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JACKPOT ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

THURSDAY, July 10, 2025

6:30 P.M. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting of the Jackpot Advisory Board was called to order by Chairperson Jeff Young at 6:30 pm mountain standard time on July 10, 2025, in the meeting room of the Jackpot Administration Building, Jackpot, Nevada.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Jeff Young
 Teresa Hugill
 Larry Lineberry
 Monique Gollihar (Zoom)
 Monica Burt

Absent:

Others Present: Stacy Martinez, Jackpot Fire Department
 Theresa Dimmitt, Jackpot Recreation Center
 Theresa Dimmitt, Jackpot Tourism/Senior Center
 Shelly Hester, Jackpot Ambulance
 Brad Hester, Jackpot Fireworks
 David Meyers, J-U-B Engineering

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.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairperson Jeff Young 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 there were many substitutions because it was hard getting fireworks this year for everybody. The show lasted twenty-eight minutes instead of thirty and the last shell was awesome, but it was done by mistake. It was lit separately because it didn't go off when it was supposed to which gave it that timing which he thinks will be done moving forward. There was a pretty big crowd and the clean up was nice and easy. There weren't any fires.

Chairperson Jeff Young mentioned that it was a good show.

RAFT RIVER RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY NON-ACTION ITEM

1. Raft River Electric update.

Mike Christensen (Raft River) stated the only outage he knew about was on July 2nd, it was a blown fuse on Piersanti. The crew couldn't find a cause for it because they reinstalled the fuse and it held. He mentioned that two people from the town of Jackpot are attending the ICUA Youth rally which has commenced. The electricians were in town working on the fire department's shed wiring. A concern that they have is being ready for fire season because they have had a big fire by the Gamble Ranch in the last couple of days. It hasn't gotten any of their poles, but it's the season to start worrying about it.

Monica Burt (Jackpot Advisory Vice-Chairperson) asked if planned outages were on the app and Mr. Christensen stated that yes, they added those to the app, but there currently aren't any. He commented that the previous day there was an issue in Jarbidge, but they hadn't been aware of it. Vice-Chairperson Burt commented that her daughter had to work out in Jarbidge, and she didn't know there wasn't power. Mr. Christensen stated that they went out to check it and they found out that Idaho Power had planned an outage from 8am to 4pm. He hopes that the communication between them and Idaho Power gets better.

**NEVADA HEALTH CENTER
NON-ACTION ITEM**

1. Nevada Health Center update.

Kerrie Preston (Practice Manager: Wendover/Jackpot) was absent, but she sent in the following email:

“Good afternoon,

I will be unable to attend tonight's meeting but wanted to check in with all of you. We continue to come once a month to the clinic and see on average about 10 patients each time. I have no updates on a full-time provider at this time, but recruitment continues. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,”

**Kerrie Preston
Practice Manager**

Chairperson Jeff Young stated that he wished that they would be in town more than once a month.

Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked Shawn Burt (Jackpot Superintendent) if the town had a contract with Nevada Health Centers. Mr. Burt stated that no. Chairperson Young asked if the town found a new provider that could service the town, they be able to take over the building. Mr. Burt stated that the new provider wouldn't be able to take over the building because Nevada Health Centers has an agreement with Cactus Petes. He commented that Angie Horn is working with St. Lukes to try and have them install a facility in the town. Chairperson Young mentioned that at the previous meeting they talked about Utah (Intermountain Health) servicing the town since they have a clinic in Wells. Mr. Burt stated that the town doesn't have a facility available and the new agency would need to install one. Chairperson Young asked if they could work with Cactus Petes to use the facility and Mr. Burt stated that they would need to break the lease. Mrs. Hugill commented that at one time there were different services offered, and she wonders if that could be done again, since they are having trouble getting a provider in the town this would help both sides. She mentioned that that there is a provider who is also a woman's care provider and that is a plus for the town. Vice-Chair Monica Burt commented that somebody may also want to contact Kerrie to see if they could increase having a provider twice a month or once a week. Larry Lineberry (Jackpot Advisory Board member) commented that this is something that is asked all the time. Chairperson Young stated that it used to be once every other month, and it was increased to once every month. Mr. Lineberry commented that most people get their healthcare from Twin Falls and if there were more services (sports physicals, immunizations, blood draws, etc.) in a fully functional small clinic in the town, it would save people a trip. Mr. Burt recommended that the advisory board draft a letter to St. Lukes, but to keep in mind that Mrs. Horn has been working with St. Lukes. Chairperson Young stated he would reach out to Mrs. Horn. Mrs. Hugill commented that the town will eventually need more medical support as it grows.

