KINROSS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
October 19, 2026
7:00PM

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF AGENDA- October 19

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES- October 5

CONSENT AGENDA
- PAY BILLS
- REPORTS/CORRESPONDANCE
  - Air Force Base Remedial Investigation
  - 2% Increase

SUPERVISOR REPORT

PUBLIC COMMENT (Limited to 3 minutes per person)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- MDARD Grant- Performance Report
- Neighbor Hood Watch

NEW BUSINESS
- Nick Cicco Resignation
- Northern EMS Shortfall
- Rec Center Floor Quote
- Timber Sale Agreement
- Date Center Moratorium
- Land Division Ordiance Update
- Hire Jarrod Noris Zoning Administrator

PUBLIC COMMENT (Limited to 3 minutes per person)

Guest(s)

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT(Time)

KINROSS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING

October 5, 2026 **4884 W. Curtis St.**

MEMBERS PRESENT
Mark Rice, Supervisor
Loretta Robinson, Clerk
Cierra MacDonald, Treasurer
Sarah Pierson, Trustee

MEMBERS ABSENT
Caleb Rader, Trustee
Rob Mills, Trustee
Matthew Besteman, Trustee

Also, Shannon Dotson, Joe Micolo, Jeannie Masterson and 6 others were present.

Supervisor Rice called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#1 MOVED: by Loretta Robinson second by Cierra MacDonald to accept the October 5 agenda. Motion carried.

#2 MOVED: by Cierra MacDonald second by Sarah Pierson to accept the September 21 Regular meeting minutes. Motion carried.

#3 MOVED: by Loretta Robinson second by Cierra MacDonald to accept the consent agenda. Motion carried. The consent agenda is accepted as follows: Golf report, Investment Report and pay the bills.

General Fund	12,146.91
Fire Fund	543.00
Police Fund	6,669.80
Recreation Center Fund	4,459.91
Ambulance Fund	111.35
Property Management Fund	3,468.04
Parks Fund	238.25
Fairgrounds Fund	680.02
Golf Course Fund	11,626.20
Sewer Fund	28,372.67
Water	8,142.96

Ck#61308-61363 Grand Total $76,459.11 Motion carried.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

- I met with the lawyer; she will be preparing the fair board lease. We will get it completed before the 1st of the year.
- Firehall cabinets and floors will be worked on tomorrow. Most doors, and windows are hung. We are waiting on the gas line hoopla to be settled. The generator is there and we are very close to being completed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

#4 MOVED: by Mark Rice, second by Loretta Robinson, to sign the form for Denise Brumet regarding health insurance. Motion carried.

Mark Rice met with Soils and Structure and we completed interviews with Several firms.

#5 MOVED: by Mark Rice, second by Loretta Robinson, to Award the site survey hire RW Laitinene Professions for $6,250.00. Motion carried.

#6 MOVED: by Mark Rice, second by Cierra MacDonald to award Soils and Structure for geotechnical for $21,825.00. Motion carried.

#7 MOVED: by Mark Rice, second by Loretta Robinson, to award ROW for the architectural concept and preliminary design for $49,900.0 . Motion carried.

Neighbor Hood watch meeting will have a follow up meeting on October 22nd at 7:00 p.m. They have designated Doug Oxford and Linda Schmalz as backup.

#8 MOVED: by Loretta Robinson second by Cierra MacDonald to accept the police board recommendation to have Mark Wilk outfit the new patrol car for the amount of $5,492.60. Motion carried.

#9 MOVED: by Loretta Robinson second by Cierra MacDonald to increase the start wage of office manager to $20.50 and adding HR Responsibilities. Motion carried.

#10 MOVED: by Mark Rice second by Loretta Robinson to hire Kayla Brown as Office Manager. Motion carried.

#11 MOVED: by Sarah Pierson second by Loretta Robinson to add Tyler BeeBe as Info User for all accounts at Soo Coop Credit Union. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Along Cedar Grove and Kincheloe by the gas station there is a meter on a post that doesn't work.
- Fall Fest is this Saturday. The school house will have a blacksmith again this year, and we will have live music and around 12-15 vendors.

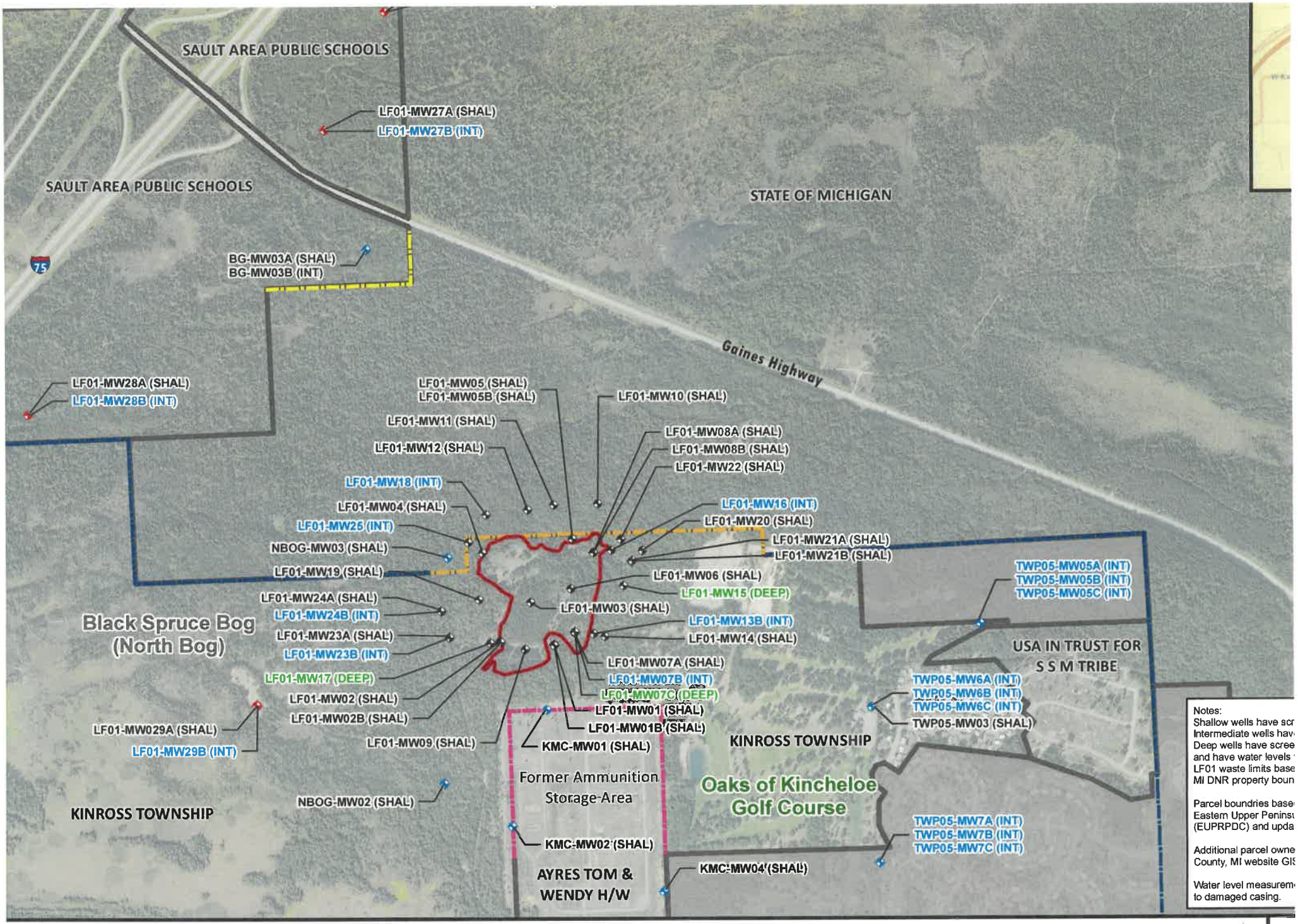
BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- Absentee Ballots have been mailed out.
- Don't forget to figure out a wage scale for the Office Manager as it is not a union position.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 PM.

Loretta Robinson, Clerk

Mark Rice, Supervisor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Former Kincheloe Air Force Base, Landfill 01 (KAFB LF01)
Remedial Investigation (RI) Addendum
Q7 (October 2026) Water Level Gauging and Sampling List

Well ID	Hydrostratigraphic Unit	Well Status	Gradient Location Relative to LF01	Q7 Field Event Activity
BG-MW03A	Shallow	Existing	Downgradient	Gauge and Sample
BG-MW03B	Intermediate	Existing	Downgradient	Gauge and Sample
NBOG-MW02	Shallow	Existing	Sidegradient	Gauge Only
NBOG-MW03*	Shallow	Existing	Downgradient	Gauge Only
LF01-MW01	Shallow	Existing	Upgradient	Gauge Only
LF01-MW01B	Shallow	Existing	Upgradient	Gauge Only
LF01-MW02	Shallow	Existing	Downgradient	Gauge and Sample
LF01-MW02B	Shallow	Existing	Downgradient	Gauge Only
LF01-MW03	Shallow	Existing	Downgradient	Gauge Only
LF01-MW04	Shallow	Existing	Downgradient	Gauge and Sample
LF01-MW05	Shallow	Existing	Downgradient	Gauge Only
LF01-MW05B	Shallow	Existing	Downgradient	Gauge Only
LF01-MW06	Shallow	Existing	Downgradient	Gauge Only
LF01-MW07A	Shallow	Existing	Downgradient	Gauge Only
LF01-MW07B	Intermediate	Existing	Downgradient	Gauge Only
LF01-MW07C	Deep	Existing	Downgradient	Gauge Only
LF01-MW08A	Shallow	Existing	Upgradient	Gauge Only
LF01-MW08B	Shallow	Existing	Upgradient	Gauge Only
LF01-MW09	Shallow	Existing	Downgradient	Gauge and Sample
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LF01-MW24B	Intermediate	Installed September 2023	Downgradient	Gauge and Sample
LF01-MW25	Intermediate	Installed September 2023	Downgradient	Gauge and Sample
LF01-MW26A	Shallow	Installed July 2025	Downgradient	Gauge and Sample
LF01-MW26B	Intermediate	Installed July 2025	Downgradient	Gauge and Sample
LF01-MW27A	Shallow	Installed July 2025	Downgradient	Gauge and Sample
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LF01-MW28A	Shallow	Installed August 2025	Downgradient	Gauge and Sample
LF01-MW28B	Intermediate	Installed August 2025	Downgradient	Gauge and Sample
LF01-MW29A	Shallow	Installed May 2026	Downgradient	Gauge and Sample

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Well ID*	Highlighted wells = MI DNR temporary access granted.			
Q7 Well Gauging and Sampling Summary: **Total wells to gauge = 58** **Total wells to sample = 25**				

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Government Services

October 3, 2026

Kinross Charter Township
4884 W Curtis St.
Kincheloe, MI 49788

RE: Notice of Possible Reduction or Cancellation of 2% Allocation

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is to inform you that your current Long Term 2% funding allocation is under review and may be subject to reduction or cancellation by the Sault Ste Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors. The Long Term 2% allocations for Fall 2026 will be made without changes.

