

KIMT – TV

Rochester TV License Company, LLC

Mason City, Iowa

Quarterly Report



First Quarter - 2024

January 1 – March 31, 2024

CURRENT QUARTERLY LISTING OF
PROBLEMS, NEEDS AND INTERESTS
January – February – March 2024
KIMT TV 3
Mason City, Iowa

1. Government
2. Education
3. Health
4. Economy
5. Climate Change
6. Community

DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT
OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

Program	Day	Time
KIMT News 3 Daybreak	Monday - Friday	4:30 –7:00am
KIMT News 3 Midday	Monday – Friday	12:00 – 12:30pm
KIMT News 3 First at 4:00	Monday – Friday	4:00 – 5:00pm
KIMT News 3 at 5:00	Monday – Friday	5:00 – 5:30pm
KIMT News 3 at 6:00	Monday - Saturday	6:00 – 6:30pm
KIMT News 3 at 10:00	Monday – Sunday	10:00 – 10:35pm
KIMT News 3 at 5:30	Sunday	5:30 – 6:00pm

KIMT – TV broadcasts local and national public service announcements of varying lengths throughout its broadcast schedule. Some of the announcements are part of campaigns pertaining to one subject.

US Farm Report Sunday – KIMT 5:00 – 6:00am Saturday at 9:00am - NIMT

A weekly program that provides commodity information, national and international on-location coverage of agricultural and agri-business events, weekly and monthly weather forecasts, and consumer reports.

60 Minutes Sunday 6:00 – 7:00pm

This is a CBS public affairs program that features investigative reporting on issues facing the American public. The program usually has three segments, each approximately fifteen minutes in length.

48 Hours Saturday 9:00 – 10:00pm

This program also aired at various other times.

This CBS public affairs program is an hour-long investigation of one current issue with a different topic each week. They look at one issue from many different angles.

Sunday Morning Sunday 8:00 – 9:30am

Produced by CBS News, this program presents news and current issue stories as well as human-interest features.

CBS Mornings Monday – Friday 7:00 – 9:00am

 Saturday 6:00 – 8:00am

This daily, two-hour CBS News Program features news, weather, issue-oriented stories, health tips and general interest items.

Face the Nation Sunday 9:30 – 10:30am

A weekly half-hour program discussing a spectrum of national and international issues in both government and business. Produced by CBS News, see attached report for details.

CBS Evening News Monday - Saturday 5:30 – 6:00pm

 Sunday 5:00 – 5:30pm

PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY

Versions of all stories – aired in various KIMT News programs.

Description of Issue	Program Segment	Date	Time	Duration	Narration of Type and Description of Program Segment
Government Climate Change	KIMT News 3 at 10	1/1/24	10:01pm	2:59	A climate change task force updates the Olmsted County Board of Commissioners. The task force will give the Board thirty-two actions it can take to mitigate its climate change impact.
Government Economy	KIMT News 3 at 10	1/2/24	10:02pm	2:45	Minnesota has a new red flag law that went into effect on January 1. The Olmsted County Sheriffs office shared their thoughts on the new law and how they have been preparing to implement the law.
Education Community	KIMT News 3 at 10	1/3/24	10:01pm	2:15	Rochester Public Schools presented their redesigned proposal on adjusting attendance boundaries. Parents have voiced their opposition to previous proposals. Adjustments were made after a ten-million-dollar donation from Mayo Clinic was received.
Government Climate	KIMT News 3 at 10	1/4/24	10:01pm	2:37	Rochester Mayor Kim Norton shared the vision for the community in 2024 including prioritizing climate change, parks n degrowing the city.

Government	KIMT News 3 at 10	1/5/24	10:01pm	1:53	Former President Donald Trump stopped in Mason City on a campaign stop.
Economy Government	KIMT News 3 at 10	1/9/24	10:01pm	2:05	The Rochester Tower Condominiums were evacuated in seven months ago after the city deemed the building to be structurally unsafe. We reviewed the plans submitted to the city on addressing the problem.
Government Community Health	KIMT News 3 at 6	1/11/24	6:04pm	2:00	Mental Health Advisory Council is looking or at least six new members to join their board. They look at what services are available and recommend changes to the County Board of Commissioners.
Community	KIMT News 3 at 6	1/16/24	6:00pm	1:30	A new area code is coming to Rochester - Callers will be required to dial the 10-digit phone number now – prior to the new area code taking affect later this year.
Government Community	KIMT News 3 at 6	1/17/24	6:00pm	1:40	The Rochester Police Department is working to add a community outreach program to improve relations with the city's homeless population. Final approval for the funding is coming from the City Council.
Health Economy	KIMT News 3 at 6	1/18/24	6:00pm	2:05	Health Care employees in Rochester are fighting for higher wages and gathered outside Mayo Hospital –

