOT PUBLIC WORKS

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

Gustavo Estrada (Jackpot Public Works) stated that they are working on the irrigation for the parks, adding more trees, spraying for weeds, and replacing some of their backflows. They needed to be updated because they failed. There were a couple leaks that needed to be fixed.

He commented that they also drained the pool, acid washed it, and refilled. They also installed the new heater for it.

Mr. Estrada mentioned that they are also going to Wells to pick-up food twice a month for the food program. He commented that they did some updates on the compactor and hopes that it will fix it.

He commented that he talked with Maribel and Katie about naming the park after Charlotte and they will start working on that.

Chairwoman Theresa Hugill stated that she's had a few people ask if a rainbow could be included. Mr. Estrada said yes.

He mentioned that they would like to start playing softball on Tuesdays at six in the afternoon for anybody interested.

JACKPOT SAFETY / FIRE

1. Jackpot Ambulance

- a. Jackpot Ambulance operations update.

Shelly Hester (Jackpot ambulance) was absent. No report given.

2. Jackpot Fire Department

- a. Jackpot Fire Department operations update.

Brian Hugill (Jackpot Fire Chief) stated that for the last month they did twenty-three calls and the last thirteen of them were in the last five days. They have been pretty busy on highway 93 with car fires and accidents.

He and Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) met with contractors regarding the new fire station. He mentioned that Randy Pingel (Jackpot Fire) has resigned due to medical reasons. It's only him now until they fill that position and the new hire position that the board approved. There are two new volunteers, and they are doing a good job.

Elko County Sheriff's Department

- a. Sheriff Office operations update.

Mike Pace (Officer) was present but left because of a case he needed to work on.

JACKPOT SUPERINTENDENT

1. Jackpot Superintendent operations update.

Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) stated that the following Wednesday the county commissioners and many county people would be at the public works building at eleven. He isn't sure about their agenda, but normally they talk and go look at the town facilities. He welcomes anybody that would like to talk to the commissioners to attend the meeting.

There will be a posting regarding this gathering.

He commented that on July fifteenth from one to five there will be a meeting with Sheldon Mudd and a representative from the State covid relief planning board will be doing a presentation through rural development. There will be a flyer for those interested. It will be at the senior center.

Mr. Burt stated that he's been working on the town's fitness track, and he asked the secretary to inform the board what she discovered.

The secretary commented that she spoke with Truleap Technologies who is excited and willing to donate, Raft River Rural Electric has sent her a sponsorship form that needs to be filled out, and DL Evans bank has also sent a form that needs to be filled out.

Mr. Burt commented that that the layout is for a one mile track and the estimate for the asphalt is forty-two thousand and the base gravel is also forty-two thousand. This is the reason why the town is requesting donations and whatever is left they will try to get from Capital.

Theresa Dimmitt (CEO Jackpot's Helping Hands /Food Pantry) mentioned that the owner of the Blue Sky properties agreed to two to five thousand dollars also. There are two spots where they are thinking of putting fitness activities in. The cheapest piece of equipment that he can have out there is nine thousand dollars. He is still waiting on quotes for other things. The public work's crew will cut the path, Idaho Sand and Gravel will deliver the gravel and compact it and lay the asphalt. The public works crew will paint it and add signage.

He mentioned that everything that was requested in the budgets was approved and all the budgets returned to pre-covid. He commented that Bill Dimmitt (Senior Center) had four thousand dollars for the senior center starting in July.

He is in a big meeting with Elko, BLM, and ADO with the FAA who gave the town a quote of three hundred thousand dollars to buy the property from the BLM. The ADO is really involved because a new lease agreement needs to get done. There will be a conference call with all these entities so everybody can be informed.

The BLM hasn't given the town anything definite on alternate proposals on how to purchase the property. Monica Burt (Jackpot Advisory Board member) commented that eventually it would save the town funds to buy the property instead of it being on a lease. Mr. Burt stated that the airport, public works building, wastewater, and transfer station are all on the BLM lease agreement, with all these entities on the property the BLM has no use for it.

He mentioned that he is working with Armstrong on new AICP programs for the next five years and if a new lease agreement isn't signed until 2040, he'll lose the following years monies. He commented that the airport through the FAA and the federal government Jackpot gets one hundred fifty thousand dollars of entitlement funding every year. The town is only allowed to carry four hundred and fifty thousand dollars in the books, because the last two projects were denied the town was over the four hundred and fifty thousand, he had to sign 2018 entitlement money to Carson City airport.

Mr. Burt commented that the backhoe has to be sent for repair because it overheated going from the site that they were working on to the shop. He mentioned that this year most of their equipment stopped working and needed repairs. He stated that he spoke with Susan Poprocki (Comptroller) and all the departments in Jackpot are doing well for this year. There are some departments in the red, but there are enough funds to cover those.