At this time, no final decision has been made. However, we are committed to keeping you informed throughout this process and will provide written decision as soon as the determination is made.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors
Sault Ste Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians

Performance Report

Rural Development Fund Grant

RECIPIENT INFORMATION

Grantee Name: Kinross Charter Township
Address: 4884 W. Curtis Street, Kincheloe, MI 49788
Grant Number: E20260157

REPORTING PERIOD COVERED

2026 Q3 Report

PROJECT COORDINATOR

Coordinator Name: Tracey Laitinen
Title: Grant Coordinator
Phone Number:906.322.4032
Email:tlaitinen@soilsandstructures.com ~~mailto:throneh@michigan.gov~~

The *narrative* description of a Performance Report should average between one and three pages in length.

ACTIVITIES PERFORMED

Summarize any and all activities performed. Address each of the bullets below in a narrative response.

Items to report	Responses
List performance goals achieved during this reporting period, and indicate how these accomplishments assist in the fulfillment of your project's objective(s)	
Background research – site survey, soil analysis, geotechnical field work, conditions asst prior to snowfall	In progress – sent out RFPs for services due Friday, Sept 18, 2026. Vendor selection took place the week of September 21, 2026. Recommendation to KCT was made on September 28, 2026, for their Twp Supervisor to get approved at a KCT Board Meeting 7pm October 5, 2026.
Project Information Sharing - User and stakeholders are brought together at the Twp hall for public meeting	Public meeting is scheduled at the Kinross Charter Twp Hall for Sept 16, 2026 @ 6pm. All stakeholders, funders, and community have been made aware. Radio ads, fliers, and social media are being widely shared and distributed. Photos, press release, sign in sheets and PPT have been attached to this report.
Final Grant Reporting and Submission - Paperwork in online portal	Past financial and quarterly reports have been uploaded to the portal to catch us up.

Percentage of grant award expenditures this reporting period	$0 None
Percentage of matching funds expended this reporting period	$0 None
Discuss any significant changes in expenditures of grant funds or matching funds you are expecting	$0 None

WORK PLAN

Complete the table below using the Work Plan activities in your Grant Agreement. Estimate total percentage (%) of work completed on each of the activities in the "Status" column.

Tasks from Work Plan in your Grant Agreement	Status (% completed; "in progress"; "estimated date completed")
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2. Project Information Sharing - User and stakeholders are brought together at the Twp hall for public meeting	100%/In progress
3. Concept Design/Prelim Engineering Plans - Data culmination for preliminary planning	0%/Not started yet
4. Cost Estimate and Bid Schedule/Plan Revisions & Final Prelim Design - Final documents pulled together to put out for possible bid	0%/Not started yet
5. Final Grant Reporting and Submission - Paperwork in online portal	25%/In progress.

CHALLENGES AND DEVELOPMENTS

Provide any challenges to the completion of your project or any positive developments outside of the project's original intent that you experienced during this period of performance. If those challenges or developments resulted or will result in corrective actions and/or changes to the project, include those in the space below.

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- Is your project on track? *Yes, so far so good and there is a lot of stakeholder enthusiasm for the project. The public meeting was well attended, and we plan to do further public outreach and are working on a survey to distribute.*

Detail the corrective action plan to get back on track in the table below.

Challenges or Developments	Corrective Action and/or Project Change(s)
Pending winter weather	TBD, goal is still to get research completed before snow flies
Vendor RFPs	Some vendors did not have any time left in their 2026 schedules, so we are keeping a spreadsheet of those that we reached out to. Waiting on KCT Board to vote on recommendations from Twp Supervisor at 10/5/2026 board meeting.

You will be required to show proof of all grant funds expended and matching funds expended with reimbursement requests. Refer to your Grant Agreement budget table to ensure there is no comingling of funds with other grants or projects.

When submitting supporting financial statements/documentation, the support must correlate to the budget table in the Grant Agreement.

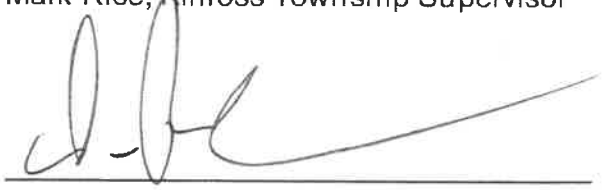
NOTE: For auditing purposes, all grant records should be retained for three years from the close of the grant.

The Authorized Individual must sign this statement after the applicable report form is completed.

I certify that the statements and information contained in these documents are true, accurate, and complete.

Signature of Responsible Official: Date: 10/2/2026

Mark Rice, Kinross Township Supervisor



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Kinross Charter Township Invites Public Input on Chippewa County Fairgrounds Grandstand and Infrastructure Planning

KINROSS TOWNSHIP, Mich. Kinross Charter Township invites residents, fairgrounds users, community organizations, event organizers, businesses, and other interested stakeholders to a public meeting on the future of the Chippewa County Fairgrounds grandstand and related site infrastructure.

Public Stakeholder Meeting
Wednesday, September 16, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.
Kinross Charter Township Hall
4884 W. Curtis Street, Kincheloe, MI 49788

The meeting will introduce the Township's MDARD-funded planning process for the fairgrounds and provide an opportunity for the public to share ideas, priorities, concerns, and potential funding leads. The Township especially encourages attendance by current and former fairgrounds users; Chippewa County Fair participants; racing, equestrian, livestock, agricultural, youth, school, and community-event groups; nearby residents and businesses; potential donors; and anyone interested in the long-term future of this community asset.

Kinross Charter Township owns the Chippewa County Fairgrounds and is leading the planning effort in coordination with fairgrounds user groups, local and regional partners, and Soils & Structures, the Township's planning and grant-management consultant. The current planning budget is $80,000, including a $56,000 grant from the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) and a $24,000 local match provided by Kinross Charter Township, the Midwest International Racing Association, the Chippewa County Fair, and the Sault Ste. Marie Rotary Club.

The planning grant is **not construction funding** and does not authorize or guarantee a final grandstand design or construction project. Instead, it will help the Township gather the information needed to make informed decisions and prepare stronger applications for future construction funding. Planning work will include site survey and mapping; soils and geotechnical investigation; preliminary review of water, sewer,

drainage, traffic, access, and site-layout needs; grandstand concepts; planning-level cost estimates; and a future bid and funding schedule.

The existing grandstand was built in 1976 and originally accommodated approximately 1,800 spectators. Following a 2023 structural incident and a 2024 engineering review, the grandstand's usable seating has been reduced to approximately 60 percent of its original capacity. The review identified deteriorated decking and support components and recommended that the Township plan for a long-term replacement rather than pursue short-term repairs.

The planning process will also consider water and sewer infrastructure serving the fairgrounds. Modern utility service could support future restrooms, concessions, fire protection, livestock and equestrian activities, camping, event operations, and future fairgrounds development. The Township will evaluate whether grandstand and utility improvements should be pursued together or in practical phases based on the preferred concept, project cost, and available funding.

At the meeting, attendees will learn about the project background, grant scope and timeline, existing grandstand conditions, preliminary utility and site-planning needs, potential project examples, and possible future funding sources. No final design will be selected and no vote on construction will occur at this meeting. Public input will help the Township understand which events and user groups need to be accommodated, what safety and accessibility improvements are most important, and how the fairgrounds can best serve the community in the future.

For questions or comments, contact **Tracey Laitinen, Soils & Structures, Inc.**, at **906-322-4032** or **tlaitinen@soilsandstructures.com**.

About the project: The Chippewa County Fairgrounds Grandstand Project is a Kinross Charter Township planning initiative focused on developing a safe, functional, and financially realistic long-term approach for the fairgrounds' grandstand and related infrastructure. The project is supported by an MDARD planning grant and local matching contributions.

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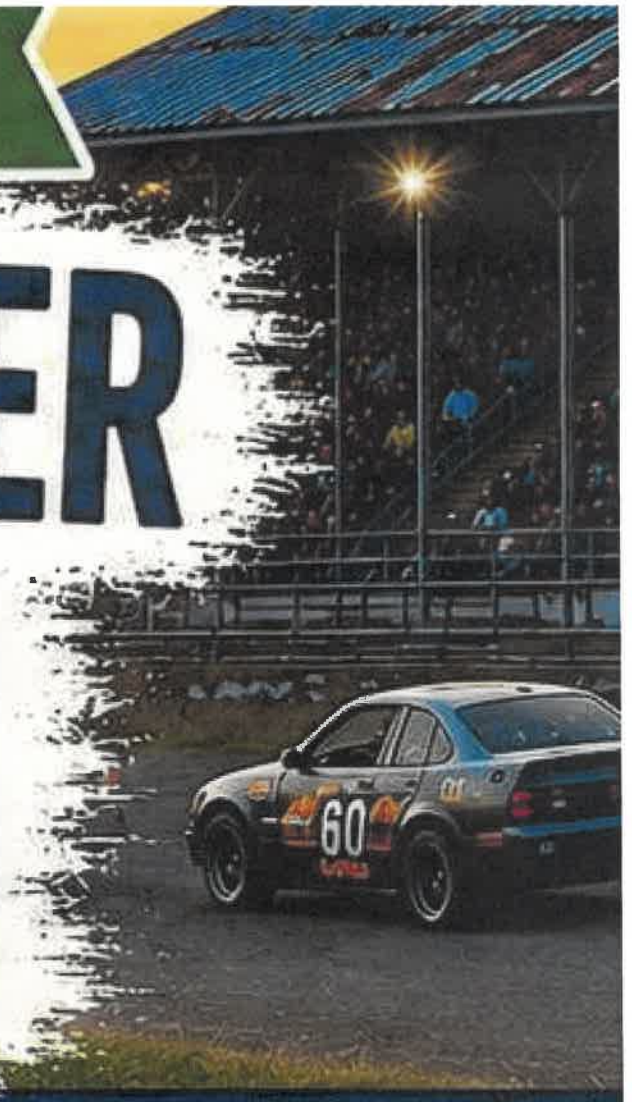

VEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16,

6:00 P.M.

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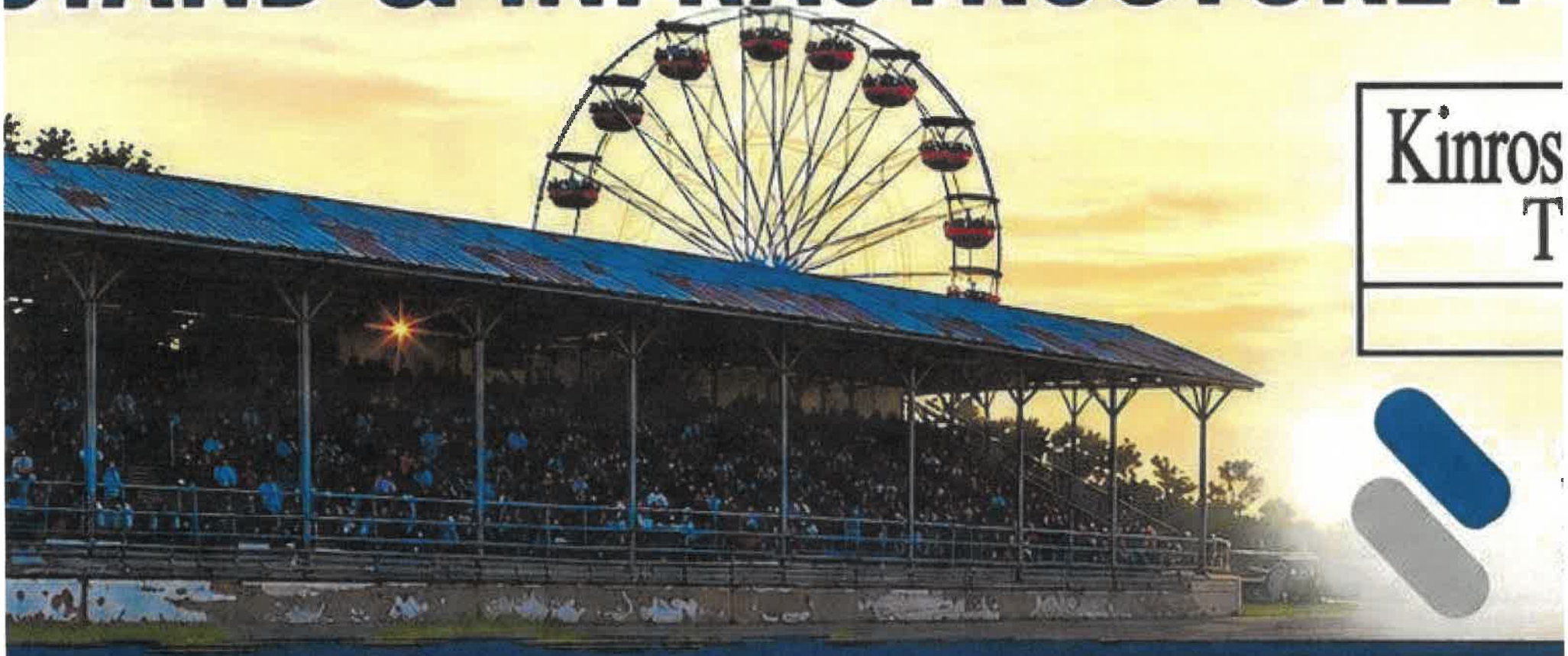

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2025 Chippewa County Fairground Grandstand Replacement

Kinross Charter Township, Chippewa County, MI

Chippewa County is situated just North of the Mackinac Bridge and has a connection to Sault Ontario. What was once a thriving area has seen its share of infrastructure problems exacerbated by the declassification and closing of the Kincheloe Air Force Base in 1977 and population loss of 10,000.



This rural community is now heavily dependent on tourism and recreational opportunities including a 100-acre all-season fairground. The fairground property is unique in that it encompasses a swimming area and beach, animal barns, a 4-H Event Facility, camping areas, a racetrack, exhibit buildings, horse arenas, and numerous support facilities. With the help of several smaller MDARD grants, the fair has been able to add a bathhouse and do several deferred electrical upgrades, but the public infrastructure is generally past its service life.

The wooden grandstands were built in 1976. The grandstands and track see a variety of uses including concerts, stock car racing, pageants, snowmobile racing, mud drags, harness racing, horse pulling, church services, demolition derbies, and tractor parades within the calendar year. A spectator fell through the stands in 2023. A structural engineering firm then reviewed the condition of the grandstands and recommended immediately reducing allowable occupancy to 60-70% due to the condition of the wooden decking and support structure. The structural firm also recommended seeking a complete replacement within the next 5 years. Grandstand events are the primary money maker for the Fairgrounds and drive over a million dollars in local economic activity between events, parking, tickets, livestock auctions, and prizes.

The Grandstand Replacement and Expansion project at the Chippewa County Fairgrounds aims to dramatically improve the safety, accessibility, and functionality of one of the community's most vital public spaces. The plan includes demolishing several adjacent aging structures and increasing seating capacity from approximately 1,800 to 4,000, while creating a fully ADA-accessible, all-season atmosphere for spectators. Modern amenities—including accessible restrooms, concession areas, and a meeting room—will be constructed underneath the new grandstands, providing year-round usability and enhancing the overall visitor experience. The estimated project cost, based on comparable upgrades at Ingham County Fairgrounds, is approximately $5 million.

Kinross Township, which owns the fairgrounds property, is deeply committed to public recreation and long-term resource stewardship. Both Kinross Township and Chippewa County have endorsed the project, recognizing its value to the community, but neither government has the funding capacity to fully finance the improvements. The Chippewa County Fair, which leases and operates the fairgrounds, brings in about $840,000 annually and pays out roughly $790,000 in operational costs, leaving only $50,000 per year for maintenance and improvements. Historically, county fairs like Chippewa's relied heavily on revenue from horse racing and state funding tied to the racing industry. That funding source was eliminated between 2008 and 2010 when the state restructured its support model, leaving rural fairs with aging infrastructure and limited alternatives. The Chippewa County Fair continues to serve the region with dedication, but replacing the grandstands is beyond its current financial reach. Support for this project would revitalize a key community hub, expanding opportunities for recreation, cultural events, and economic development throughout the region.

For more information contact: Project Manager & Grant Specialist, Tracey Laitinen

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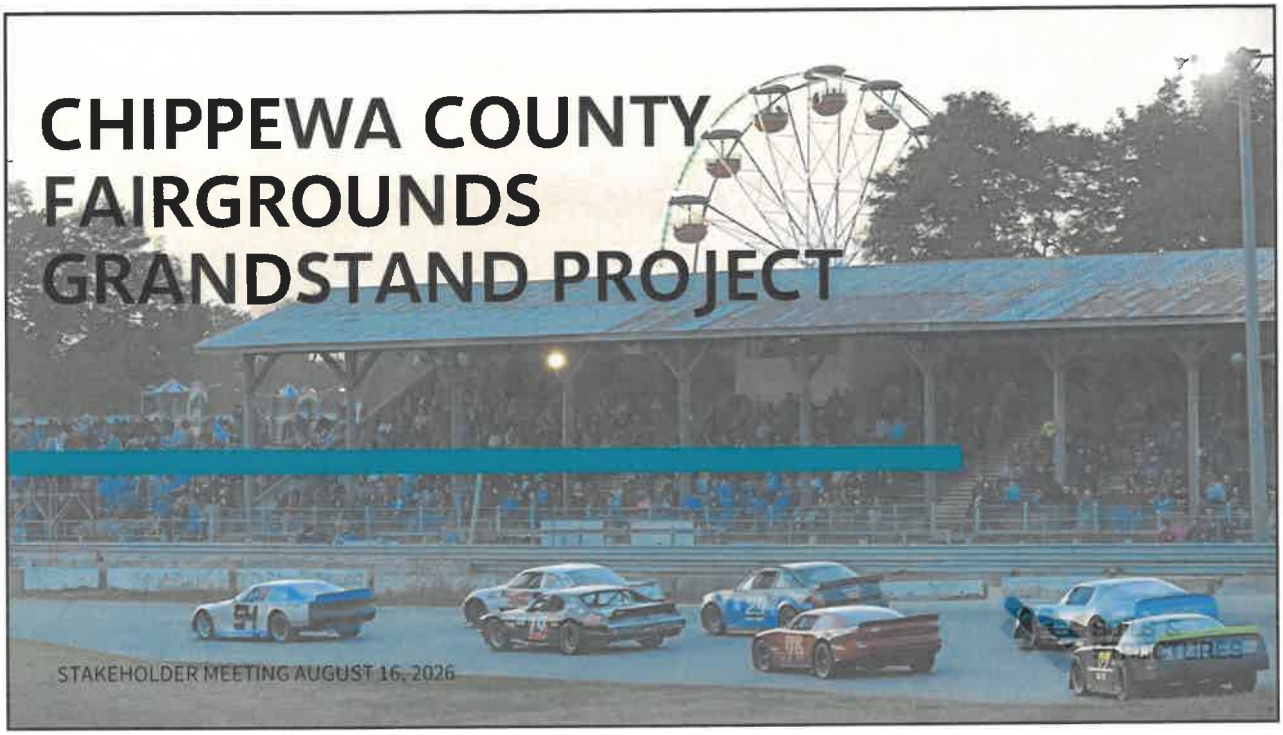

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HOW WE GOT HERE

- 2023 STRUCTURAL INCIDENT AND REDUCED SEATING
- 2024 ENGINEERING REVIEW AND PRELIMINARY FINDINGS
- FUNDING RESEARCH, APPROPRIATIONS REQUESTS, LETTERS OF SUPPORT, MEETINGS WITH ELECTED OFFICIALS, SITE TOURS, AND THE WORK UNDERTAKEN TO APPLY AND FINALLY SECURE FUNDING
- RISING CONSTRUCTION COSTS AND DIFFERING OPINIONS ON SITE USE MADE IT IMPORTANT TO PAUSE, REGROUP, AND PURSUE PLANNING FUNDS TO BETTER DEFINE WHAT THE COMMUNITY WANTS AND WHAT THE BUDGET CAN REALISTICALLY SUPPORT.



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2025 Chippewa County Fairground Grandstand Replacement

Kinross Charter Township, Chippewa County, MI



Chippewa County is situated just North of the Mackinac Bridge and has a connection to South Ontario. What was once a thriving area has seen its share of infrastructure problems exacerbated by the declassification and closing of the Kincheloe Air Force Base in 1977 and population loss of 10,000.

This rural community is now heavily dependent on tourism and recreational opportunities including a 100-acre all-season fairground. The fairground property is unique in that it encompasses a swimming area and beach, animal barns, a 4-H Event Facility, camping areas, a racetrack, exhibit buildings, horse arenas, and numerous support facilities. With the help of several smaller MDARD grants, the fair has been able to add a bathhouse and do several deferred electrical upgrades, but the public fairstructure is generally past its service life

The wooden grandstands were built in 1976. The grandstands and track see a variety of uses including concerts, stock car racing, pageants, snowmobile racing, mud drags, harness racing, horse pulling, church services, demolition derbies, and tractor parades within the calendar year. A spectator fell through the stands in 2023. A structural engineering firm then reviewed the condition of the grandstands and recommended immediately reducing allowable occupancy to 60-70% due to the condition of the wooden decking and support structure. The structural firm also recommended seeking a complete replacement within the next 5 years. Grandstand events are the primary income maker for the fairgrounds and drive over a million dollars in local economic activity between events, parking, tickets, livestock auctions, and prizes.

The Grandstand Replacement and Expansion project at the Chippewa County Fairgrounds aims to dramatically improve the safety, accessibility, and functionality of one of the community's most vital public spaces. The plan includes demolishing several adjacent aging structures and increasing seating capacity from approximately 1,800 to 4,000, while creating a fully ADA-accessible, all-season atmosphere for spectators. Modern amenities—including accessible restrooms, concession areas, and a meeting room—will be constructed underneath the new grandstands, providing year-round usability and enhancing the overall visitor experience. The estimated project cost, based on comparable upgrades at Ingham County Fairgrounds, is approximately $5 million.

Kinross Township, which owns the fairgrounds property, is deeply committed to public recreation and long-term resource stewardship. Both Kinross Township and Chippewa County have endorsed the project, recognizing its value to the community, but neither government has the funding capacity to fully finance the improvements. The Chippewa County Fair, which leases and operates the fairgrounds, brings in about $840,000 annually and pays an roughly $790,000 in operational costs, leaving only $50,000 per year for maintenance and improvements. Historically, county fairs like Chippewa's relied heavily on revenue from horse racing and state funding tied to the racing industry. That funding source was eliminated between 2008 and 2010 when the state restructured its support model, leaving rural fairs with aging infrastructure and limited alternatives. The Chippewa County Fair continues to serve the region with dedication, but replacing the grandstands is beyond its current financial reach. Support for this project would revitalize a key community hub, expanding opportunities for recreation, cultural events, and economic development throughout the region.

For more information contact: Project Manager & Grant Specialist- Tracey Laitinen

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PROJECT FUNDING & MANAGEMENT PARTNERS

Michigan Department of AGRICULTURE & Rural Development

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MEET THE TEAM



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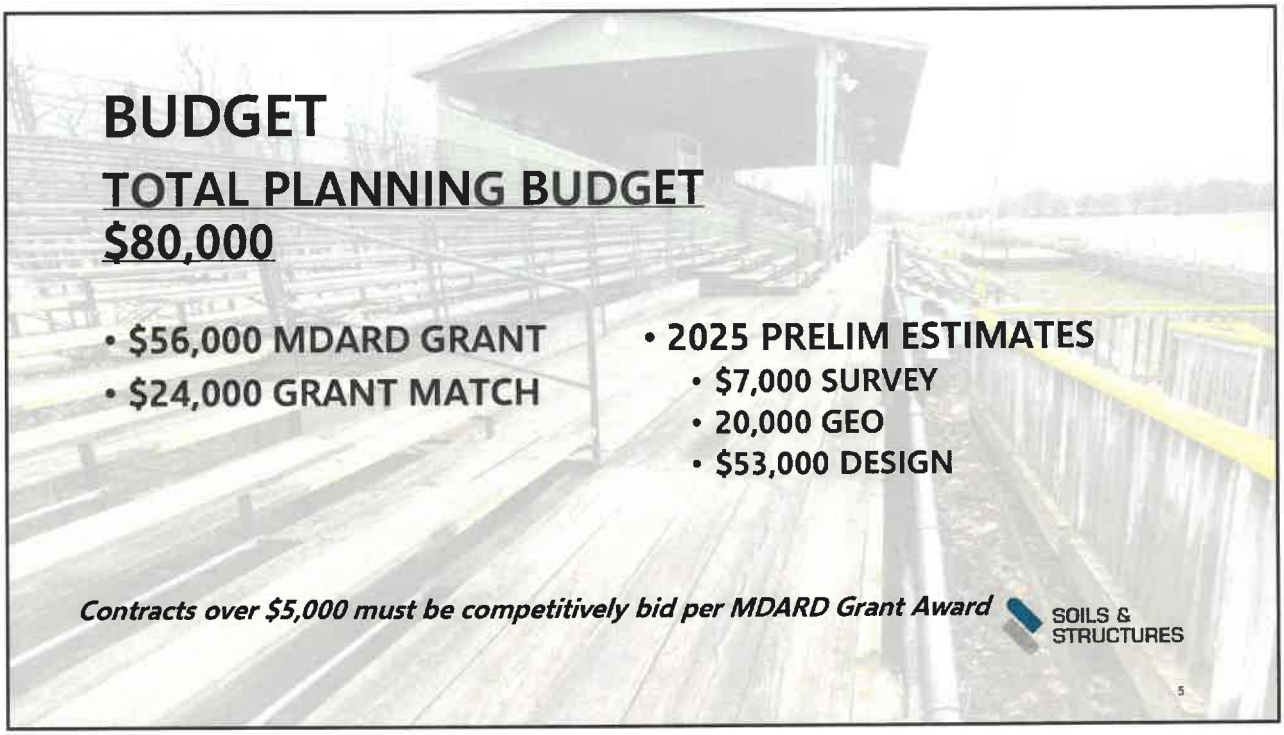
BUDGET
TOTAL PLANNING BUDGET
$80,000
• $56,000 MDARD GRANT
• $24,000 GRANT MATCH
• 2025 PRELIM ESTIMATES
• $7,000 SURVEY
• 20,000 GEO
• $53,000 DESIGN
Contracts over $5,000 must be competitively bid per MDARD Grant Award
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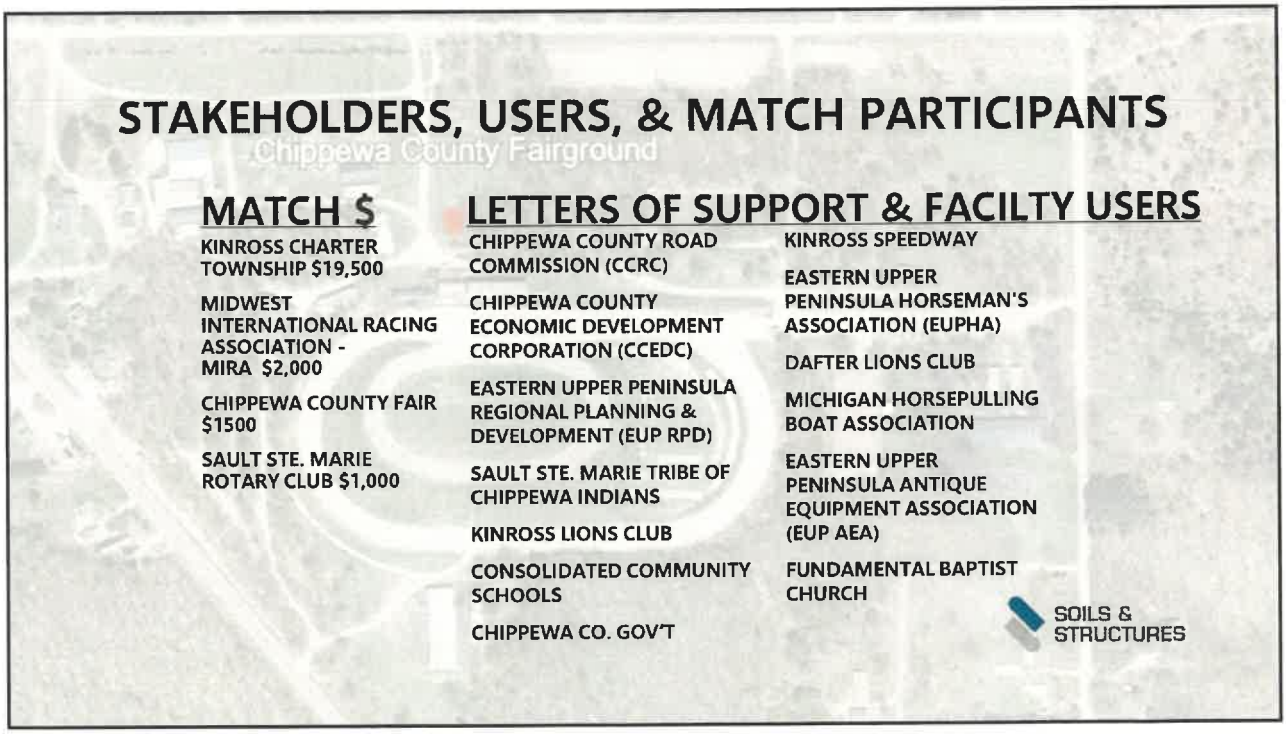
STAKEHOLDERS, USERS, & MATCH PARTICIPANTS
Chippewa County Fairground
MATCH $
KINROSS CHARTER TOWNSHIP $19,500
MIDWEST INTERNATIONAL RACING ASSOCIATION - MIRA $2,000
CHIPPEWA COUNTY FAIR $1500
SAULT STE. MARIE ROTARY CLUB $1,000
LETTERS OF SUPPORT & FACILTY USERS
CHIPPEWA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION (CCRC)
CHIPPEWA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (CCEDC)
EASTERN UPPER PENINSULA REGIONAL PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT (EUP RPD)
SAULT STE. MARIE TRIBE OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS
KINROSS LIONS CLUB
CONSOLIDATED COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
CHIPPEWA CO. GOV'T
KINROSS SPEEDWAY
EASTERN UPPER PENINSULA HORSEMAN'S ASSOCIATION (EUPHA)
DAFTER LIONS CLUB
MICHIGAN HORSEPULLING BOAT ASSOCIATION
EASTERN UPPER PENINSULA ANTIQUE EQUIPMENT ASSOCIATION (EUP AEA)
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MDARD PLANNING GRANT – WHAT IT DOES NOT PROVIDE



What it does not do	It does not immediately build a new grandstand.
It will not produce final construction plans with every detail, such as exact water-valve locations.	Those final details, permits, and construction documents will follow a preferred concept and construction funding are secured.

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MDARD PLANNING GRANT – WHAT IT DOES PROVIDE



- Site survey, mapping, and utility review.
- Soils and geotechnical investigation.
- Preliminary water, sewer, drainage, and site-layout planning – locations of where everything would be.
- Grandstand concepts, planning-level cost estimates, and a future bid schedule.

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TIMELINE

- FALL 2026: SURVEY, SOILS, GEOTECHNICAL WORK, AND UTILITY/SITE INFORMATION GATHERING.
- WINTER–SPRING 2027: CONCEPT ALTERNATIVES AND PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING.
- SUMMER–FALL 2027: PLANNING-LEVEL COST ESTIMATE, BID SCHEDULE, AND FINAL PRELIMINARY DESIGN PACKAGE.
- LATE 2027: GRANT REPORTING AND A STRONGER APPLICATION PACKAGE FOR CONSTRUCTION FUNDING.



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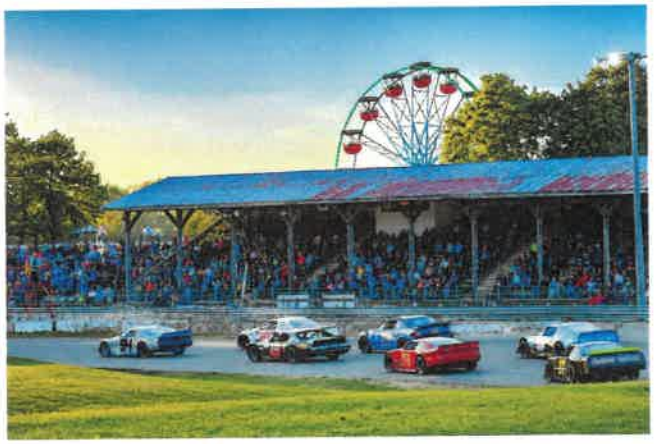
CURRENT FACILITIES

- BUILT IN 1976
- APPROX SEATS 1,800
- CURRENTLY AT A REDUCED SEATING CAPACITY TO 60% OF AVAILABLE SEATING ~1,080
- NO BATHROOM FACILITIES
- SEVERAL STRUCTURES NEED TO BE DEMOLISHED



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WATER & SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE

- Modern water and sewer service is an important part of making the fairgrounds safer, more functional, and better prepared for year-round events and future improvements.
- Extending utilities would support future restrooms, concessions, livestock and equestrian uses, camping, event operations, fire protection, and a new or improved grandstand facility. *recent fire of 4H Event Center
- Preliminary estimates identify approximately 11,510 feet of 10-inch watermain with 23 hydrants and an 11,600-foot sanitary sewer extension, including a lift station and service connections.
- The proposed sewer route is intended to serve the fairgrounds and opportunities for future connections along the corridor—an approach that may create opportunities for coordination and cost sharing with adjacent development.

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WATER & SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE CONTINUED

- Utilities should be evaluated as part of the overall fairground's improvement package. A lower-cost grandstand option could allow more project funding to be directed toward water and sewer infrastructure.
- Phasing may be necessary. The Township will use the MDARD planning grant to evaluate needs, define practical construction phases, determine appropriate watermain sizing, refine costs, and identify funding strategies for both the grandstand and utility components.
- The goal is not simply to replace seating—it is to develop a practical, phased plan that improves the fairgrounds' core infrastructure and positions the site for future community use.

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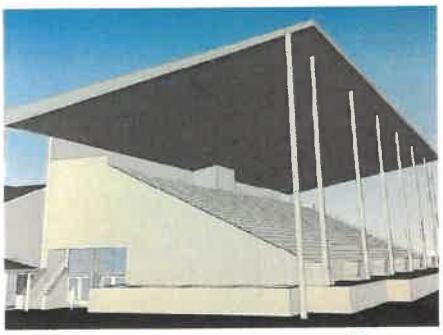
GRANDSTAND PROJECT EXAMPLES

EMMET – CHARLEVOIX
2,700 SEATS
BUILT IN 2003 FOR JUST $200,000
TICKET BOOTHS, BUT NO LARGER FACILITIES, NO W&S



INGHAM CO EXPECTED 2027 (2025 EST. WAS $3.9M)
1,382 SEATS + ADA
SEVERAL RESTROOMS
STORAGE, FLEX SPACE, & CONCESSIONS



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https://fair.ingham.org/grandstand/index.php

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POSSIBLE FUTURE FUNDING STREAMS

Sources

- Federal Congressionally Directed Spending
- MI Dept of Agriculture & Rural Development (MDARD)
- USDA Rural Development
- Local, Private, Philanthropic Partners
- *Most likely will be mixed funding/multiple sources*

Grant Match Expectations

- Most grants require a local match of approximately 20–50% of total project costs.
- Match funds may come from millages, general-fund dollars, fundraising, sponsorships, donations, fair revenue, partner contributions, or other eligible grants.
- A stronger local match demonstrates community commitment, makes the project more competitive, and helps outside grant dollars go farther.
- Example: A $5 million project with a $1.5 million local match (30%) would require $3.5 million in grant or other outside funding.

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QUESTIONS FOR ATTENDEES

- WHAT EVENTS AND USER GROUPS NEED TO BE ACCOMMODATED?
- WHAT SEATING, ACCESSIBILITY, SAFETY, TECHNOLOGY, PRESS BOX, RESTROOM, CONCESSIONS, OR OPERATIONAL NEEDS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED?
- WHAT SITE, TRAFFIC, PARKING, DRAINAGE, WATER, OR USER-ACCESS CONCERNS SHOULD BE STUDIED?
- ARE THERE COMMUNITY PARTNERS, DONORS, OR FUNDING LEADS THE TOWNSHIP SHOULD PURSUE?
- WHO WANTS TO REMAIN INVOLVED AS THE PROJECT ADVANCES?

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SUMMARY

- THE GRANDSTANDS ARE A MAJOR FAIRGROUNDS ASSET AND THE SITE'S ONLY PERMANENT SPECTATOR SEATING.
- THE 2024 REVIEW IDENTIFIED DETERIORATED DECKING AND SUPPORT STRUCTURE, LEADING TO REDUCED SEATING CAPACITY AND A RECOMMENDATION TO PLAN FOR REPLACEMENT.
- THE GOAL IS A SAFE, FUNCTIONAL LONG-TERM SOLUTION—NOT A SHORT-TERM PATCH.
- TONIGHT IS NOT A VOTE ON A FINAL GRANDSTAND DESIGN. IT IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLAIN THE PLANNING WORK NOW UNDERWAY, GATHER LOCAL KNOWLEDGE, AND MAKE SURE THE TOWNSHIP'S FUTURE FUNDING AND DESIGN DECISIONS REFLECT THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY.



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Chippewa County Fairgrounds Grandstand Project

MDARD Planning Grant Public Information Meeting

Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2026
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Kinross Charter Township Hall, 4884 W. Curtis Street, Kincheloe, MI 49788

Thank you for attending. Please print clearly so Kinross Charter Township can share future project updates and meeting information.

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Linda Leese	Chippewa Fair Board	

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August 20, 2026

Re: Request for Proposals — Site Survey, Geotechnical Engineering, and Architectural Concept & Preliminary Design Services

Chippewa County Fairgrounds Grandstand Replacement Project — Kinross Charter Township, Michigan (MDARD Planning Grant)

Dear Prospective Firm:

Soils & Structures, Inc. ("S&S") is administering a Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) planning grant on behalf of Kinross Charter Township (the "Township") to plan for the replacement of the existing grandstand at the Chippewa County Fairgrounds. This Request for Proposals (RFP) combines three related scopes of service needed to complete the planning phase of this project:

- Scope A — Site Survey Services
- Scope B — Geotechnical Engineering Services
- Scope C — Architectural Concept & Preliminary Design Services

Firms may submit a Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) and fee proposal for one, two, or all three scopes, as applicable to their qualifications and licensure. Please clearly identify which scope(s) your submission addresses. S&S will coordinate all selected firms and administer the overall planning effort.

1. Project Background

The existing grandstand was constructed in 1976 and is of wood-frame construction. A fall 2024 engineering inspection, prompted by an incident in which a spectator fell through the seating, identified significant deterioration of the wood decking and supporting structure. As a result, occupancy has been reduced to approximately 60–70 spectators and portions of the facility have been closed. Based on these findings, S&S has recommended that the Township plan for complete replacement of the grandstand within the next five years rather than continue to rely on the aging structure.

The Township has secured an MDARD planning grant to advance the project toward a construction-ready state. The grant funds a site survey, geotechnical investigation, concept development, preliminary engineering, planning-level cost estimates, and preparation of a preliminary bid package. S&S will manage the overall MDARD planning program and is soliciting the three scopes below — to be performed by qualified subconsultants — to complete the planning work.

In addition to reconstruction of the grandstand, the township would also like to update the existing site utilities to include new water main, sanitary sewer and an associated lift station. The proposed scopes should include the utility corridor which is outlined in the attached support documentation. Concepts for the utilities should be limited to major features (ie lift station), pipe sizing and cost estimation for planning.

2. Scopes of Service Requested

Scope A — Site Survey Services

Anticipated survey scope includes:

- Topographic survey of the existing grandstand site and immediately surrounding fairgrounds property, including existing structures, pavement, fencing, and site features.
- Boundary/property line confirmation as needed to establish setbacks and site constraints for concept planning.
- Location of existing above-ground utilities and coordination of utility locates (e.g., MISS DIG) to identify underground utilities in the vicinity of the grandstand.
- Establishment of site benchmarks and horizontal/vertical control for use in subsequent design phases.
- Spot elevations and/or contours sufficient to support concept-level grading and drainage considerations.
- Preparation of a base survey/mapping deliverable (CAD file and PDF) suitable for use by the architectural and engineering team during concept and schematic design.

A full ALTA survey, final construction staking, and final utility/easement research beyond what is reasonably available in public records are not included and, if needed, would be addressed in a later phase.

Scope B — Geotechnical Engineering Services

S&S will manage the overall MDARD planning program and coordinate the survey and architectural concept/design subconsultants. The selected geotechnical firm will provide full geotechnical engineering services under subcontract to S&S, including field exploration, laboratory testing, engineering analysis, and reporting. Anticipated scope includes:

- Mobilization of a drill rig and crew to the Chippewa County Fairgrounds grandstand site.
- Advancement of soil test borings at locations selected by the firm's geotechnical engineer, sufficient to characterize subsurface conditions for planning-level foundation evaluation.
- Standard Penetration Testing (SPT) and collection of representative soil samples at regular intervals within each boring.
- Field logging of soil conditions, groundwater observations, and boring termination depths.
- Backfilling/grouting and surface restoration of all boring locations upon completion.
- Laboratory testing of recovered soil samples (e.g., moisture content, grain size analysis, Atterberg limits, and other tests as appropriate to the observed conditions).
- Geotechnical engineering analysis, including evaluation of subsurface conditions, groundwater, and preliminary foundation recommendations (bearing capacity, foundation type options, and site preparation considerations) to support concept-level design and cost estimation.
- Preparation of a geotechnical engineering report summarizing findings, laboratory results, and recommendations, suitable for use by the architectural/structural design team and for planning-level cost estimation.
- Coordination with S&S (overall program manager), the project surveyor, and the architectural design team throughout the planning process, including participation in progress meetings as needed.

Final foundation design, permit-ready specifications, and construction-phase geotechnical services (e.g., construction observation and testing) are excluded and, if needed, would be addressed under a separate future agreement not covered by this grant.

Scope C — Architectural Concept & Preliminary Design Services

The selected firm will work under subcontract to S&S and in coordination with the Township, the S&S structural/geotechnical team, and the project surveyor. Anticipated scope includes:

- Review of existing site conditions, survey data, and prior reports; site visit(s) as needed.
- Participation in programming discussions with the Township and user groups (e.g., Chippewa County Fair Board and other stakeholders) to confirm seating capacity, amenities, and functional needs.
- Development of architectural concept alternatives, including layout, seating capacity, and phasing options, for Township review.
- Preparation of schematic-level architectural drawings sufficient to support planning-level cost estimation — not construction documents.
- Coordination with S&S's structural and geotechnical engineering to ensure concepts are technically and financially feasible.
- Attendance at incremental progress meetings and applicable public/stakeholder engagement sessions to present concepts and gather feedback.
- Support for a preliminary bid package and planning-level opinion of probable construction cost, for use in securing future construction funding.

Final design, construction documents, permit-ready specifications, final structural connection details, final utility routing, and complete bid documents are excluded from this scope and, if pursued, would be provided under a separate future agreement not covered by this grant.

3. Submission Requirements

For each scope proposed, interested firms should submit a Statement of Qualifications addressing the following:

- Firm overview, including office location(s) and relevant Michigan licensure/certification applicable to the proposed scope(s).
- Relevant project experience for the proposed scope(s), particularly public, municipal, fairgrounds, or grandstand/bleacher projects. Relevant qualification highlights by scope include:
  - **Scope A:** Relevant Michigan licensure (Professional Surveyor).
  - **Scope A:** Relevant experience with public sites, fairgrounds, or similar municipal survey work.
  - **Scope B:** Relevant Michigan licensure (Professional Engineer, geotechnical practice) and any applicable laboratory accreditation.
  - **Scope B:** Relevant experience with municipal, public assembly, or grandstand/bleacher foundation investigations, including in-house laboratory testing and report preparation.
  - **Scope C:** Relevant Michigan architectural licensure.
  - **Scope C:** Relevant experience with grandstands, bleachers, athletic facilities, fairgrounds, or other public assembly structures.
- Key personnel proposed, including licensure/certifications and roles.
- At least three (3) professional references from comparable projects, for each proposed scope.
- A brief narrative of the firm's proposed approach for each proposed scope.
- A proposed schedule consistent with Section 5 below.
- A fee proposal per Section 4 below, for each proposed scope.

4. Fee Proposal

Please provide a not-to-exceed fee estimate for each proposed scope, broken down by task, along with the associated billing rates or basis for the estimate. Suggested formats are provided below for each scope; firms may attach a similar breakdown in their own format. Firms proposing on multiple scopes should submit a separate fee table for each.

Scope A — Site Survey Services: Fee Breakdown

Task / Deliverable	Fee
Topographic & boundary survey (field work)	
Utility locate coordination	
Control/benchmark establishment	
Base mapping / CAD deliverable preparation	
Coordination with design team	
Reimbursable expenses (if any)	
Subtotal Not-to-Exceed Fee	

Scope B — Geotechnical Engineering Services: Fee Breakdown

Task / Deliverable	Fee
Mobilization / demobilization	
Soil test borings (per boring, incl. SPT sampling)	
Field logging & groundwater observation	
Backfilling / surface restoration	
Laboratory testing of soil samples	
Geotechnical engineering analysis	
Geotechnical engineering report preparation	
Coordination with S&S, surveyor & design team	
Reimbursable expenses (if any)	
Subtotal Not-to-Exceed Fee	

Scope C — Architectural Concept & Preliminary Design Services: Fee Breakdown

Task / Deliverable	Fee
Site review, programming & stakeholder coordination	
Concept design alternatives (layout, capacity, phasing)	
Schematic-level architectural drawings	

Task / Deliverable	Fee
Coordination with S&S structural/geotechnical team	
Meetings & public/stakeholder engagement	
Preliminary bid package & cost estimate support	
Reimbursable expenses (if any)	
Subtotal Not-to-Exceed Fee	

5. Selection Criteria & Schedule

SOQs and fee proposals will be evaluated, by scope, based on:

- Relevant qualifications and experience with similar municipal/public projects for the proposed scope(s).
- Qualifications and availability of proposed key personnel.
- Proposed approach and schedule.
- References.
- Proposed fee and overall value to the project.

The bidding schedule is outlined below. The overall project schedule is outlined in attachment A in the support documentation.

RFQ Issue Date	August 28, 2026
Questions Due	Friday, September 11, 2026, by 5:00 PM Eastern Time
Proposals Due	Friday, September 18, 2026, by 5:00 PM Eastern Time
Anticipated Selection / Notification	Friday, September 25, 2026
Anticipated Notice to Proceed	Late September 2026, subject to Township and MDARD grant administration

6. Submission Instructions

Please submit your SOQ and fee proposal(s), clearly identifying the scope(s) addressed, as a single PDF no later than the deadline listed in Section 5 to:

Don R. Dunkin, P.E.
Soils & Structures, Inc.
Email: ddunkin@soilsandstructures.com
Phone: 616.213.5072

Questions regarding this RFP, the scope(s) of services, or the project background may be directed to Mr. Dunkin at the contact information above. S&S appreciates your interest and looks forward to reviewing your firm's qualifications.

Sincerely,

Don R. Dunkin, P.E.
Soils & Structures, Inc.

FINANCIAL STATUS REPORT

Kinross Charter Township

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Category	Expenditures							Agreement		
	Expense	Cash	Total Match	Current Period	Correction	Agreement YTD	Match YTD	Budget	Balance	Expen
Program Expenses										
Salaries/Personnel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
Fringe Benefits	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
Employee Travel and Training	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
Supplies and Materials	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
Subawards - Subrecipient Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
Contractual - Professional Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	80,000.00	56,000.00	0.0
Communications	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
Grantee Rent Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
Space Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
I. Capital Expenditures - Equipment & Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
. Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
Total Program Expenses	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**80,000.00**	**56,000.00**	**0.0**
Indirect Costs										
Indirect Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
Cost Allocation Plan	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
Total Indirect Costs	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.0**
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**80,000.00**	**56,000.00**	**0.0**
TOTAL PAYABLE	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.0**

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Revenues										
LEO State Agreement	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	56,000.00	56,000.00	0.0
Local	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	24,000.00	0.00	0.0
Non - LEO State Agreements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
Federal	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
In-Kind	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
Federal Cost Based Reimbursement	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
Other	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
Total Revenues	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**0.00**	**80,000.00**	**56,000.00**	**0.0**

ERTIFICATION: I certify that I am authorized to submit on behalf of this organization and that this is an accurate statement of expenditures and collections for the report period. Appropriate ocumentation is available and will be maintained for the required period to support costs and receipts reported. By submitting the FSR the individual is certifying to the best of their knowledge and elief that the report is true, complete and accurate and the expenditures, disbursements, and cash receipts are for the purposes and objectives set forth in the terms and conditions of this agreem he individual submitting the FSR should be aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent information, or the omission of any material facts, may subject them to criminal, civil or administrative enalties for fraud, false statements, false claims or otherwise.

uthorized Signature	Date	Title: Financial Officer
Michael Hoolsema	10/02/2026	
ontact Person Name: Michael Hoolsema		Telephone Number: (906) 495-5381

FOR STATE USE ONLY

	Advance	INDEX	PCA	A OBJ. CODE	AMOUNT
Advance Outstanding					
Advance Issued or Applied					
Balance					

essage

Authority: P.A. 368 of 1978 **Completion:** is a Condition of Reimbursement	The Kinross Charter Township is an equal opportunity employer, services, and program provider.

Dear Tim Wilkinson,

Please accept this letter as notice of my resignation from the position of maintenance at the Kinross Township Water and Sewer Department.

I will continue working for the department until October 16th, 2026.

Sincerely,

Nicholas J Cicco Jr

<pcpostula272@centurytel.net>; Susie Baker <sbaker@detourmi.gov>; Pam Ellis <pellis75@hotmail.com>; detourtownshipclerk@detourvillage.org <detourtownshipclerk@detourvillage.org>; Bruce Berkompas <rudyardtownshiptreasurer@gmail.com>; Supervisor <supervisor@kinross.net>
Cc: Cody Mesnard <asstdirector@nemsa.net>; Renee Gray <admino@nemsa.net>; Bryan Huntley <bhuntley@nemsa.net>
Subject: Shortfall infographic

Good Morning,

After Fridays meeting, a more formal explanation was request so it can be presented to each township. Working with Sussie, this 1 page was designed to help explain. I understand this is not the information anyone wants to hear.

If anyone wants to reach out for more information my cell phone is 860-578-3606

Thanks for your time and support,

Bryan Huntley
Northern EMS Authority, EMS Director
Northern EMS Authority
906-495-6062 x2
5220 W M-80
Kincheloe, MI 49788
https://nemsa.net

Northern EMS Authority (NEMSA) confidentiality statement: "The information contained in this communication, including attachments, is confidential, may be privileged, and is intended only for the use of the named recipient(s). Unauthorized use, disclosure, forwarding, or copying is strictly prohibited and may be unlawful. If you have received this communication in error, please notify me IMMEDIATELY at the phone number listed above."

