



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

THURSDAY, September 11, 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 September 11, 2025, in the meeting room of the Jackpot Administration Building, Jackpot, Nevada.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Jeff Young
Teresa Hugill
Monica Burt

Absent: Monique Gollihar
Larry Lineberry

Others Present: Shawn Burt, Jackpot Town Superintendent
Gustavo Estrada, Public Works Lead
Theresa Dimmitt, Jackpot Recreation Center
Theresa Dimmitt, Jackpot Tourism/Senior Center
Shelly Hester, Jackpot Ambulance
Stacy Martinez, Jackpot Fire Department
Brad Hester, Jackpot Fireworks

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:

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Brad Hester (Jackpot Fireworks) asked about the Christmas fireworks because he would need to submit an order. The board members stated that they would be voting on a date and Shawn Burt (Jackpot Town Superintendent) commented that Mr. Hester had the same budget as the previous year.

TOWN OF JACKPOT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

E1. Discussion and consideration to approve the Christmas party date: December 3rd or December 10th.

ACTION ITEM

Theresa Dimmitt (Aquatic and Senior Center) commented that the school mentioned that they would be having their Winter concert on December 17th. Vice-Chair Monica Burt asked if there were any other events happening at the school. Trinidad Torrero (Jackpot Combined School) stated that there would be a basketball game in Richfield on December 10th and nothing on the 3rd. Vice-Chair Burt asked about any other dates and Shawn Burt (Jackpot Town Superintendent) commented that dates further out in the month he would be absent for a board meeting, and the students are released early for Christmas break on the 18th. Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked about December 11th, but that day is the Advisory Board meeting. She commented that maybe the board meeting could be moved to the 4th and the party could be on 11th. Vice-Chair Burt mentioned that if a meeting needed to happen it could be done as the second meeting if there was an emergency or not have one at all. Chairperson Jeff Young stated that he didn't like the idea of not having a meeting. Mr. Burt mentioned that the meeting could be held on the 10th and Mr. Young agreed to that.

Motion: Vice-Chair Monica Burt made a motion to have the Christmas Party on December 11th, seconded by Teresa Hugill. Motion passed.

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

RAFT RIVER RURAL ELECTRIC COMPANY

NON-ACTION ITEM

1. Raft River Electric update.

Mike Christensen (Raft River) was absent, but he sent in the following email: I am in meetings in Boise through today, so I will not be able to make the meeting tonight. We are planning on doing a safety demonstration at the school in October and attending the science fair on the same night. I don't know if any outages that have occurred since the last time I was there. Have a great day and see you next month.

Mike

Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) mentioned a couple brown outs, but not the power going completely out. Vice-Chair Monica Burt stated that if there are or were problems they could be relayed to Shawn Burt (Jackpot Town Superintendent) since he's on the Raft River Board.

NEVADA HEALTH CENTER

NON-ACTION ITEM

1. Nevada Health Center update.

Kerrie Preston (Nevada Health Centers Practice Manager Jackpot Community Health Center) was present through Zoom. She stated that Brock Vance was at the clinic on September 3rd and saw ten patients. The next visit will be on October 1st, and Rachel will be the provider. There will also be a sports physical clinic that day for students that need them for the fall sports. She will be emailing everybody the flyer and Sylvia (Jackpot Admin) will be sending it to the school. If there are more students than available slots that day, they will return another day in October in order to get the students' physicals completed before their due date.

Chairperson Jeff Young asked if the clinic in the town is any closer to getting a full-time provider and Ms. Preston stated that they are hopeful since the Elko clinic has three new providers, so they will continue to promote the Jackpot location. Vice-Chair Monica Burt asked if any of the new providers in Elko could be in Jackpot one day a week. Ms. Preston stated that the clinic isn't filling up on the days the Wendover providers are in town, so it doesn't seem like more is needed. The day would need to be filled with appointments in order to have a provider in the town weekly, but since it isn't being filled monthly it causes a dilemma. Chairperson Young stated that people go to Twin Falls and don't think about the clinic in the town because they know there isn't a provider all the time.

Ms. Preston mentioned that when Skylar worked at the clinic every day, he saw the same number of patients that are being seen monthly now, but they will continue to recruit a provider. She stated that every month at the meeting with her superiors she continues to say that Jackpot needs a provider. The board thanked her for time.

JACKPOT COMBINED SCHOOL NON-ACTION ITEM

1. Jackpot Combined School update.

Trini Torrero (Jackpot Combined School) stated that the school is off to a good start and there has been a slight change to the school calendar. The classes began one week earlier, and the last day of school will be May 29th. There will no longer be school on Friday if there is a holiday in the week. Parents can find the school calendar on the school website or stop by the school to pick one up. The SBAC Scholars that tested at certain levels last year were rewarded with a trip to Twin, the first week of school. They had pizza at the park and went bowling. The green house is coming along very well; it should be up and running soon. There are new employees: Dawn Brownell-Title 1 para, Zonia Aviala-Para, Betty-Health aide, Nicholas Sanchez-P.E. teacher, and Samantha Sanchez-SPED Teacher. Picture day will be on September 23 and Science night on October 8, 2025, from 4:30-6:30pm. The senior call will be doing a pizza fundraiser starting on October 22, 2025.