Theresa Dimmitt (Senior Services) asked about the length of the contract between Nevada Health Services and Cactus Petes.

She also mentioned that there are traveling nurses and that immunizations and blood draws are usually done by a nurse and the physician. Mrs. Dimmit commented that many people do go to Idaho for care, but if there is a retired school employee depending on their insurance most of their medical care needs to be done in Nevada. It would be a huge deal for the seniors if their medical needs could be met in Jackpot.

Mr. Lineberry asked Brandon Smith (Cactus Petes General Manager) if he could look into the contract between Cactus Petes and Nevada Health Centers to which he agreed. Sylvia Arnold (Jackpot Admin) asked if vaccinations for children be mentioned because she is having a hard time with her insurance. Chairperson Young commented that he would like to see vaccines be available for all ages and not just the children.

JACKPOT COMBINED SCHOOL

NON-ACTION ITEM

1. Jackpot Combined School update.

No representative present.

JACKPOT GOLF COURSE

NON-ACTION ITEM

1. Golf Course operations update.

Brent Fleshman (Jackpot Golf Club) stated that things are good, and the place is busy. The course is good. There have been some large events and more to come. He commented that in probably a decade they are hard searching for more help in the clubhouse and for another golf pro. It's tough with the lack of housing. They are trying to entice people to live in Twin and work four days on and three off. He stated that his main guy is getting older and he's moving around okay, but more help is needed because it's getting busier. There are the same number of tournaments, but it's the weekdays and weekends that are busy. There are things being done right in the town because people aren't just in the town to golf. He mentioned that in the past ten years the golf course would average during the weekday, with no events thirty to forty people and now it's an average of fifty to eighty during the week with no events. There were a couple golf pros from Boise that brought fifteen ladies for a two-day ladies clinic, they are staying and eating at Cactus Petes.

JACKPOT TOURISM & SENIOR CENTER

NON-ACTION ITEM

1. Jackpot Tourism updates.

Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Tourism) stated that the fourth of July event was a success. She thanked everybody who helped. There are thoughts of how to make it better the following year. The bull ride was a success and was brought in by Matt Perez. Kianah made sure that everybody signed a waiver. She thanked Larry Lineberry (Jackpot Advisory Board member) for supplying extension cords to those who needed them. She thanked Art and Gus (Public Works) for helping and ensuring there weren't any significant issues. The only complained she heard about was from a visitor out of Buhl who wanted to know why the parade was early and then nothing going on until 2pm. She stated that none of the vendors were ready before two and so next year it might be a good idea to start earlier.

She thanked the fire department for their help with the parade, setting up the waterslide, and a thank you to Brad for the fireworks during the parade and the ones in the evening.

Mr. Lineberry thanked her for all her work.

2. Senior Center updates.

Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Senior Center) stated that on Wednesdays they have been preparing meals for twenty-plus people with at least half of them delivered to their homes even out to Contact. There are at least twenty people participating in the senior activities on Tuesday and Wednesday. The seniors could also participate in chair yoga on Wednesdays starting at 2:15pm. Lunch and bingo are from noon to 2pm. The instructor is amazing and works with the seniors. There are waivers that people must sign. Yoga is being offered on Tuesday mornings at 10am, then on Wednesdays in the afternoon, but if people would like other times please her know because she is willing to work with everybody.

