#### **ISSUE & PROGRAM LIST**

# QUARTERLY ISSUES & PROGRAMS LIST FOR STATION KSEN AM & KZIN FM

#### JULY 1-SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

#### **SECTION I. Issues**

KSEN/KZIN have identified the following issues and significant issues facing our community in this quarter

- A. **City Updates:** Council meetings are the topics that are always of concern to our local community.
- B. Legislative Update: Our local representatives update what is going on with the borders.
- C. **Toole County Update:** From to county taxes to local issues, our community has received local updates.
- D. **Community Needs:** This is a topic that can be broken down into two groups. Local residents who are in need of assistance from medical needs to emotional support and local residents who find it important to assist those in needs and events to make the communities stronger.
- E. **Agricultural Concerns:** Drought and shortage of hay and the issues with lack of food and support needed for cattle.

## **SECTION II: Responsive Programs**

"This, That, and the Other" (T.T.O.) is a locally produced program that features 15-minute segments on the above issues as detailed below.

#### 7/6/2022 9:05 AM COMMUNITY MEMBER

**Community Needs.** KSEN conducted a live interview with Tony Hershey promoting a car show in Fairfield where Swim Days would be celebrated. Tony said that all the entry fees for the car show would be donated to Swimming activities including providing daily swimming tickets for kids who could not afford them.

# **7/7/2022 9:05 AM COMMUNITY MEMBER**

**Community Needs.** Our guest for This, That & the Other was Pam Marsh of Conrad. Pam was promoting the All-City Rummage sale coming up in Conrad. Pam is a business owner who promoted the sale to bring shoppers to Conrad and to her store "The Closet consignment." She let us know that she would have a full list of the rummage sale sites at her store downtown. They have been doing the rummage sale there about 16 years now.

#### 7/11/2022 9:05 AM MAYOR

**City of Shelby Update.** Shelby's Mayor Gary McDermott talked to Mark about what has been going on in Shelby and what is yet to come. The council meeting would be going through the general need assessment. The assessment is where the community can come together to say what they think needs to be done in the town of Shelby. Summer road work continues.

### **7/12/2022 9:05 AM COMMUNITY MEMBERS**

**Community Needs.** Our guests Cody Secomb and Kortney Combs were in to promote the first ever Brady Western Days taking place on Friday and Saturday July 15-16. The town will have a bbq, games and fundraisers to help raise money to go towards a playground for the park and make a donation to the fire department for new equipment in Brady.

## 7/22/2022 9:05 AM GOVERNOR

**Legislature Update.** We had a live local interview with Mt. Governor Greg Gianforte during our 8am news segment. The Gov. especially focused on creating more affordable housing in the state. He had just set up an extensive task force to study the issue. The housing supply, he said, was not keeping up with the demand and of course that means the cost continues to go up, coupled with supply issues. The Governor noted that 25-percent of the cost of a new home is regulation. There is also the need for more trade people which his apprenticeship program is providing. There have been over 500 apprenticeship positions created in the first half of the year and more than 40 new employers who are taking on the apprentices.

## 7/28/2022 9:05 AM ALLIANCE FOR YOUTH

**Community Needs.** Our guest for This, That & the Other was Mary Miller with The Alliance for Youth. Mary told us about a school supply distribution that was coming up in Shelby and Sunburst. All the supplies are donated by Alliance for Youth and numerous private sponsors. The supplies are distributed based on need, not income and all youth who get the supplies must sign a pledge to remain, alcohol, tobacco and drug free during the school year.

#### 8/1/2022 9:05 AM MAYOR

City of Shelby Update. Our guest for This, That & the Other was Shelby Mayor Gary McDermott to discuss the Shelby City Council's agenda for their first meeting of the month. The mayor discussed several paving projects that were underway in the city. For example, the heavily traveled 5<sup>th</sup> St. So road, leading to the Frontage Rd. was being paved. The Mayor also discussed a housing project that was planned for the north side of town had basically been dismissed but now a local investor had found a partner and while the project was scaled back slightly it did appear that it would move forward. Demolition of the former Bitterroot school was still in the Cities plans and they still have plans for building a low income home.

#### **8/4/2022 9:05 AM COMMUNITY MEMBER**

Community Needs. Our guest for This, That & the Other was Tiffany Uylaki who coordinated a Dunk Tank, fundraising event at the 4-County Marias Fair. Tiffany reported that the effort was a huge success as they raised \$2000.00 for Hi-Line Help for Abused Spouses and Camp Health Rocks an event sponsored by the Alliance for at-risk youth in Toole County. Each organization will receive \$1,000 and it was desperately needed. The camp hosts between 20 & 30 at-risk youths where they learn about drug-alcohol abuse and more and recreate with fishing, canoeing and more. Hi-line Help provides immediate relief for victims of spousal abuse including financial, housing and more. Uylaki also rounded up numerous sponsors for several raffles at the Dunk Tank.

### 8/11/2022 9:05 AM GOVERNOR

**Legislature Update.** Our guest for a live interview during our morning news, "Viewing Mt." was Mt. Governor Greg Gianforte. The Governor explained how Mt. had taken an aggressive approach on all fires on state-owned lands and in 2021, 95% of fires were held to under 10-acres. He also talked about the state's apprenticeship program. In one instance, rules were changed so that a journeyman plumber could have two apprentices as opposed to 2-journemen with one apprentice. The business went from 35 apprenticeships to over 200. In homebuilding the governor said the state modified rules allowing local municipalities review water-sewer designs with a local engineer as opposed to then having a state engineer come in and review the whole process again.