There isn't a volleyball team this year due to low participation and small numbers.

The lunch program prices did change per the state, but families also submitted their applications for the free/reduced lunches:

Breakfast K-12-\$2.85

Lunch:

Elementary-\$4.25

Junior High-\$4.50

High School-\$4.75

The program is going well; the cook Tony has been receiving better food and now more secondary students are eating lunch at the school instead of going home.

Katie Estrada (Jackpot Combined School) mentioned that the school is starting a student ran store. The students are designing the jaguar spirit wear. There will be a catalog and if anybody is interested in supporting the school and they are also working on having an online place for people to order. People will also be able to customize their item. There will be clothing, coffee mugs, and stickers. They are hoping to have the store open in October.

Chairperson Jeff Young asked about the number of students at the school. Ms. Torrero stated that she would get a number for him the following month. Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked about not having a volleyball team and if it was because of lack of participation or not enough girls. Ms. Torrero stated that there weren't enough girls to make a team.

JACKPOT GOLF COURSE NON-ACTION ITEM

1. Golf Course operations update.

Brent Fleshman (Jackpot Golf Club) the course is winding down and it's still busy. He mentioned that he was looking for help and found some for August, but he knows that they will be looking for help the following year. The course is in good shape. He mentioned that three or four weeks ago there was a microburst that went right through the golf course, and three trees were lost. They were all in a row five hundred yards apart. He thanked Shawn (Jackpot Town Superintendent) and the public works crew for chopping them up and getting rid of them. Mr. Fleshman mentioned that a gentleman had a minor heart attack and fell, his head hit the cart path. The fire department and ambulance arrived and transported him to the hospital from which he was released the following day. He commented that around one hundred Idaho Power employees would be golfing the following day and that the following week it would be Ferguson Plumbing supplies, which will wrap up the year.

JACKPOT TOURISM & SENIOR CENTER NON-ACTION ITEM

1. Jackpot Tourism updates.

Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Tourism) stated that she has completely updated the website, but if anybody visits the website and finds something that is wrong or a link that doesn't work to let her know. She mentioned that there is an opportunity for a grant, "event grant." It would be a town event, and it could be cultural, or heritage related. It would be an event that the town could create and build on. An idea could be a "Mexican Independence event" similar to what is done on the 4th of July. It would be on September 16th and would represent the Mexican community, but all community members are welcome. Chairperson Jeff Young commented that instead of a Mexican Independence event a Jackpot Days event could be done to represent the entire town. It would be another event aside from the 4th of July, just like Jarbidge does events on Memorial Day, Labor Day, and Jarbidge Days. They do multiple events. Mrs. Dimmitt stated that the event she hopes to plan would be something people would pay to attend. There would be a couple of good Hispanic bands that would play, and people would pay to attend. The event will be hosted in the town and is intended to have people spend the night. She doesn't have any details about where it would be held, but if anybody has ideas or feedback let her know. She mentioned that this was an idea her and the town clerk talked about years ago after the Mexican Independence event the town held where there were folkloric dancers. There was Mexican music and people danced and it was beautiful. This was done in the parking lot of Cactus Petes. This time around she would speak with Brandon (Cactus Petes GM) about using the amphitheater. The idea is to have something cultural that could be built on every year like the Basque festivities done in Elko every year.

2. Senior Center updates.

Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Senior Center) stated the Senior Center is doing great. There are more people participating in poker and they are a committed group. Their dealer had to step out for a while and now Deputy Holiday is covering for a few weeks. There is also Bingo which can have the same five people or there could be up to twelve people participating. The food bank is also doing well, and the seniors are getting their boxes. The food bank received extra boxes of government cheese, and anybody is welcome to ask for some.

JACKPOT RECREATION CENTER NON-ACTION ITEMS

1. Recreation Center Department operations update.

Theresa Dimmitt (Jackpot Recreation Center) stated the recreation center department had: three hundred and twenty gym memberships, nine swimmers, and one person for other. The “other” was an unhoused young man who cleaned up after himself, sat in the shade at the corner of the building, used the facilities shower and restroom and now he has left the area. The staff is doing great, and the facility is back to operating with the school hours. She lost her summer help, and the recreation center is looking to hire. The applicants need to know how to swim because training to pass the lifeguard test will be provided.