**JACKPOT RECREATION CENTER
NON-ACTION ITEMS**

1. Recreation Center Department operations update.

Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Recreation Center) stated that they will be making a deposit for three hundred forty-four dollars for the month of June. She doesn't have the report for the number of people that used the gym for the month of June, but she knows the numbers were a bit low. She commented that with school being out, graduation, and a few parties there seems to be a lag in the day-to-day attendance. The summer lunch program is still in operation and only a dozen children signed up, but there are only two or three regulars. She isn't sure where the rest of the children are, but she is certain that at least three get a hot meal. A hot lunch is available from 12 to 12:30pm and from 11:30am to 12 they can stop by for a cold lunch, but she needs to know in advance. She enjoys making the meals because she knows both the children and seniors are getting a hot meal for the day. The children's meals are offered on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday because on Wednesday she does the meals for the seniors. Larry Lineberry (Jackpot Advisory Board member) commented that he would keep this in mind especially if a situation arises. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that they are still offering swimming lessons, she has two new employees, one of which has started working, and the staff continues to train with the fire department and Shelly. The fire department and Shelly have a way of making such serious training fun and all of the staff are always present. She thanked the fire department and Shelly because the staff gets something out of it, and they talk about it days afterwards.

Mrs. Dimmitt mentioned that they would be getting information about the golf scramble that is happening in the middle of the following month. She asks anybody that is interested to contact her. Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked Mrs. Dimmitt to reach out to her. Mike Christensen (Raft River Electric) asked for the date and Mrs. Dimmitt stated that August 16th, the shotgun starts at 1:30pm.

JACKPOT PUBLIC WORKS

NON-ACTION ITEM

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

Gustavo Estrada (Jackpot Public Works lead) was absent. Shawn Burt (Jackpot Superintendent) stated that the public works team has been busy. They have been helping Cactus Petes spray the trees for caterpillars. He thanked Brad for letting them use his sprayer until they get theirs. They have also placed the flags out for the Fourth of July. He commented that the caterpillars have only been seen at Cactus Petes properties as of now. Brent Fleshman (Jackpot Golf Club) mentioned that the main trees that looked the worst at the golf course are almost all the way back to being healthy. Mr. Burt stated that the budgets have been released, and the county did something new, so the town did receive the funding it's just not seen in the budgets. They are also working on compiling the information for the things that were requested.

JACKPOT FIRE/AMBULANCE/SAFETY

1. Jackpot Fire Department operations update.

Brian Hugill (Jackpot Fire Chief) was absent. Brandon Martinez (Jackpot Fire Department) relayed the information. They had a total of fifty-two calls which included the thirty-one medicals. There were sixteen service calls for fire. It will only get worse because it's wildland fire season. There was also a vehicle accident. He mentioned that wildland fires are expected to get worse especially since there had been nothing but red flag warnings the majority of the month. The crew has been training, it's the season to drink lots of water, and to keep fire safety in mind. Chairperson Jeff Young mentioned that people have asked about the fire towards Montello. Mr. Martinez stated that it's further than it looks. Montello, some Clover Valley, Wells and some BLM guys were taking care of it. The Jackpot crew advised them that if needed they could also help. He doesn't have too much information on it and doesn't know if it's contained.

Theresa Dimmit (Jackpot Senior Center) asked about a gentleman she has heard of that is living in the brush until he can make it to Idaho. She wonders if the fire department has been in touch with him just to make sure he isn't lighting any fires at night since the temperature drops or to cook. Mr. Martinez stated that he personally hadn't talked to the guy, but they do monitor the town for potential fires. They haven't received any 911 calls regarding this individual and they don't operate out of their legal capacity. Mr. Hugill mentioned that they have talked to this gentleman, and he doesn't want any help, he just wants to be on his way to Twin Falls. The wood he has in his shopping cart is used to set up his tent. He thanked Mike Christensen (Raft River) for sending the electricians to work on the fire station bay and it will probably be ready for use the following week. He mentioned that the fireworks were great, and they helped Larry Lineberry (Jackpot Advisory Board member), it was a good time. Mr. Hugill stated that there is a fire line all around the town, he's talked to Brent at the golf course regarding some brush that could cause issue, and Josh Staley (Tree Top Ranch) has also removed a lot of brush. The fire that is to the west and the northwest of Montello is over ten thousand acres and it's fifteen to twenty percent contained. The Ranch Salmon Cattlemen's Association has removed all their brush beads all towards Texas Canyon and all the way back to the Springs and back. Rhey are also growing prairie grass to feed the cattle.

Vice-Chairperson Monica Burt congratulated Mr. Martinez on his nuptials.