					<p>Methodist Campus to gain public support.</p> <p>Over 600 frontline – essential Mayo Clinic workers are asking the hospital to increase the minimum wage.</p>
Government	KIMT News 3 at 6	1/18/24	6:04pm	1:30	<p>Opposition against the new Minnesota state flag. Houston County Board of Commissioners unanimously approved a resolution rejecting the new flag. Local government officials are upset with the cost of changing the flag on clothing, badges, and squad cars. One department is looking at a bill of thirty-two thousand dollars for making the switch.</p>
Community Government	KIMT News 3 at 10	1/19/24	10:01pm	1:54	<p>Daycares in rural Minnesota have wait lists that continue to grow. U.S. Senator Klobuchar visited Hormel in Austin where the company is building a new childcare center for their workers to utilize. Hormel says they will cover the negative operating cost of the new center.</p>
Education	KIMT News 3 at 10	1/22/24	10:00pm	2:10	<p>Teachers and parents in Stewartville asked the school board to support higher pay in teachers' contracts.</p>

Education Community	KIMT News 3 at 10	1/23/24	10:01pm	2:31	Rochester School Board approved the final version of its' attendance options redesign proposal. The proposal has two elementary schools using the same building and changing attendance and transportation systems throughout the district.
Government	KIMT News 3 at 10	1/26/24	10:01pm	3:01	A new candidate for Rochester City Council for the Ward Six seat. This happened two days after current councilwoman Molly Dennis sued the City of Rochester, Mayor Norton and Council Member Patrick Keane for A-D-H-D discrimination. Both candidates shared their views on why they should receive your votes.
Education	KIMT News 3 at 10	1/30/24	10:01pm	2:40	Students and Teachers were forced to shelter in place at the Osage Community Schools after a social media threat. The threat was also made in Wayne County and a 14-year-old was taken into custody.
Health Economy	KIMT News 3 at 6	1/31/24	6:14pm	2:05	An informational picket was held at Mayo Clinic's Methodist campus where workers highlighted frontline workers shortages. Negotiations on a contract with a wage increase continues.
Economy	KIMT News 3 at 6	2/6/24	6:00pm	2:10	The financial impacts to Minnesota counties after a new state flag and seal was approved by the legislature.

					The State has now told counties that only the Recorder's Office and its' courtrooms are required to replace old flags and seals.
Education Government	2/7/24	KIMT News 3 at 6	6:00pm	1:40	Social Studies classes in Minnesota have new standards schools must follow that are designed to enhance learning in the classroom.
Government	2/8/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:05pm	3:50	Fillmore County Sheriff's Office shares why no arrests have been made in a car – Amish buggy fatal crash. Twin sisters have been charged with forty counts thus far.
Health Economy	2/12/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:06pm	2:05	Frontline workers at Mayo Clinic continue to fight for higher wages. They are asking for \$ 20.00 minimum wage. A six meeting will be held and if no agreement is reached – arbitration is the next step.
Education Government	2/13/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:01pm	2:07	A new Minnesota law bans native mascots from being used by public schools unless given special approval. Dakota Middle School in Rochester is known as the Bison and was denied an exemption by Minnesota's Tribal Nations Education Committee. Some parents think the change is ridiculous.

Health Government	2/14/24	KIMT News 3 at 6	6:00pm	2:17	Minnesota counties are grappling with the lack of mental health services available in rural areas. A forum held in Freeborn County shared the barriers include a lack of awareness of mental health, a lack of providers, and a lack of students choosing the career options in the mental health field.
Health Community	2/15/22	KIMT News 3 at 6	6:02pm	1:27	A proposed law requires hospitals 300 days in advance before closing a facility and will provide the public with more transparency.
Community	2/19/24	KIMT News 3 at 6	6:00pm	3:05	Two Burnsville police officers and a paramedic were shot and killed during a standoff. The Paramedic was a Rochester native. We talked with family and friends of Paramedic Adam Finseth.
Government Community	2/20/24	KIMT News 3 at 6	6:01pm	1:45	The Olmsted County Sheriff's Department is holding a community awareness night for parents in Stewartville. The meeting is for adults only – as speakers will not censor any of the content in an effort to be as truthful as possible about the difficult situations and choices kids face daily.
Health Community	2/20/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:04pm	2:21	A Stewartville Father who lost his son to a drug overdose shared his story with other parents.