Mrs. Burt asked if the expansion on the public works building was going to proceed. Mr. Burt stated that it will, but the problem is that he'll need to keep the cost under one hundred thousand dollars so that the prevailing wages act doesn't go into effect. He also needs to find a contractor to do the work.

He mentioned that he's still working with some investors and developers regarding the town property and putting it up for sale. There are currently only a couple properties that can be purchased, and apartments are becoming scarce. He's also working with Sheldon Mudd and there a couple people interested in Jackpot. There is also a company looking at Jackpot or Wendover for their company. This would bring many people to Jackpot and over one thousand acres is needed for the facility.

Chairwoman Teresa Hugill asked if they need to talk to the State of Idaho so that maybe something can be done from the border back. Mr. Burt stated that it could be, but he thinks that it's all BLM property and if there is a need for the property it can be expedited which takes three years or twenty years for a non-expedited property.

Chairwoman Hugill asked if he had heard anything about the Covered Wagon and other buildings. Mr. Burt stated that Curtis (Elko) sent him a couple of the letters that were sent out to the Covered Wagon and Lynch Oil properties. These businesses have thirty days to comply and if not, he can start getting contractors. The red barn letter went out later because there was an issue with the ownership of that property. He commented that Chairwoman Hugill and another member of the board need to meet with him.

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.

No 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 – May 13, 2021

Next Meeting Date – July 8, 2021

Motion: Monica Burt made a motion to accept the minutes for the Jackpot Advisory Board Meeting for the date of May 13, 2021, and the next meeting date for the Jackpot Advisory Board Meeting for the date of July 8, 2021, seconded by Alex Torrero. Motion passed.

VOTE:

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

Nay:
Absent:
Abstain:

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF COMMENTS

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Bruce Ririe (Jackpot Advisory Board member) thanked everybody for all their efforts towards the town and departments.

Vice-Chair Shawn Mathis commented that the streetlight project makes the town look awesome and he appreciates all the effort that gets put into making the town look better.

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Larry Lineberry (Jackpot Town member) stated that he's interested in doing the Jackpot Jam. He's talked to Jeff Young about it and Mr. Young has got a new position and doesn't have time to do it. The traditional date is the first Monday in August.

Vice-Chair Shawn Mathis commented that Mr. Lineberry should meet with the tourism department and the town's event coordinator.

Tara Norris (Event Coordinator) stated that it would be more of a tourism event to try and get people to the town.

Chairwoman Hugill commented that she would also like to talk to Mr. Young to make sure he's ok with this.

Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) mentioned that this wasn't a town event and Mr. Young requested funds from the town board. He thinks this event needs to be done.

Mr. Lineberry commented that he had all the production equipment, and he would like to help if the town is interested in doing the Jackpot Jam.

Ms. Norris mentioned that she wouldn't do it on a Monday. Chairwoman Hugill stated that this is something that needs to be discussed and Mr. Lineberry needs to be on the following month's agenda to discuss things and funds.

Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot's Helping Hands/Tourism) commented that she had spoken with Mr. Young who expressed that he could no longer participate in the Jackpot Jam and it would be ok for Mr. Lineberry to work on it. Chairwoman Hugill stated that she still would like to personally talk to him.

Mrs. Dimmitt mentioned that the tourism department is looking at doing a beer and wine garden and it would be nice to include that with the Jackpot Jam. Mr. Burt commented that he would like to discuss some details regarding this event.

Tim Bruebaker (Deuces Wild Car Show Extravaganza) thanked the advisory board for helping him make the car show possible the previous year. He thanked Brent Fleshman (Golf Club) for renting them the golf carts and delivering a new golf cart when the other golf cart stopped working. Mr. Lineberry helps tremendously with the sound and stage every year.

He stated that on Saturday morning, Helping Hands would be providing breakfast and a menu will be listed on the website closer to the event. There will also be a food drive and he will be purchasing a fifty inch smart television to raffle off, for every five canned food items a person will receive one ticket.

He mentioned that there is more information at the website www.deuceswildcarshow.com this also includes town information. Cactus Petes is still the host sponsor. He has added extra trophies, so he needs people from the Jackpot Fire Department, Jackpot Public Works, Jackpot Tourism, Jackpot's Helping Hands, and the Jackpot Advisory Board to available Saturday morning to judge their own category. There will also be other trophies from local businesses.

He commented that there will be bands this year, the Trailer Park Rebels will play Friday and on Saturday JR and the Stingrays. Mr. Lineberry will be helping with the sound and stage. The car show will be at the town park.

Mr. Bruebaker stated that he setup a booth at the Boise Roadster show and used the tourism backdrop. They also played a video with footage taken from a drone of the car show on a fifty inch television. He thanked the town and Cactus Petes for the support towards his car show.

ADJOURN

Motion: Alex Torrero made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice-Chairman Shawn Mathis. Motion passed.

VOTE:

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

Nay:

Absent:

Abstain:

Meeting adjourned at 6:47 pm.