2. Jackpot Ambulance operations update.

Shelly Hester stated that for the previous month they had a total of thirty-one calls, fifteen of those were transports, two of which were air transport through St. Lukes. She and Brian Hugill (Jackpot Fire Chief) have continued the training with the recreation center staff. There will be some training done in Jarbidge in a couple weeks along with a CPR class. They will be present at Cactus Petes for their bulls and broncs rodeo. She commented that she’s been told that the new ambulance is on its way.

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.

A letter expressing the pride felt towards the town and everybody involved in the Fourth of July event addressed to the board was read by Vice-Chairperson Monica Burt. The letter was written by Theresa Dimmitt. Chairperson Jeff Young thanked Mrs. Dimmitt on behalf of everybody.

**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 June 12, 2025.
(This material is available upon request.)

Next Meeting Date – August 14, 2025

Motion: Larry Lineberry moved to do that, seconded by Monique Gollihar. Motion passed.

VOTE:
Aye: Jeff Young
Teresa Hugill
Larry Lineberry
Monique Gollihar (Zoom)
Monica Burt
Nay:
Absent:
Abstain:

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

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Larry Lineberry (Jackpot Advisory Board member) stated that Jackpot Jam is a big thing for him. He has a lot of equipment and receives lots of help. He commented that all the companies in the town did exactly what they said they would do. The bands were taken care of well. Tad sent Polo to help him, and he was of great help. The fire crew is the second most knowledgeable group when installing his gear. He will be donating the drum riser that he uses to the town because it won't do well another winter under his tree. The town will also be storing his frames. He also mentioned that Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Tourism) did a great job with the booths. He thanked everybody that helped and hopes that he can continue doing the Jackpot Jam.

Monique Gollihar (Jackpot Advisory Board member) apologized for her absences as of late and hopes that the following month she will be on day shift and can start attending in person.

Chairperson Jeff Young asked Shawn Burt (Jackpot Superintendent) about the housing project. Mr. Burt stated that they had a meeting the previous week, they are finalizing if everything goes according to plan, and everybody turns in what needs to be done the latest would be the second week of the following month for them to break ground. He isn't privy to get into a lot of detail, but there are three phases of the project which will span out to five years. There are enough homes to start phase two, at the end of five years there will be one hundred sixty homes. Chairperson Young stated that it was great news.

Mr. Lineberry asked Mr. Burt if the town was moving closer to becoming a city, Mr. Burt stated that the town could do it now if they wanted to start implanting that. The town meets all the requirements that the State requires. He advises that they wait until the next census because if the town wants to do it they need to pay the state for a census to be done solely in Jackpot which can cost about fifty thousand dollars. Vice-Chairperson Monica Burt commented that the next census would be in 2030. He also recommends that the board wait to see how the housing development goes. The state requires that there's a thousand people population, the town is self-sustaining, and that there is diversified business. He hopes that with the housing development the town can eventually get a store. Diversified businesses is what stopped Spring Creek from being finished. Mr. Lineberry asked if this is something that would be good for the town. Mr. Burt stated that with the economy this year, the state taking a higher percentage, and the prediction that the following year will be just as bad or worse it may not be a good time to do it until they see a turnover, as of now Jackpot is still self-sustaining. Chairperson Young asked if Mr. Burt had any resources the board could use to start getting information on how to incorporate. Mr. Burt stated he had a contact at the state that he's talked to. Chairperson Young commented that he would visit him on Monday or Tuesday. Mr. Burt mentioned that there would be positions that would have to be filled that Elko County supplies the town with. The town would need to have an attorney on the retainer, a comp controller, mayor, and there would be a city council which would be paid positions. These are additional expenditures. Chairperson Young commented that the town's budget is pretty tight.