JACKPOT PUBLIC WORKS NON-ACTION ITEM

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

Gustavo Estrada (Jackpot Public Works lead) stated they have been sealing and painting the roads. (Dice, Lady Luck, Piersanti, Synder Way, and Roulette) They upgraded some water fixtures in the restrooms at the recreation center, and they will be doing the stalls also. They are getting things ready for winter; the salt and sand have been ordered. They have done maintenance on the plows to make sure they are ready for winter.

JACKPOT FIRE/AMBULANCE/SAFETY

1. Jackpot Fire Department operations update.

Brandon Martinez (Jackpot Fire Department) stated that after the state shut down and calculating everything, they determined that they did forty calls. He commented that holidays are coming, people are heading back to school, and that traveling will be busy. Brian Hugill (Fire Chief) stated that they received two vehicles, one is a loaner for one of the brush trucks. He commented that he and Shawn Burt (Jackpot Superintendent) had to shut down highway 93 in order to get the wrecked airplane through. The county fire has stated that they would be purchasing a brush truck for the department because they have been on many wildland fires. Matt Peterson has also picked up a new tender which is 2020, 1800 gallon, and moves a lot faster. Mr. Hugill mentioned that they have ordered a new heater for the new bay and that is all they have been waiting for. They have started occupying it and installing their SCBA tanks along with their respirators and breathers. They are currently working on the OHV with Carl Malone in Utah. The vehicle will be all enclosed, be able to go up hills, get the fire crews where they need to, it will be modified to have a gurney, and snow tracks will also be included. It’s a top-the-line model and it will be ten thousand dollars under budget. He mentioned that they have gotten their air packs and thanked the board for approving everything. Vice-Chairperson Monica Burt mentioned that they will be well prepared for winter.

2. Jackpot Ambulance operations update.

Shelly Hester (Jackpot Ambulance) stated that for the previous month they had a total of twenty-nine calls, sixteen of which were transports and two of those sixteen were flight transports. They have been busy and are now using the new bay. The new ambulance is still in Elko, and they are working on getting the radio installed. She has pictures of it and it’s nice looking. Mrs. Hester mentioned that after all the equipment is installed it will also need to pass the state inspections. Teresa Hugill (Jackpot Advisory Board member) asked if the town would have four licensed ambulances. Mrs. Hester stated that she isn’t sure there will be four licensed units because there was talk about having only three, so one unit would be retired, which is probably the 95 Ford. Mrs. Hugill asked if that unit belonged to the town or if it was Elko’s, Mrs. Hester stated that she wasn’t sure.

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.

An update to the Existing 2020 through 2025 Five-Year Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for the Town of Jackpot, Nevada.

Chairperson Jeff Young stated that it's a process for the town to move over to incorporation. He would like each board member to look through the packet, and it will be discussed the following month. Vice-Chair Monica Burt mentioned that they have had three meetings since the last board meeting. They have been meetings where they have talked to different people in different areas of the government to see the steps needed to be incorporated. The incorporation process could take five to eight years. The first step in the process is to do the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy study for the Town of Jackpot, and its cost is \$11,500.00 dollars. Mr. Young has heard that its inexpensive compared to others that are forty to fifty thousand dollars. It's a good price, but he wants to make sure this is something the board should be spending money on.

Sylvia Arnold (Jackpot Admin) mentioned that it would be from the University of Nevada Reno, and they use grants which is why the price is cheaper. Dr. Steinman will be directing the study and UNR (University of Nevada Reno) is the only university in the state that does this type of work. It's impressive. Chairperson Young mentioned that they have had pretty good meetings with them. They have also been in contact with Daphne Hooper, who is from Fernley, and they have incorporated, so he would like to learn what they did right, and more importantly, what they did wrong. Mrs. Hooper also has a list of things that if they had to do it all over again, they would do differently. Shawn Burt (Jackpot Town Superintendent) mentioned that it's public information and anybody could request the packet in order to see it. Chairperson Young commented that there may be questions from the board and things that may need to be amended. Mrs. Arnold commented that in the proposal there is a section where if the town moves forward with this Sheldon Mudd would be brought in, board members, and community members would decide on what will be included in the proposal before it's finalized. It will require community and business input as well. Chairperson Young stated that he wanted to present this to the board and get their input.

**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 August 14, 2025.
(This material is available upon request.)

Next Meeting Date – October 9, 2025

Motion: Monica Burt moved to accept the minutes of the last meeting and also the next meeting date of October 9th, seconded by Teresa Hugill. Motion passed.