10/7/2026

2026 Budget Shortfall

INSTRUCTION **Only add/adjust numbers in GREEN boxes - everything else contains formulas**

(N): Add a "1" for any new township/partner added so that the formula tallies and divides correctly

Items in RED are calculations - do not touch these cells

Items in BLUE are formula results, such as dollar amounts or percentages - do not touch these cells

TOTAL BUDGET DEFICIT

$300,000

			$75,000			$150,000			$75,000		VALIDATI N	
		Taxable Value	25%		Call Factor:	50%		Flat Factor:	25%			
	8	$599,451,374.00	100.0%	$75,000	915	100.0%	$150,000	100%	$75,000		VALIDATION	
TOWNSHIP	(N)	Taxable Value	Tax. %	Pop. Fee	AVG Call Vo	Call %	Call Fee	Flat %	Flat Fee			
Bruce	1	97,493,744	16.3%	$12,198	112	12.2%	$18,361	12.5%	$9,375	$39,934	Bruce	
De Tour	1	72,936,142	12.2%	$9,125	112	12.2%	$18,361	12.5%	$9,375	$36,861	DeTour	
Kinross	1	65,686,910	11.0%	$8,218	237	25.9%	$38,852	12.5%	$9,375	$56,446	Kinross	
Marquette (Ma	1	43,225,771	7.2%	$5,408	43	4.7%	$7,049	12.5%	$9,375	$21,832	Marquette (M	
Pickford	1	73,062,373	12.2%	$9,141	115	12.6%	$18,852	12.5%	$9,375	$37,369	Pickford	
Raber	1	37,681,812	6.3%	$4,715	55	6.0%	$9,016	12.5%	$9,375	$23,106	Raber	
Rudyard	1	54,872,794	9.2%	$6,865	107	11.7%	$17,541	12.5%	$9,375	$33,781	Rudyard	
Drummond Is	1	154,491,828	25.8%	$19,329	134	14.6%	$21,967	12.5%	$9,375	$50,671	Drummond I	
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Northern Emergency Medical Services Authority

NEMSA | 5220 W M-80, Kincheloe MI 49783 | 906-495-6062 | ems@nemsa.net

Participating Townships Covering 2026 Budget Shortfall At NEMSA

Our inaugural year with NEMSA is going strong in many aspects and is struggling in one; Funding.
Without a solid base of reserve capital, NEMSA has been unable to absorb multiple unforeseen hurdles.

	PLAN	ADJUSTED | ACTUAL	
FY2026 Annual Budget	$ 5,758,345	$ 300,000 Short in Revenue	This $300,000 Projected Shortfall Will Be Split Across All Participating Townships per Article XIV Financing the Authority Paragraph C. See Attached Spreadsheet for Breakdown..
Billed Reimbursements	Begin Receiving MARCH 90 Day Delay $216,000 Monthly $1,855,702 Billed to Date 65% Recoverable	Began JUNE 150 Day Delay $180,000 Monthly $896,743 Reimbursed 50% Pace	Initial Setup of NEMSA By Vendors Handled Slowly & With Errors Working with Vendors to Shorten Window Working Through Data Flow and Processes Dealing with Leadership at Vendors to Resolve | Need Twp Input Dealing with Leadership at Vendors to Resolve | Need Twp Input
Vehicle & Equipment Repair	$ 42,000	$ 65,000	Multiple Aging Rigs & Equipment from Participating Townships Needed Service;

We knew going into this venture we would encounter hurdles, and items listed above are our major obstacles.
We are totally dedicated to our mission and have every confidence NEMSA is a solid, well-respected service.

Going forward, the NEMSA Board is looking at an average of 3 mils from participating townships will cover our expenditures, while slowly allowing us to build capital for future improvements.

NEMSA Board of Directors | 10-13-2026

Providing Emergency Medical Services All Day-Every Day

FOLLOW US

Subject: Approval from Board
From: "Levi McFarland" <LMcFarland@kinross.net>
Sent: 10/13/2026 5:02:50 PM
To: "Clerk" <clerk@kinross.net>
Attachments: carpetmartquote.pdf

Hey Clerk,
Here's a quote from Carpet Mart for the kitchen floor. I also have an estimate for Vanslotten Tile for $22,000, but he said he wasn't going to be able to take on the project after all. I'll see if I can find a third before Mondays meeting.
Thanks,
Levi

ESTIMATE

Upper Peninsula Carpet Mart LLC
265 3 Mile Rd
Sault Sainte Marie, MI 49783

info@upcarpetmart.com
+1 (906) 635-1026
www.upcarpetmart.com

Bill to
Levi
Kinross Rec Center

Ship to
Levi
Kinross Rec Center

Estimate details
Estimate no.: 2172
Estimate date: 09/17/2026

#	Date	Product or service	Description	Qty	Rate	Amount
1.		**Schluter All-Set**	Schluter All-Set	25	$45.00	$1,125.00
2.		**Tile**	Shaw Imprint Sands-558.08 In Stock(32 Boxes)709TS	558.08	$3.00	$1,674.24
3.		**Tile**	Shaw Imprint Sands-211.92-Ordered(13 Boxes)709TS	211.92	$3.00	$635.76
4.		**Schluter Ditra Mat**	Ditra Mat	720	$2.35	$1,692.00
5.		**Grout- Laticrete Permacolor w/ color packet**	Grout	6	$37.00	$222.00
6.		**Laticrete Sanded Caulk**	Laticrete Sanded Caulk	1	$27.00	$27.00
7.		**Schluter Trim J100ATGB**	Schluter Trim Brushed Nickel J100ATGB	2	$24.04	$48.08
8.		**Labor**	Tile	770	$10.00	$7,700.00
9.		**Labor**	labor-Tear Out	770	$3.00	$2,310.00
10.		**Labor**	labor-Floor Prep	1	$300.00	$300.00
11.		**Labor**	labor-Base	1	$375.00	$375.00
12.		**Labor**	labor-Appliances/Furniture	1	$1,500.00	$1,500.00

Subtotal	$17,609.08
Sales tax	$325.44
Shipping	$150.00

Note to customer

Thank you for your business!

Returns/Exchanges and Refunds: Returns and exchanges must be made within 90 days of receipt and only with a valid receipt of purchase. Returns or exchanges are not permitted on opened boxes, special or custom orders, close-outs, remnants and odd lots. Defective product may be exchanged, prior to installation, within 90 days of receipt. Installed product is considered accepted by you and may not be exchanged or returned for any reason. Shipping and delivery charges in connection with purchase are non-refundable. Shipping costs relating to a return or exchange are your sole responsibility.

Owner is responsible for verifying work is complete and acceptable prior to paying the independent installer. UPCM is not responsible for improper installation. UPCM is not responsible for the independent installer and their scheduling changes.

Total **$18,084.52**

Accepted date

Accepted by

TIMBER SALE ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT EXTENSION

This agreement, made as of the 6th day of October, 2026, by and between Kinross Charter Township, Kinross MI, 49752, MARK RICE Supervisor, (hereinafter called Owner) who owns property located in Chippewa County, Michigan described as: *T45N R1W Sec. 19, SW1/4 NW1/4, S1/2 exc. E 659.80' of S 1,345.95'; Sec. 20, W 450' of N 716.69' SW1/4, S 300' of W1,750' NW1/4; Sec. 28, S1/2 SW1/4 W of Gaines Hwy.; Sec. 30, N1/2 N1/2 exc. Pvt. In NE1/4 NE1/4; T45N R2W Sec. 24 E1/2 SE1/4 NEI/4, E1/2 NE1/4 SE1/4 and HALLFRISCH FORESTRY SERVICES LLC (hereinafter called Forester) of 4255 S. Riverside Drive, Sault Ste. Marie, Mi., 49783.
*The harvesting of timber on any parcel shall not impact the aesthetics of the golf course.

Whereas the Owner of the property desires to procure the services of the Forester to conduct a timber sale on their property, in accordance with the terms specified below.

In consideration of good and valuable consideration and mutual promises herein, the parties agree as follows:

1. Owner and Forester to review plans and goals for property and to review cutting specifications prior to the sale being advertised or offered to loggers.

2. Forester's duties are to provide:
   a. Sale boundary lines flagged or painted as necessary
   b. Cutting specifications
   c. Timber sale contract
   d. Timber sale advertised to loggers
   e. Selecting the successful bidder, in conjunction with the Owner, as logging contractor
   f. Designate trees for harvest and estimate volumes
   g. On site timber sale contract specification inspection

3. Owner to sign and return the timber sale contract to Forester within fourteen calendar days of receipt of contract, resulting from advertised bid or negotiation.

4. FORESTER'S FEES
   a. Forester will receive; 20 percent of gross stumpage FOR TIMBER SALE WORK, and out of this, the Forester shall pay for all ordinary expenses for travel, labor, paint, advertising, and contract draft.
   b. All checks will be made payable to Hallfrisch Forestry Services LLC by the logging contractor.

5. OWNER PAYMENT
   a. A total of 80 percent will be paid from gross receipts to the Owner within 7 days of receipt of same, after the check has cleared the bank.
   b. Copies of all receipts paid to Hallfrisch Forestry Services LLC, by the logging contractor will be forwarded to the Owner within seven (7) day of receipt.

6. CONTRACT PERIOD **
   This contract will remain in effect until timber is sold and harvested and Forester's fees have been collected, or unless timber has not been sold by July 31, 2028, date at which time this contract shall expire.

7. OWNERSHIP
   Owners certify that the timber on the above-described premises is now owned by ourselves free and clear of all encumbrances.

8. INTEGRATION CLAUSE
   This agreement contains the entire understanding and agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes all previous negotiations and offers and may not be amended or altered without written agreement duly executed by both parties.

PATRICK HALLFRISCH, FORESTER DATE

KINROSS CHARTER TWP. SUPERVISOR, (OWNER) DATE

**Extends existing TMA signed January 2025 and due to expire in February 2026.

Subject: Re: Planning and Zoning items
From: "Mark Rice" <mrice@kinross.net>
Sent: 10/13/2026 10:24:03 AM
To: "Arthur & Karen Brood" <kabrood@gmail.com>
CC: "Clerk" <clerk@kinross.net>

Ok, I will share this with Loretta. We just need the relevant documentation for the Board packets.

Mark W. Rice
Supervisor
Kinross Charter Township
w:(906)495-5381 ext. 107
c:(906)630-3517

From: Arthur & Karen Brood <kabrood@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 12, 2026 8:53 PM
To: Mark Rice <mrice@kinross.net>
Subject: Planning and Zoning items

Hi Mark,

Planning and Zoning met this evening and approved a few items that will need to be put on the agenda for the Township Board meeting next week.

1- Data Center Moratorium ordinance
2- Land Division Ordinance update
3- Recommendation to hire Jared Norris for Zoning Administrator

I am planning on being in attendance in case there are any questions.