Mr. Burt stated that the town's budgets are well equipped, and he understands that wages and payroll are the highest expenditures, but some high dollar positions can be outsourced to Elko County. Chairperson Young commented that if they start researching things it would probably be two years before reaching their goal because it's a process especially with government. Mr. Burt stated that budgets would be tighter, but this is the first year in fifteen years of doing budgets that it ended up being ten percent because he's never been below twelve percent. This is also the first time in fifteen years that the recreation fund revenue is higher than the general fund because of how the economy is. Mr. Lineberry suggested that the board may want to do an action item to start the process. Mr. Burt stated that a committee wouldn't need to be formed, the board would approve to allocate funds after speaking with the gal from the state to get the cost amount and the commissioners would also need to approve it. Once this is done a study is started and once that is complete, they will make a recommendation. He has the study that was done in Pahrump and Spring Creek, and they meet the criteria other than diversified businesses. There aren't any diversified businesses in those locations. Chairperson Young asked that for the next agenda the item to move forward with the process of incorporating be included as an action item. Mr. Burt mentioned that even after the study is done the recommendation may be for the town not to incorporate at that time, but at least the study will be done. He isn't sure how long the study will be good for and there are other factors like a decrease or influx of things. Mr. Burt reiterated that positions would need to be filled, negotiations with Elko County could be made to see what we can maintain through them and it will most likely be done like the sheriff's department, where they have agreed and wages are negotiated. He mentioned that he along with the rest of the employees are county employees and once the town incorporates everybody would lose their jobs. Vice-Chair Burt commented that it would be on the city to rehire everybody.

Mr. Burt commented that things are moving along and an agreement for one of the projects has been signed for the airport. He isn't sure if the FAA has released the funding, but a contractor has been assigned for one of the projects.

He received the study reports on the water for the new well and tank, everything is looking good on that end. The tank will be 1.5 million gallons, and it will give Jackpot 2.8 million gallons. The tank will sit alongside the smaller one. The well will be located across the street from the LDS Church on the corner of Old School and Progressive. Chairperson Young asked about the health of the current wells. Mr. Burt stated that there are five wells in the town, but only two can sustain the town, hence the pursue for another well. This time of the year if the park well went down the new well would never be shutoff or keep up. It doesn't pump enough volume so there needs to be a backup system. The reason for the location of the new well is because of the huge influx of water population on that side of town. Vice-Chair Burt asked about the other three wells, Mr. Burt stated that the well outside of the door is kept in service for chlorination purposes in case the big ones go down, but it only pumps 175 gallons per minute, the well on the north side of Cactus Petes has shown traces of uranium, so it can't be operated, once the new well is installed the rights from the Cactus Petes well will be abandoned and moved over to the new well. The Cactus Petes will only pumps 385 gallons. The new well should do about 2500 gallons. The biggest one is the park well which can pump 2200 gallons. The new well will be the biggest one. He reiterated that as of now there are only two wells that could sustain the town all year around. The other well the town has is tied into the water distribution system, but it only feeds the pond at the golf course. On an emergency basis he could put it back in, but it only does 475 gallons. There would have to be restrictions if he had to reroute water.

Chairperson Young asked about wastewater. Mr. Burt stated that he would be meeting with Craig Johnson the following day to finish the study to see what percentage the town is at. If the town is at 73 to 77 percent, then funding will be needed. Chairperson Young asked if the town was still using the poogaloos and if they are working. Mr. Burt stated that yes and that they are working perfectly. The town is still exceeding the state requirements for discharge. If they end up having to upgrade, it will be an identical system to what the town has. He commented that in five years there will be 160 homes and there may be other things. Water is tested every month for E.coli and Chloroform and once a year for fifty thousand different things. The CCR's will be posted shortly and people will be able to see the quality and everything from the previous year regarding water. Vice-Chair Burt mentioned that some people had comments regarding the water quality and the CCR's will reassure them that the water is ok. Mr. Burt stated that the water is perfect. Chairperson Young stated that it sounds like all in all the town is in pretty good shape.

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC:

NON-ACTION ITEM

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Larry Lineberry (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked Brandon Smith (Cactus Petes) about food stamps. Mr. Smith stated that he heard from Justin that they made progress with the government and the paperwork is in the last steps.

ADJOURN

ACTION ITEM

Motion: Monica Burt motioned to adjourn, seconded by Larry Lineberry. Motion passed.

VOTE: Aye: Larry Lineberry
 Jeff Young
 Teresa Hugill
 Monique Gollihar (Zoom)
 Monica Burt

 Nay:
 Absent:
 Abstain:

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.