

KBAJ-FM

Issues Report- Q3

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<u>Issues</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Description</u>
<b>Government</b> Mayor Sale Adams was in the studio to talk about the agreement.	7-14-20	1:00	News Story	Story on the purchase and move of the Grand Rapids Fire Hall. Grand Rapids
<b>Safety</b>	7-15-20	1:00	News Story	Kelly Chandler gave us an update on the county's Covid rate.
<b>Business</b> about preventing infection	7-18-20	1:00	News Story	All three operating mines on the Iron Range are reporting cases of Covid. Story
<b>Recreation</b> between 6 and 19 years old.	7-20-20	1:00	News Story	Story about the halting of youth sports as Covid spreads among participants
<b>Hunger</b> to residents who need it. News story, public service announcements, and live ad-libs from announcers.	7-22-20	1:00	News Story	Local organization AEOA and the food bank were offering free packages of food
<b>Safety</b> county to allow it be built.	7-22-20	1:00	News Story	Story about the lack of a safety trail at Tioga Bike Trail and the reluctance of the
<b>Employment</b> Discussion with Senator Tina Smith about what can be done to keep it open.	8-2-20	1:00	News Story	Story about the closure of the Togo and Willow River Correction Facility.
<b>Safety</b> feeders and keeping trash secure.	8-15-20	1:00	News Story	News story about bear sightings in town. Talked with police about removing bird
<b>Recreation</b> idea of youth and Blandin Foundation made a substantial donation to make park accessible for everyone.	8-21-20	1:00	News Story	Story about a new community-driven park for youth in Ball Club. Park was the
<b>Cooperation</b> California and other western states.	8-25-20	1:00	News Story	News story about how our local firefighters are assisting fire fighting efforts in
<b>Economy</b> Commissioners approved a 10 year surface lease for property near a closed mining facility. Discussion of mine history.	9-1-20	1:00	News Story	News story about the reemergence of local mine property. County
<b>Safety</b>	9-2-20	1:00	News Story	Local judges have asked the county to consider their needs when building the

new jail. Justices spoke to the audience and commissioners about space and safety.

**Food Insecurity** 9-17-20 1:00 News Story Second Harvest Food Bank is offering a 17 pound box of produce free to those in need. News story, PSA, and announcers talked about the opportunity for free food for area residents.

**Health** 9-21 1:00 News Story October is National Falls Prevention Month. Story about balance, safety, and fall prevention.

**Local News Guests**

July

7-6-20	Sue Zeige	ISD 318 School Board member	District budget
7-6-20	Anna Lloyd	Special Services Dept ISD 318	District finances
7-8-20	Brett Skyles	Itasca County Administrator	County jail
7-8-20	Maddi Adam	Itasca County Attorney	County Jail
7-10-20	Julie Sandstede	State Representative Julie Sandstede	Legislature
7-10-20	Dr. Dan Soular	Family medicine physician	Covid
7-22-20	Burl Ives	Itasca County Commissioner	Bike trail
7-22-20	Maddi Adam	Itasca County Attorney	Bike trail
7-23-20	Blake Dehnke	Campus Administrator	The Emeralds
7-24-20	Dani Donner	Director of Senior Services, Bigfork Valley Communities	
7-24-20	Julie Sandstede	State Representative	Legislature
7-28-20	Tasha Connelly	Grand Rapids City Councilor	Safety
7-30-20	Vernon Manner	Chisholm Police Chief	Cold Case
7-31-20	Julie Sandstede	State Representative	Legislature
7-31-20	Mary Catherine Rikker	MN Education Commissioner	Back to school

August

8-5-20	Karen Grandia	Itasca County Engineer	Bridge #421
8-5-20	Maddi Adam	Itasca County Attorney	Bridge #421
8-5-21	Tamara Lowmy	IEDC	Local Covid
8-6-20	Davin tinquist	Itasca Co. Commissioner Davin Tinquist	Togo Jail
8-6-20	David Pace	ISD 316 Superintendent David Pace	Covid School
8-6-20	Matt Gross	ISD 318 Superintendent Matt Gross	Covid School