#### 8/12/2022 9:05 AM COMMUNITY MEMBER

Community Needs. Our guest today was Roy Nolkamper with the Cut Bank Moose Lodge. Roy was involved for years in northcentral Montana's energy sector, & was in our studios to promote Cut Bank's Montana Fun Weekend, scheduled the weekend of 8/20, through 8/22. The fun weekend's an annual event hosted at the Cut Bank International Airport that includes aircraft fly-ins, a car show, bike show, 1/8 mile drag races & food venders. Roy gave our listeners a complete rundown of all the weekend's events, times & even lodging & other services that would be available.

#### **8/29/2022 9:05 AM TOOLE COUNTY UPDATE**

**Toole County Update.** Our guest was Toole County Commissioner Terry Tomscheck. He explained that commissioners had been working on budgets for about the past month and the budget looks good as department heads have done a great job submitting them. The County Road Department was busy mowing ditches and spreading crushed gravel and working on grant projects.

#### 8/31/2022 9:05 AM MONTANA LIVESTOCK ASSOC

**Agricultural Concerns.** Local MT Livestock representative Dean Lerum was our guest to talk about a cattle nutrition conference scheduled for September. Cattle nutrition continues to be a topic due to drought and a resulting shortage of hay and grass to feed cattle. Lerum explained that some ranchers may have to start eliminating cattle for lack of feed. Attendance is limited so please get signed up.

### 9/6/2022 9:05 AM MAYOR

**City of Shelby Update.** Shelby Mayor Gary McDermott was our guest explaining City issues that the Council would be addressing. He addressed the current paving projects in Shelby. Also the local grants that have brought about improvements for the local parks and walking trail.

### **9/7/2022 9:05 AM COMMUNITY MEMBER**

**Community Needs.** Linda O'Brien, joined us from the Pondera Healthcare Foundation in Conrad, with details on the foundation's annual fundraiser on Saturday, 9/24. The foundation's a federally recognized non-profit promoting good health in our coverage area.

## 9/9/2022 9:05 AM GOVERNOR

Legislature Update We were joined for a live interview with Mt. Governor Greg Gianforte. The Governor provided an update on wildfires in Mt. telling us that the state, when they see fire starts, they are attacking them full force and putting them out. He said it's been effective as 90-percent of the state's fires have been kept at 10 acres or less. He also relayed that in conversations with the chief of the U-S Forest Service has assured him they do not have a "let it burn" policy even though they might just monitor fires that start in the wilderness that are not accessible. Governor Gianforte also credited the state's apprenticeship program in which 700 new apprenticeships had been added this year mainly because rules were changed to allow 2 apprenticeships for every journeyman as opposed to just the opposite previously.

#### 9/14/2022 9:05 AM COMMUNITY MEMBER

**Community Needs.** Ben Wambacher, from Teton Antique Steam & Gas Threshing Association, was our guest to promote the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Threshing Bee & Bazaar 2022, the weekend of September 16<sup>th</sup>, in Choteau. The Teton County Threshing Bee is educating the young and rekindling the old is the inspiration of this event. This event is educational and promotes family activities will help the community.

#### 9/15/2022 9:05 AM COMMUNITY MEMBERS

**Community Needs.** Our guest on This, That & the Other were two of the band leaders that would be playing at the Harvest Festival in Chester. The first being Cole Kleinert of Sunburst and the band the Slow Rollers. Cole said the band had been very busy with bookings throughout the summer and that there music is Americana with songs like "the Hills, referring to the Sweetgrass Hills and his own families land.

# **9/22/2022 9:05 AM COMMUNITY MEMBERS**

Community Needs. Our guests for This, That & the other included the "Lucky Valentine's, a husband and wife duo from the local area who would be playing at the Harvest Festival in Chester. Shaun & Jamie are married and they tell us that it was the music that brought them together. They write their own songs and pretty much stick to their own songs when they perform. Two of those songs, "Horses and "Swallowed," were both semi-finalists in the international songwriting competition in 2020 and 2021. They have been playing together since 2009. We also talked with Peyton Cole, the festival coordinator who said she really wanted to bring that local flare and talent from the musicians. She had lined up 4 local groups to perform along with a full day-long schedule of activities for this year's event.

# 9/23/2022 9:05 AM TOOLE COUNTY UPDATE

Toole County Update. Our guest for This, That & the other was Toole County Commissioner Mary Ann Harwood. Mary Ann gave us an update on numerous issues including the just-approved Toole County budget. She said the County is doing well but there was a drop of 549-dollars in the value of a mill. She reported the total value of a mill was just under 21-thousand dollars and that the County did not levy the maximum amount of mills that they could have. In regards to the death of Toole County Commissioner Don Hartwell earlier in the year, the Republican Central Committee nominated Terry Kimmet of Sunburst to replace and Kimmet then filed to fill the unexpired 2-year term. There were no Democratic nominations. Harwood told us that the new airport weather system, allowing larger planes to land in Shelby was scheduled to be installed in the next two weeks.