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**JACKPOT ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2020

6:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Jackpot Advisory Board was called to order by Chairwoman Hugill at 6:00 pm mountain standard time on September 10, 2020 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 (Video)
Heath Higley, Raft River Electric
Shelly Hester, Jackpot Ambulance
Randy Pingel, Jackpot Fire Department
Bill Dimmitt, Jackpot Tourism President
Theresa Dimmitt, Jackpot (FISH) Program
Wilde Brough, Clover Valley

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE GALLERY:

Chairwoman 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:

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 he had nothing new to report. They were thankful that they didn't get any calls from Jackpot on the weekend due to the wind. They had tons of damage in the areas they serve including some parts in Utah. There were many trees that fell on people's houses and in some areas in Utah they figured gravel was being blown and broke car windows, tractor windows, and home windows. It was a mess.

Bruce Ririe (Jackpot board member) thanked Mr. Higley for trimming the trees in the town a month ago.

Mr. Higley asked if there were power bumps during the weekend.

Chairwoman Teresa Hugill stated that she didn't remember any and that things were good.

Mr. Higley commented that they have been working with Dotty's and are probably two or three weeks away from having power installed.

Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) stated that everything was fixed with the golf course and he had nothing to report to Mr. Higley.

- b. Nevada Health Center update.

No Representatives Present.

- c. Discussion and consideration in regard to ordinances or rules that landlords must follow or can tenants, and board members write a letter to the owners and demand they clean, make necessary repairs, and maintain the outside of the buildings.
(ACTION ITEM)

Chairwoman Hugill commented that people are aware of which apartment complex is having issues and she asked Shawn Burt (Jackpot Public Works Superintendent) if the board could start and ordinance or do something.

Mr. Burt stated that Thomas Ingersoll (CBO) is currently working on this ordinance and until it's finished, nothing can be done.

Chairwoman Hugill commented that once the ordinance is finalized the town will be able to do something. She also mentioned that Nevada Rural housing may be able to help in some way. She stated that once the ordinance is complete, she will let people know.

No action was taken on this item.

JACKPOT GOLF COURSE

1. Golf Course operations update.
NON ACTION ITEM

No Representative present.

JACKPOT TOURISM

NON ACTION ITEM

1. Tourism's operations update.

Bill Dimmitt (Tourism President) stated that there may be one or two positions vacant on the tourism board. The vacant positions will be posted the following day and remain posted until September twenty-fifth. On October first the board will vote on the recommendations for the open positions and present them to the advisory board for approval at their next meeting on October ninth.

He mentioned that the tourism department had a booth at the car show, and he thanked everybody who helped set-up, clean up, and all things in between. The guys from public works made a frame for the backwall that is for outdoor use and helpful in strong winds. There was a positive response from people at the car show and the prize wheel was a huge success.

Mr. Dimmitt commented that the tourism department also attended the Twin Falls County Fair from Wednesday, September second through Monday, September seventh. The prize wheel was the talk of the fair. It had to be removed because after Saturday there were only a few items left. It's safe to say the Tourism department was the most popular vendor at the fair. The most popular items were the tote bags and the cooling towels, one day it was over one hundred degrees, and everybody wanted a cooling towel. The cooling towels and totes could be seen all around the fair; it was amazing.

It was extremely helpful being out talking to an audience and potential visitors to know what they are looking for on the website. There will be trail maps uploaded to the website for those off-road explorers.

He mentioned that many people asked about the buffets and wanting those to be opened. They also would prefer not having to wear masks in the casinos.

The google report is as follows:

Business	#Searches last 30 days	Views	Activity
Bloom Shooting	Not Enough Data		
Hayden Airfield	590	759	0

Dog Park	1043	3029	6
Fire Department	1283	3460	18
Jackpot Park	2048	5091	26
Public Works	966	3058	249
Senior Center	35	232	3

Monica Burt (Advisory Board member) asked Mr. Dimmitt about the meaning for the activity section.

Theresa Dimmitt (Tourism Director) commented that it means somebody made a review, a comment, or clicked on a link to go to the town's website.

Mr. Dimmitt mentioned that the next tourism meeting will be on September seventeenth at two.

JACKPOT EVENTS

1. Events operations update.

Tara Norris (Event Coordinator) stated that there aren't any events planned due to covid. The car show was a great hit. There was a great turnout and she thinks it's one of the best turnouts the town has had.

Chairwoman Teresa Hugill commented that she would like to start talking about Halloween.

Ms. Norris stated that she's been thinking about it and since it's on a Saturday it would be nice to have the town do a huge trunk-or-treat. It can be monitored, and the town volunteers can have masks or gloves for those that need them, but they will need to figure out a big area to have all the cars at.

Chairwoman Hugill thought that maybe they could do a parade like the Fourth of July and the children could dress-up and be in front of their homes instead of going places. She asked Randy Pingle (Jackpot Fire Department) if they would be doing their usual event.

Mr. Pingle commented that he hadn't heard, but he didn't think it would be a good idea to have people close together.

Chairwoman Hugill agreed and commented that there shouldn't be personal contact between people. She mentioned that she would like for there to be something for Halloween and it not be completely ruled out.

Ms. Norris stated she would like to do something for the children because as of right now there is nothing planned for Christmas, but she hopes things could change so she can plan a Christmas party for the town.

Chairwoman Hugill commented that she would work with Ms. Norris on an idea for Halloween and they would present it at the meeting in October. She also asked the people in attendance to voice their ideas if they had any.

JACKPOT SENIOR CENTER

2. Senior Center operations update.

No representative present.

Chairwoman Hugill commented that the town would be losing Mary Hess (Senior Center Director) and the position would be vacant.