8-7-20	Scott Johnson	Grand Rapids Police Chief	
8-13-20	Travis Cole	GR Fire Chief Travis Cole	Downtown Fire
8-13-20	Polly Podpeskar	Food and Nutrition for ISD 318	Summer Food
8-14-20	Greg Hagy	Cohasset Mayor	Cohasset Elementary School
8-20-20	Kent Korbitz	ICS	Project Manager Elementary Build
8-20-20	Pat Medure	ISD 318 School Board Chair	School building
8-20-20	Tom McBride	Volunteer	Running the Rapids Fundraiser
8-22-20	Sgt. Bob Stein	Grand Rapids Police Investigator	Safety
8-22-20	Deam DeBeltz	Twin Metals	Project
8-22-20	Steve Piragis	Twin Metals	Project

September

9-1-20	Tom Pagel	Grand Rapids City Administrator	Firehall
9-2-20	Terry Snyder	It. Co. Commissioner	Jail Project
9-2-20	Larry Sutherland	Prairie River Minerals	Mining
9-2-20	Corey Cease	It. Co. Land Department	Mining Project
9-3-20	Kelly Chandler	It. Co. Public Health	Covid
9-4-20	Kelly Chandler	It. Co. Public Health	Covid
9-11-20	Anna Antilla	It. Co. Emergency Coordinator	Covid
9-11-20	Mary Catherine Ricker	Education Commissioner	Schools working with Covid
9-11-20	Kim Geislinger	Ross Resources	Schools Absenteeism
9-18-20	Kelly Chandler	It. Co. Public Health	Covid
9-21-20	Kelly Chandler	It. Co. Public Health	Covid
9-22-20	Matt Gross	ISD 318 Superintendent	Schools working with Covid
9-22-20	Kelly Chandler	It. Co. Health Department Manager	Covid
9-24-20	Jeff Walker	It. Co. Auditor Treasurer	Property Taxes W/Covid
9-24-20	Kelly Chandler	It. Co. Public Health Division Manager	Covid
9-24-20	Kate Legner	Superior/Chippewa National Forest spokesperson	Fire Supression
9-29-20	Tasha Connely	Grand Rapids City Council	Firehall Project

**Public Service Announcements**  
**Broadcast on KOZY-AM, KMFY-FM, and KBAJ-FM**  
**Between 7-1-20 and 9-30-20**

**KILL 07-09-20**

The Itasca County Public Health Department will be holding an immunization clinic for kids and adults this Thursday July 9th from 2-6pm. The clinic will be held at the Itasca Resource Center, located at 1209 SE 2nd Ave in Grand Rapids. There is a \$20 administration fee per vaccine but no one will be turned away for an inability to pay. To schedule your appointment please call 327-2941 and ask for public health.

**KILL 07-26-20**

The 7th annual Veteran's Ride for the Homeless will be Sunday July 26th. The ride is to raise awareness and educate the public about the growing homeless population in Itasca County and is a fundraising event to benefit the Grace House of Itasca County, the only shelter in the county. Registration for the ride starts at 11am at The Deer River Vets Club, which will be the starting location. Registration is \$20, the ride starts at Noon and will end approximately at 4pm at Lawrence Lake Liquor on Scenic HWY 7 in Bovey. For more information call 326-2790

**KILL 07-09-20**

There will be Free produce distribution for those in need on Thursday July 9th. There will be two giveaways that day. The first will be at 230pm at the Marble Elementary School on the North side in the alley, and the other will be at 3:00pm at the Greenway School District Parking lot, which is located at Clemson Avenue behind the police station/city hall building. First come first serve.

**KILL 07-07-20**

On Tuesday July 7th, in partnership with the Grand Rapids Area Library, the Reif Center will be hosting a free movie night for the community. The movie will be "Over the Limit", a film that presents an intimate portrait of the world's most outstanding rhythmic gymnast Margarita Mamun who overcomes mental fragility to participate in the Olympic Games. The movie will be presented indoors in the Wilcox Theater. Social distancing is required. Seats are limited to 176 people; no ticket is required. The film starts at 7pm. With questions call the Reif Center 327-5780

**KILL 07-31-2020**

Memorial Blood Centers will be holding a blood drive on Friday, July 31st from 10 AM to 3 PM at Saint Joseph's Catholic Church in Grand Rapids. If you're in good health and would like to donate, please call 326-3151.

KILL 07-25-2020

You're invited to a Community Car Show. Enjoy outdoor music, food and a beer garden. No entry fee. The Car Show is Saturday, July 25th from 11 AM to 4 PM at the Moose Lodge in Grand Rapids.

KILL 07-30-2020

United Way of 1,000 Lakes is continuing their Days of Action. Volunteers get together to make improvements to downtown Coleraine. Activities so far have included painting fresh parking lines, cleaning and landscaping. The next Day of Action is Thursday, July 30th. Social distancing, masks and gloves are required. For more information, please call 999-7570.

KILL 08-06-2020

Itasca County Public Health is offering their monthly immunization clinic for children and adults on Thursday, August 6th from 2 to 6 at the Itasca Resource Center, Southeast 2nd Avenue in Grand Rapids. There is a 20-dollar administration fee per vaccine, but nobody will be turned away for inability to pay. To make an appointment, please contact Itasca County Public Health (327-2941).

Kill 9-1

Second Harvest North Central food bank is asking for volunteers. Because of unemployment, under-employment, and other issues, more people are counting on the food bank than ever before. Volunteers should be under 65 years old and healthy. The food bank has two daily shifts, packing boxes and loading produce. The hope is that small groups of friends or co-workers can volunteer consistently. That might mean one shift a week, or every other week. If you and your friends would like to sign up, please visit the food bank's web site at [secondharvestncfb.org](http://secondharvestncfb.org).

KILL 7-31-2020

The American Red Cross will be holding a blood drive this Friday from 9 AM to 3 PM at the IRA Civic Center in Grand Rapids. If you're healthy and would like to make an appointment, visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org).

KILL 8-10-2020

You're invited to a community picnic. Enjoy outdoor fun, bouncy houses, a youth run, water games and face painting. The free picnic is Monday, August 10th from 5 to 7 PM at the YMCA in Grand Rapids. The picnic is organized by the Itasca Area Schools Collaborative and the YMCA.

KILL 08-13-2020

United Way of 1,000 Lakes is continuing their Days of Action. Volunteers get together to make improvements to downtown Coleraine. Activities so far have included painting fresh parking lines, cleaning and landscaping. The next Day of Action is Thursday, August 13th. Social distancing, masks and gloves are required. For more information, please call 999-7570.

KILL 8-20-20

Defensive Driving Refresher Courses are being offered virtually by Zoom. Classroom courses are on hold. Early registration is required. The next course will be Thursday, August 20th from 9 AM to 1 PM. The course is 14 dollars. To register, please call 750-3189.

KILL 9-4-2020

United Way of 1,000 Lakes and local organizations are offering Summer Meal Meet-ups. Anyone under the age of 18 can pick up nutritious meals. No sign-up required. Parents, guardians or siblings can pick up meals for kids who cannot pick up their food. Meals are available at the Cohasset Community Center Mondays and Wednesdays and at the Hill City Assembly of God Church Tuesdays and Thursdays. Pick-up times are noon to 1 at both locations.

KILL 8-27-20

United Way of 1,000 Lakes is continuing their Days of Action. Volunteers get together to make improvements to downtown Coleraine. Activities so far have included painting fresh parking lines, cleaning and landscaping. The next Day of Action is Thursday, August 27th. Social distancing, masks and gloves are required. For more information, please call 999-7570.

KILL 8-29-20

There's an event coming up called Girls Getting Dirty for ALS, an ATV or UTV ride. There will also be a picnic lunch, silent auction and music. The ride is Saturday, August 29th. Registration starts at 8 AM in the Little Moose Trail parking lot, just off Scenic Highway 7 on County Road 337. The ride leaves at 10 AM. The cost is 30 dollars per machine and 10 dollars for each passenger. Proceeds benefit those battling ALS. For more information, call 398 – 0924.

KILL 9-15-20

Aitkin County CARES for Business Grants are now available. Aitkin County businesses that have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic are eligible to apply. Grants are given to reimburse for COVID related expenses. The maximum grant is ten thousand dollars, and the minimum is one thousand dollars. In total, five hundred thousand dollars in grants is available. Grants are accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Grant forms are available on the Aitkin County website.

KILL 8-25-20

Defensive Driving Refresher Courses are being offered virtually by Zoom. Classroom courses are on hold. Early registration is required. The next course will be Tuesday, August 25th from 9 AM to 1 PM. The course is 14 dollars. To register, please call 750-3189.

KILL 9-3-2020

The American Red Cross will be holding a blood drive on Thursday, September 3rd from 8 AM to 2 PM at the First Evangelical Lutheran Church in Grand Rapids. If you're healthy and would like to donate blood, visit red cross blood dot org.

KILL 9-10-2020

United Way of 1,000 Lakes is hosting a blood drive this Thursday from 9 AM to 4 PM at the Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation in downtown Grand Rapids. Thursday's donors who are 21 or older will receive a voucher for a free drink from Klockow Brewing in Grand

Rapids. To sign up to donate, visit [volunteer.uwlakes.org](http://volunteer.uwlakes.org) or call 999-7570.

KILL 09-03-2020

Itasca County Public Health is offering their monthly immunization clinic for children and adults on Thursday, September 3rd from 2 to 6 at the Itasca Resource Center, Southeast 2nd Avenue in Grand Rapids. There is a 20-dollar administration fee per vaccine, but nobody will be turned away for inability to pay. To make an appointment, please contact Itasca County Public Health (327-2941).

KILL 9-12-2020

The Northern Lakes Coin and Currency Club invites you to their 11th annual fall show. Buy and sell coins, currency and collecting supplies. Sell your scrap gold and old jewelry. Free appraisals for up to 2 items. The show is Saturday, September 12th from 10 AM to 4 PM at the Timberlake Lodge in Grand Rapids. Free admission. Collectors and non-collectors are welcome.

KILL 10-6-20

Defensive Driving Refresher Courses are being offered virtually by Zoom. Classroom courses are on hold. Early registration is required. The next course will be Tuesday, October 6th from 5 to 9 PM. The course is 14 dollars. To register, please call 750-3189.

KILL 10-10-20

You're invited to a benefit for Melinda Wourms-Jensen and her family. Melinda is facing health challenges and rising medical expenses. The fundraiser will feature live music, a bean bag tournament, silent auction, an outdoor bar and a 10-dollar pork sandwich meal. The benefit will be held outdoors on Saturday, October 10th from 2 to 9 PM at the Pickled Loon Saloon, Highway 169 South, Grand Rapids.

KILL 9-23-20

You're invited to get a free COVID-19 test. No insurance needed, and you don't have to have symptoms to be tested. The drive-thru testing event is Wednesday, September 23rd from 10 AM to 6 PM at the Itasca County Fairgrounds in Grand Rapids. To keep wait times short, please register at [primary bio dot com slash r slash Itasca](http://primary.bio dot com slash r slash Itasca).

KILL 10-3-20

United Way has launched its Stronger United campaign with a virtual run. The run is lumberjack-themed and includes a 5K and a mile-long option. United Way has marked its usual route through downtown Grand Rapids, but runners can choose any route. Participants have through October 3rd to complete their run. Proceeds benefit United Way's Community Investment Grantmaking process. For more information and to sign up, visit [uw lakes dot org](http://uw lakes dot org).

KILL 9-25-20

National Falls Prevention Week is September 21st through the 25th. This year's Cass County Falls Prevention Fair is going virtual. The

Falls Prevention Taskforce is offering information throughout this month. Topics include fall hazards, home safety, balance, physical activity and vision. Play the Falls Prevention Bingo Game for a chance to win a prize. For more information, visit the Cass County website and click “Live Healthy” on the left side of the screen.

#### KILL TFN

The Grand Rapids Players invite you to “The Actor’s Entrance,” free scene and monologue workshops. These are designed for actors of all levels of experience to come and polish their skills and work on their craft. The workshops are held every Tuesday night from 7 to 9 PM at the Reif Center in Grand Rapids. Bring your own mask, and all other COVID-19 health measures also apply.