VOTE:

Aye: Jeff Young
Teresa Hugill
Monica Burt

Nay:

Absent: Larry Lineberry
Monique Gollihar (Zoom)

Abstain:

ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF COMMENTS:

NON-ACTION ITEM

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Chairperson Jeff Young asked about a housing update. Shawn Burt (Jackpot Town Superintendent) stated that the following week on Wednesday the final draft documents would be presented for approval. He got all the plans from them, and they could start ordering the materials for the utilities. Things are moving forward. He has all of the drawings and everything for phase 1. There will be thirteen plus homes. He stated that Wednesday will be the last and final approvals for this project. Once this is done, they will break ground, and they hope to do that before the snow fall. Chairperson Young commented that in a worst-case scenario the project would shut down in the spring. Mr. Burt stated that if the winter is like the previous years they would probably work through it. It will be concrete, asphalt work, and being able to dig below frost level for utilities. He mentioned that he got the plans for Love’s RV Park and their permits, so that project will also be moving along. Chairperson Young asked about the water tank project. Mr. Burt stated that this is still in the process and the documents for the study are being finished. He will then have to contact the state to request the funds for the construction. It will be one project for the tank and well along with meters because the state is requiring that for all residents and businesses. This is all probably two years out because there are many steps that need to be done through the state. He mentioned that it has taken three years of work to get the funding for the study. There are two projects for the airport. They hope to be done with the first before the winter and they will work through the winter on the second project. This will be changing the wiring and lights on the taxiway. He mentioned that he’s visited with Corey Rice (Elko County Surveyor/Senior Planner) about certain things and they will be dealt with. It’s just taking longer than expected because he’s working on things on his own.

Vice-Chairperson Monica Burt commented that the town’s website is combined with the tourism website, and it’s paid for by tourism dollars.

She thinks that there should be a separate website for the town and maybe the funds used to pay for the app could be used for another website instead. The app doesn't seem to be utilized enough, and another website seems like it's needed from what they have been researching in the incorporation process. Chairperson Young agreed that there needs to be a separate website for the town, and he isn't thrilled about losing the app, but it does need improvement. Vice-Chair Burt asked Mr. Burt about the length of the contract for the app because once it ends those funds could be used for a basic website. Mr. Burt stated that the app is paid for and the reason for it was because the town had no means of getting information out to the residents. People were getting information off of Facebook and anybody could write things. The app was an official way of doing things, but he knows that it hasn't been maintained like it should be. Chairperson Young stated that it's a good idea to have the app, but it needs work. The app will do things the website can't do. Mr. Burt stated that even if they get rid of the app and have another website people will need to be notified that there is information on the website. The app has a notification tab, and it's clicked on, and people will see the notification without having to check anywhere else. Vice-Chair Burt commented that she thought another website would be easier because she knows Theresa takes care of the senior center, tourism, and the recreation center. This website is paid for by tourism funds, and the other website could be updated daily, and it would just be government only. Chairperson Young stated that they would need to figure out how the website could be updated daily or as needed. Mr. Burt stated that he would like the board to do some research on websites because they are pricey, sometimes there are issues like there were with Revize and the lawyers had to be involved, and it will need to be included in the budget. Vice-Chairperson Burt stated that it would be a basic website. Chairperson Young commented that he had ideas and Sylvia Arnold (Jackpot Admin) mentioned that she and Chairperson Young have been looking at other town's websites. He thinks that they can get it done fairly inexpensively and make it look good. Vice-Chair Burt commented that it would be maintained by the office personnel, and she asked Mrs. Arnold to research some information.

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC:

NON-ACTION ITEM

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Brent Fleshman (Jackpot Golf Course) asked about the letter regarding the time zone change for the town because it would be great. Shawn Burt (Jackpot Superintendent) stated that Amanda Osbourne (Elko County Manager) submitted the letter to the Department of Transportation in Washington DC. It can take six months to a year for a decision. Chairperson Young commented it would be easier to petition Washington for the time zone change than having everybody in the town on Pacific time. The town has been observing Mountain time for so long that it benefits the town to officially be on Mountain time. Mr. Fleshman mentioned that this was never an issue until people started relying on their phones and cars for the time which switch to Pacific as soon as they drive down the hill. Chairperson Young commented that people who search things in Jackpot are always late because the time listed is Pacific. Brandon Smith (Cactus Petes) mentioned that he appreciated that there was clarification on the Facebook posts because people were confused. He thanked the board for attending the Commissioners' meeting and having it voted on. Chairperson Young stated that since its government related it will be moving slowly. Gustavo Estrada (Public Works Lead) commented that Verizon and AT&T could be contacted since they control the service for the phones.

Chairperson Young stated that those companies can't make the change until it's officially changed.

ADJOURN
ACTION ITEM

Motion: Teresa Hugill motioned to adjourn, seconded by Monica Burt. Motion passed.

VOTE: Aye: Jeff Young
Teresa Hugill

Monica Burt
Nay:
Absent: Larry Lineberry
Monique Gollihar (Zoom)
Abstain:

Chairperson Young reminded everybody to unmute their phones, so they don't miss any calls.

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.