JACKPOT FOOD BANK

3. (FISH) Food bank update.
NON ACTION ITEM

Theresa Dimmitt (Food Bank) stated that there is plenty of food. The program is currently serving forty-nine families and that is two less than before. There are one hundred and seven people. This includes twenty-three seniors from the community and the fire department delivers to fourteen families.

The public works technicians will be picking up food on Monday and anybody who has free time is welcome Monday or Friday afternoon to help move boxes to rotate stock at the public works building.

Mrs. Dimmitt commented that she is still receiving new applications on a regular basis. There are many people that haven't returned to work or others that have but need the help in order to get caught up on their bills. There are also the people who will need it for a long time because they never knew this help existed in the town and now have the ability to receive it, but it has steadied out for the most part.

She mentioned that she created a shopping list because there was a complaint that people were throwing away many things. People are given the shopping list and they cross out the items that they don't want. There is a side for week one and the other is week two. This list is kept in their files to provide proof for the Food Bank in Elko of what was given to each participant and where the food is going. This helps a lot from what she can tell because this way people are only getting what they like to eat and want. This saves space in their homes and they aren't throwing the food items away.

Chairwoman Hugill thanked Mrs. Dimmitt for putting the list together because she knows that people were throwing a lot of it away.

Tara Norris (Event Coordinator) commented that all the food could be used for something.

JACKPOT RECREATION CENTER

- A. Recreation Department operations update.
NON ACTION ITEM

Beth Lamb (Video) (Jackpot Recreation Center) stated that she's still getting some community members working out, but she is missing a few.

She has a handful of community people wanting to use the facility. There are travelers who at the recreation center.

She mentioned that she's been working on the lawn and has killed most of the weeds. The lawn is looking better. She commented that she got certified as an aquatic facility operator (AFO) and she is working on her certification for parks and recreational professional, other than that all is good.

Chairwoman Hugill thanked Ms. Lamb.

JACKPOT PUBLIC WORKS

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

Gustavo Estrada (Public Works) stated that they have been doing a couple of jobs at the airport which include crack-sealing and painting. They did their water samples and sent them off. They are keeping busy. They helped at the car show with a few things. They are working on minor things in order to try and keep the budget down and not spend too much.

Bruce Ririe (Advisory Board member) thanked Mr. Estrada and commented that the town looks great and it's because of the work that they do. This is appreciated.

Mr. Estrada thanked Mr. Ririe and mentioned that the following week they planned to continue painting and crack-sealing before it begins to freeze, and they begin their plowing.

JACKPOT SAFETY / FIRE

1. Jackpot Ambulance

- a. Jackpot Ambulance operations update.

Shelly Hester (Jackpot ambulance) stated that for the month of August they had twenty-six calls, thirteen of those were transports, and four of the transports were air St. Luke's because the patients were critical. There were quite a number of calls the previous month. The EMT class was finally able to test.

2. Jackpot Fire Department

- a. Jackpot Fire Department operations update.

Randy Pingel (Fire Department) stated that they had fifteen calls, it's just business as usual and they are trying to help wherever they can.

Elko County Sheriff's Department

- a. Sheriff Office operations update.

No Representatives present.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

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

No Comments.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT AND OTHER ITEMS OF DISCUSSION:

1. Discussion and consideration of received correspondence.

Chairwoman Hugill stated that there wasn't any 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 – August 13, 2020

Next Meeting Date – October 8, 2020

Motion: Monica Burt made a motion to accept the minutes for the Jackpot Advisory Board Meeting for the date of August 13, 2020, and the next meeting date for the Jackpot Advisory Board Meeting for the date of October 8, 2020, seconded by Bruce Ririe. Motion passed.

VOTE:

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

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.

Monica Burt (Advisory board member) commented that she's had several people mention that they would like a courthouse in the town.

She made a phone call to Mason Simons (Elko Justice of the peace/municipal court judge) because she thought he was responsible for this kind of decision, but she found out that he has nothing to do with this decision. She stated that when the courthouse was closed it was the Elko County Commissioners who made the decision.

This just happened to coincide at the same time he was opening another courthouse in Elko making it look like he was in charge of decision, but he wasn't.

In order for the town to get another courthouse he suggested that it be presented to the Elko County Commissioners to bring back the judicial township. He recommends that it be done next year because there are other things pending. The town also needs to see how the town progresses economically or changes with new business ventures. All of information would look better for the town and could be presented to the commissioners.

He mentioned that the town could talk to the Wells judge Colton to make arraignments to have him hold court in the town one day a week or one day every two weeks. The town will just need a place for him to hold court if he were willing to do it.

She mentioned that Judge Simons would be willing to do something for the town the following year if the commissioners don't allow a full court. If the town believes it needs a drug court, he would make something available to have a drug court in the town. This is something similar that he did in Wendover. This is some information on getting the courthouse back and what information the town can start gathering.

It's good news because the town maybe able to get the courthouse if the commissioners can be convinced. Mrs. Burt stated that she would also be researching the reason why the courthouse was removed in order rebut that.

Bruce Ririe (Advisory board member) commented that in the warehouse at Cactus Petes there are four boxes of toys that are available for Christmas. These are leftover toys that people donated after the previous toys had been donated. Those toys are available if the town figures out a way to do Christmas.

Chairwoman Hugill stated that they would be thinking of ways to do something for the children for Christmas.

Theresa Dimmitt (Tourism/Food Bank) asked if Cactus would not be doing their regular toy drive this year since those toys are being donated because those could be included in that toy drive.

Mr. Ririe stated that these are leftover toys and that Cactus Petes hasn't planned on how they would be doing the toy drive so the toys are available.

Mrs. Burt commented that Mrs. Dimmitt did a great job on her interview.

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ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm.