

Issues Program List

KLYQ (Hamilton, MT); KGVO (Missoula, MT); KMPT (East Missoula, MT); KAMM-FM (Frenchtown, MT)

KYSS-FM (Missoula MT); KENR-FM (Superior MT); (KBAZ-FM, Hamilton, MT)

April 1, 2022 – June 30, 2022

SECTION 1. ISSUES

The above stations have identified the following as some of the more significant community issues addressed by this station for the quarter specified. This listing is by no means complete, nor is the order in which these issues appear intended to imply any degree of priority or significance of the issue.

A. Education. After the COVID-19 pandemic impacted Missoula Public Schools, community members decided to run for the Missoula School Board to make changes they deemed necessary. A professor shared his expertise on forestry as well.

B. Local Government. We covered the usual topics of government, but also focused on communication as a whole. The City of Missoula is working hard to engage the community. Two new programs were implemented to help local law enforcement.

C. Law Enforcement. Crime has so many topics, and we try to check on them all. Drugs are again a top law enforcement priority. We also focused on mass shooting statistics after the tragedy that occurred in Texas. We also spoke with a local judge about his reelection bid.

D. Drug Crisis. The current drug problem in Montana and said MHP fentanyl seizures in 2022 have already surpassed 2021 totals.

SECTION II. RESPONSIVE PROGRAMS

“Community Viewpoint” is a 28-minute locally-produced program that airs weekly on each station at the following times: Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. on KLYQ and KGVO. Sundays at 6 a.m. on KMPT, KAMM-FM, KYSS-FM and KBAZ-FM.

DATE AIRED	DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE
4/03/22 4/04/22	Local Government, Communication – On our regularly scheduled City Talk program, Jil Dunn, a long-time Missoula Redevelopment Agency staff member who works as Business/Projects Manager and Ginny Merriam, the communications director for the city of Missoula joined us. Jil was a major shepherd of a communications study of the MRA conducted for the city by the Missoula communications strategy firm Six Pony Hitch last year. We talked about why tax increment financing is so hard for people to understand and their new interactive map as well.

4/10/22 4/11/22	Law Enforcement, Public Safety, Gun Rights - Dr. John Lott, President of the Crime Prevention Research Center. They are dedicated to conducting academic quality research on the relationship between laws regulating the ownership or use of guns, crime, and public safety. He answered several questions from callers about gun rights and provided some statistics about mass shooting.
4/17/22 4/18/22	Law Enforcement, Drug Crisis - Montana Attorney General Austin Knudsen talked about joining a lawsuit to keep Title 42 restrictions in place, the federal mask mandate extension, and his opposition to what he refers to as Biden's latest attack on gun rights. He also talked about Montana's MVD raising more than \$5.5 million for Montana non-profits. He also discussed the current drug problem in Montana and said MHP fentanyl seizures in 2022 have already surpassed 2021 totals.
4/24/22 4/25/22	Education, Election – Missoula School Board Candidates: Jill Taber and Taylor Ramos are running for the Missoula County School Board of Trustees. Both candidates talked about what inspired them to run. If they are elected to the board, how would they facilitate the relationship between the board and community. They also shared their respective goals for the school board.
5/1/22 5/2/22	Local Government, Communication, Law Enforcement - John Petroff is the Mobile Support Team Operations Manager. Before taking on that role, he was a Missoula Fire Department firefighter and EMT for 14 years. John talked about the success of the program, how it works on the ground, what the results have been. Theresa Williams is the Crisis Intervention Team program manager, which is housed at the Missoula Police Department. She has been with the City since 2017. She has worked in behavioral health and homelessness for nearly 20 years.
5/08/22 5/09/22	Local Government – David Herbst is the State Director for the Montana chapter of Americans for Prosperity, the state's largest free-market grassroots advocacy group. An innovative leader, David has spent his career organizing grassroots activists to promote economic freedom in Montana. Most recently, Herbst worked to develop the sophisticated field programs to deliver U.S. Senator Steve Daines and Congressman Ryan Zinke their historic wins.
5/15/22 5/16/22	Law Enforcement, Court – Missoula Justice of the Peace Alex Beal answer questions from listeners about his bid for reelection to a second four-year term. Beal discussed the tumultuous condition of the Justice Court system when he was elected four years ago and his efforts to 'right the ship' with fellow Justice of the Peace Landee Holloway.
5/22/22 5/23/22	History - Tim Barton, President of Wallbuilders. Wallbuilders specialty is to share information from their thousands of original documents from Founding Fathers and other important American historical figures about how their faith, the Bible and Christianity influenced them and helped shape America. Tim and his father David have a book titled "The American Story - The Beginnings".

<p>5/29/22</p> <p>5/30/22</p>	<p>History – Memorial Day in Missoula: Susan Campbell Reneau went over the events that were set to take place. Our first service was a quiet one at Western Montana State Veterans Cemetery at 7 a.m. to honor those in uniform that died AFTER serving in the military honorably and committed suicide. We placed a red, white, and blue bucket of live flowers at the base of the flags flying at half-mast. Active-duty Army personnel were there along with members of the VFW Post 209 Honor Guard. Vet Center Director Anton Johnson, who is also the commander of the VFW Post 209 and an Iraq War Army veteran, gave some short remarks. Taps were played by an Iraq War veteran who was in the Navy.</p>
<p>6/05/22</p> <p>6/06/22</p>	<p>Local Government, Communication – Our topic for this week’s City Talk was How Development Happens. Our guest was Eran Pehan, director of Community Planning, Development and Innovation at the City. Here are some questions that were addressed: How does development happen in Missoula, in particular housing development? What is the City’s role in a developer’s proposal? How much say does the Missoula City Council have? What is the decision space? Why can’t the City “just say no” to a proposed project, as many Missoula residents ask?</p> <p>Why is development so contentious? Why are all the news stories about people fighting about traffic congestion, fire danger, quality of life?</p>
<p>6/12/22</p> <p>6/13/22</p>	<p>Local Government, future bond - With the Glacier Ice Rink in use from 5:30am to 12:30am seven days a week in a building they share with the 4-H and FFA for their activities, plans are being made to ask the Missoula County Community for a new facility on the Missoula County Fairgrounds. Appearing on the show were Clarence Wildeboer, along with Jon Turner and his son Gus to talk about the project that was originally intended to be presented two years ago. "We're coming back to the table with what will be a \$19 million investment in the community, on the county fairgrounds campus for some additional green space on the fairgrounds for that unique livestock building, and a third sheet of ice."</p>
<p>6/19/22</p> <p>6/20/22</p>	<p>Education, Forestry – Peter Kolb is a forestry specialist with the University of Montana and Montana State extension forestry. For the past 23 years he has studied forest ecosystem function and dynamics with specific interest in the role of disturbance processes across Idaho and Montana. During the past 10 years he has worked extensively with private forest landowners and managers on forest assessment and management plan development, silvicultural alternatives, wildfire hazard reduction, and post-wildfire rehabilitation. He answered several questions from callers.</p>
<p>6/26/22</p> <p>6/27/22</p>	<p>Local Government, Communication – Ashley Brittner Wells is the new engagement specialist for Community Planning, Development and Innovation. She explained the difference between how the City of Missoula have viewed communication and their move toward engagement, which is quite different. Here are some questions we answered: What is code reform? Why do we need to reform our codes</p>

	pertaining to building new homes and businesses? Why should the average person care about code reform? Ashley's job for the next two and a half years is to engage people in the zoning code rewrite.
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