~Arthur

Subject: Re: Planning and Zoning items
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Mark W. Rice

From: Kathy Noel <kathynoel975@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 13, 2026 9:21:21 PM
To: lrobinson@kinross.net <lrobinson@kinross.net>; Mark Rice <markwrice@charter.net>
Cc: Arthur & Karen Brood <kabrood@gmail.com>
Subject: Agenda items for 10/19 Board meeting

1) Attached you will find two Ordinances, approved by the Planning Commission last night, we are asking the Board to consider the same at their meeting on Monday, the 19th.
2) The Planning Commission is asking that the Board consider its recommendation to hire Jerid Norris, to fill the position of Zoning Administrator, at Monday's meeting as well.
3) Information for scheduling purposes. If you will please share with the Board - there will be an information session, regarding data centers, on Monday, January 11, 2027 @ 6:30 PM at the Township Hall. We are hoping participants will include the Township Board, the Planning Commission, Chris Olson (Chippewa County EDC) and a prospective data center developer.

Thank you.
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Kathy L. Noel
29 Clubhouse Drive
Kincheloe, MI 49788
Phone: 906/495-5532
Cell: 906/440-3017
email: kathynoel975@gmail.com

LAND DIVISION ORDINANCE
KINROSS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
CHIPPEWA COUNTY, MICHIGAN
ORDINANCE NO. 21-A

AMENDMENT

Adopted: _____
Published: _____
Effective: _____

An ordinance to amend Section VI.A.5 of the Kinross Charter Township Land Division Ordinance to establish standards for additional land divisions following the termination of a condominium project and the allocation of former condominium common elements pursuant to the Land Division Act, 1967 PA 288, as amended.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF KINROSS ORDAINS:

SECTION I

AMENDMENT OF SECTION VI.A.5

Section VI.A.5 of the Kinross Charter Township Land Division Ordinance is hereby amended to read as follows:

5. Number of Resulting Parcels

The proposed division, together with any previous division or divisions of the same parent parcel or parent tract, shall not result in a number of resulting parcels greater than permitted under Section 108 of the Land Division Act, MCL 560.108, except as provided below.

Pursuant to MCL 560.108(6), land included within a condominium project may be divided into a greater number of resulting parcels than otherwise authorized by Section 108 when all of the following requirements are met:

A. Condominium termination.

The condominium project has been lawfully terminated under the Michigan Condominium Act, 1978 PA 59, as amended, or approval of the land division is conditioned upon the recording of documents lawfully terminating the condominium project.

B. Purpose of division.

The additional divisions shall be limited to those necessary to:

1. Establish separate fee-simple parcels corresponding to the former condominium units; and
2. Allocate the former general common elements or limited common elements among the resulting parcels.

C. Maximum number of parcels.

The total number of resulting parcels authorized under this provision shall not exceed the number of condominium units legally established within the condominium project immediately before its termination.

Former general common elements or limited common elements may be allocated among the resulting parcels but shall not be used to create additional parcels exceeding the number of former condominium units.

D. Application requirements.

The applicant shall file all of the following with the Township assessor or other official designated by the Township Board as part of the land-division application:

1. A completed Township land-division application;
2. A copy of the recorded condominium master deed and all recorded amendments;
3. The recorded condominium termination documents or copies of the termination documents prepared for recording;
4. Evidence that the condominium termination has been properly authorized;
5. Written proof of fee ownership of the land proposed to be divided;
6. A survey prepared and sealed by a professional surveyor licensed in the State of Michigan showing the boundaries and dimensions of each proposed resulting parcel;
7. A complete legal description for each proposed resulting parcel;
8. Copies of the proposed fee-simple deeds conveying each resulting parcel, including the applicable former general common elements or limited common elements, to the proposed owner;
9. Copies of all proposed easements, access agreements, utility agreements, maintenance agreements, or other documents necessary to serve the resulting parcels;
10. Proof that all applicable requirements of the Land Division Act and this Ordinance have been met; and
11. The application fee established by resolution of the Township Board.

The application shall not be considered complete, and the statutory review period shall not begin, until all required documents and information have been submitted.

E. Parcel requirements.

Each resulting parcel shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Land Division Act, this Ordinance, the Township Zoning Ordinance, and other applicable laws and ordinances, including requirements concerning:

1. Minimum parcel area and width;
2. Depth-to-width ratio;
3. Vehicular access;
4. Public or private road access;
5. Utility easements; and
6. Applicable zoning requirements.

F. Allocation of common elements.

Each former general common element or limited common element shall be:

1. Included within the legal description of a resulting parcel;
2. Divided and allocated among two or more resulting parcels; or
3. Conveyed to and combined with an adjoining resulting parcel.

No former common element shall remain without a legally identified owner following completion of the condominium termination and land division.

G. Conditional approval and proof of recording.

Approval of a land division under this provision shall be conditioned upon the applicant recording the condominium termination documents, fee-simple deeds, easements, access agreements, and other documents necessary to complete the approved division.

Following conditional approval, the applicant shall provide the Township with proof that the required fee-simple deeds and other documents have been recorded.

The land division shall not be considered complete, and the Township shall not finalize the resulting parcel numbers, ownership records, assessment records, or tax-roll records, until satisfactory proof of recording has been provided.

H. Expiration of conditional approval.

Conditional approval shall expire if the required documents are not recorded and proof of recording is not submitted to the Township within one year after approval, unless the Township grants a written extension for good cause.

I. Scope of approval.

Approval of a land division under this provision does not constitute or imply zoning approval, building-site approval, or a determination that a resulting parcel is suitable for development.

Approval shall not waive any requirement imposed by the Township Zoning Ordinance, building codes, sanitation requirements, environmental regulations, private restrictions, or other applicable laws or ordinances.

J. Ordinary land divisions unaffected.

Except for a land division expressly approved under the terminated-condominium provisions of this subsection, all proposed land divisions shall continue to be reviewed and approved under the ordinary requirements of the Land Division Act and the remaining provisions of this Ordinance. Nothing in this subsection modifies the application, review, approval, or recording requirements applicable to an ordinary land division.

SECTION II

SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any clause, sentence, word, section, or provision is declared void or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, that decision shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION III

REPEAL

All ordinances or portions of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed only to the extent of the conflict.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Charter Township of Kinross, Chippewa County, Michigan, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of an ordinance adopted by the Kinross Charter Township Board at a regular or special meeting held on _____, and that public notice of the meeting was given in accordance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act, 1976 PA 267, as amended.

_____

Township Supervisor

_____

Township Clerk

Date: _____

KINROSS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
CHIPPEWA COUNTY, MICHIGAN

ORDINANCE NO 1.143

ADOPTED: _____, 2026

EFFECTIVE: EIGHT (8) DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION AFTER ADOPTION

An Ordinance to make findings to protect the public health, safety, and welfare by establishing a temporary moratorium on data centers; to adopt an amendment to the Kinross Charter Township Zoning Ordinance to allow for temporary moratoriums generally; to implement a temporary moratorium on applications for data centers; to provide a term for the temporary data center moratorium; to provide for severability; to repeal all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith; and to provide an effective date.

KINROSS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
CHIPPEWA COUNTY, MICHIGAN

ORDAINS:

SECTION I
FINDINGS

In accordance with the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, PA 110 of 2006, as amended, Kinross Charter Township has determined the following:

1. The Township Board of Kinross Charter Township determines that the approval of data centers may result in or produce negative impacts on permitted land uses and development and may harm the public health, safety and general welfare of property owners and residents of the Township.

2. The Township Board is aware of significant public health, safety, and welfare concerns being raised by the public about the impacts of data centers.

3. The Township has a legitimate public purpose in assessing the regulation of the establishment and use of data centers within the Township to ensure that data centers do not interfere with other land uses, or have substantial negative impacts on the environment, public health, and safety.

4. The Township Board finds that adopting a temporary moratorium is reasonable and necessary for, among other reasons, the following:

   A. Michigan courts have recognized that a moratorium is a common and legitimate tool to preserve the status quo while formulating a development strategy.

   B. The adoption of a temporary moratorium would allow the Township Board and Planning Commission adequate time to study the public health, safety and welfare concerns regarding data centers and allow for any needed Zoning Ordinance amendment and implementation process to occur, including attention to and consideration of citizen input and involvement, public debate, and full consideration of all issues and points of view.

5. The Township Board accordingly determines that it is desirable and in the public interest for the reasons set forth above that the Board adopt a temporary moratorium for data centers.

SECTION II
ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT
ARTICLE XVIII – AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM OF ZONING ORDINANCE PROVISIONS

Article XVIII, "Administration and Enforcement", is hereby amended by amending Section 18.10 to be titled "Temporary Moratorium", which section shall read as follows:

1. The Township Planning Commission has the authority to recommend the establishment of a temporary moratorium as to the application provisions of the Township Ordinance to the Township Board, by majority vote of the Planning Commission. Said recommendation shall contain findings supporting the need for a temporary moratorium.

2. Upon such Planning Commission recommendation, the Township Board may impose a temporary moratorium as to the application of the provisions of the Township Zoning Ordinance by ordinance or resolution of the Township Board. The Township Board moratorium shall contain findings supporting the need for a temporary moratorium. The Township will post notice of the moratorium resolution on the Township website.

3. Such temporary moratorium shall be for a set amount of time but may be extended by resolution of the Township Board to allow additional time for Township review and consideration of the application, revision, review or repeal/replacement of zoning ordinance provisions. If an extension is adopted, the Township will post notice of the extension on the Township website.

SECTION III
DATA CENTER MORATORIUM

A temporary moratorium is imposed upon the acceptance and/or processing of any applications for data centers.

SECTION IV
TERM OF DATA CENTER MORATIUM

The data center moratorium imposed by this Ordinance will remain in effect for One (1) Year, or until amendments to the Zoning Ordinance regarding data centers become effective, whichever occurs first. Before this moratorium expires, the Township Board, on recommendation of the Planning Commission, may extend the moratorium by resolution as appropriate to allow additional time for Township review and consideration of the application, revision, review or repeal/replacement of zoning ordinance provisions. If an extension is adopted, the Township will post notice of the extension on the Township website.

SECTION V
SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any clause, sentence, word, section or provision is hereafter declared void or unenforceable for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect the remainder of such ordinance which shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION VI
EFFECTIVE DATE/REPEAL

This Ordinance shall take effect eight (8) days after publication of adoption. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

KINROSS CHARTER TOWNSHIP

_____, Clerk

_____