Education Government	2/20/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:01pm	2:01	A Rochester Middle school will be able to use its mascot until 2025 after a new Minnesota law forces the district to make a change. The school worked with the American Indian Education program to increase student connections for indigenous students and incorporate more community events.
Education Government	2/21/24	KIMT News 3 at 6	6:03pm	1:45	A proposed law would ensure all students have free lunches while attending school in Iowa. Funding for the program would be added to the education budget.
Government Community	2/26/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:01pm	1:45	Rochester City Officials say the city is facing a housing crisis. They have two proposals to solve the crisis – change the city’s existing tax increment policy or develop a new tax abatement program to attract more contractors to build houses.
Government	2/27/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:07pm	1:47	A wrap-up of the Republican and Democrat caucuses in Minnesota. Besides voting for candidates – party platforms are discussed.
Education	2/28/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:08pm	1:43	The use of Artificial Intelligence in schools and how to monitor the usage. Teachers are using the technology to plan lessons, creating multiple choice exams and as a personal assistant.

Government Economy	2/29/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:01pm	2:24	Minnesota Republican lawmakers are concerned about the projected 3.7 billion dollar budget surplus and how it will be spent. DFL'ers are rejoicing – saying it can fund much needed initiatives across the state.
Community Government	3/1/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:04pm	2:35	Neighbors in Elma, Iowa are upset after a farmer refuses to keep up repairs of his fences. Neighbors say cattle are getting hit by vehicles and now the neighbors have permission to shoot the cattle that wander out of their property.
Government Community	3/2/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:04pm	1:45	A proposed trail system is facing push-back from neighbors who fear the sensitive natural area would be harmed with an increase of traffic.
Government	3/5/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:05pm	1:30	Rochester Police Department release their annual report on crime. They report that crime is down in most categories, versus the previous year.
Education	3/6/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:03pm	2:29	An alternative school in Rochester is expanding after five years. The social aspect of smaller class sizes, personalized lesson plans, and helping those with learning disabilities.

Government	3/7/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:04pm	1:25	A meeting of the Rochester Parks and Recreation Board was packed as discussion on a new trail continued. The Rochester Active Sports Club funded an environmental study to identify areas where the trail could be that would not impact the wetlands or decorah edge area.
Community Government	3/11/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:01pm	1:44	The Silver Lake Park plan includes updating the skate park, replacing the playground, adding a basketball court and replacing the current pool with a splash pad. Some public members want a pool included in the plan – but funding for the pool is not included in the current plan.
Government	3/12/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:03pm	2:11	Rochester Police department asking people to ride along with an office in hopes of recruiting more officer candidates. They get a behind the scenes look in the day of a patrol officer.
Community Government	3/13/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:02pm	2:50	The U.S. House of Representatives passed a bill to ban the popular app – Tik Tok. Local Tik Tok stars shared their perspective in using the app. There is concern that using the app is a national security concern.

Education Community	3/14/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:02pm	1:58	<p>Youth homelessness has Rochester Public Schools expanding their social worker team with a new position of Eviction prevention Specialist.</p> <p>They will help guide families through the legal process to avoid an eviction.</p>
Government Community	3/18/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:01pm	2:18	<p>The Rochester City Council is debating an ordinance that would ban camping on city and public property. The Homeless Encampment Ban ordinance would charge violators with a misdemeanor and a fine up to \$ 1,000.00. Violators would be given 48 hours' notice to move and be advised of shelter options.</p>
Health	3/19/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:03pm	2:11	<p>The Service Employees International Union Minnesota and Iowa held a ratification vote on a tentative agreement with Mayo Clinic. Members of the Union picketed Mayo in the past – especially over wages being paid to the members.</p>
Government Community	3/21/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:06pm	2:14	<p>Residents in a Rochester neighborhood were shocked when they received a letter from the City asking for money.</p> <p>The City is charging the residents for reconstruction of the street which would include updates to the sewer system.</p>

Government Community	3/25/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:01pm	1:48	The Rochester City Council is looking at options to keep the Silver Lake pool open for the summer as construction of new facilities currently have the pool not being rebuilt.
Government	3/26/24	KIMT News 3 at 10	10:02am	4:02	Minnesota Governor Tim Walz delivered his State of the State address. Issues included access to education, IVF and abortion services and gun safety. Walz is calling on lawmakers to fund programs for safely storing firearms, reporting lost and stolen guns and increasing criminal penalties for illegally buying firearms.