KINROSS CHARTER TOWNSHIP
REGULAR MEETING
September 8, 2026
7:00PM

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF AGENDA- September 8

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES- August 17

CONSENT AGENDA
- PAY BILLS
- REPORTS/CORRESPONDANCE
  - Police Board Meeting
  - DPW
  - Planning Commission Minutes
  - Historical Society Minutes
  - Township Investments
  - Balance Sheet Report
  - Cash Summary Report

SUPERVISOR REPORT

PUBLIC COMMENT (Limited to 3 minutes per person)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- MDARD Grant- September 16
- Neighbor Hood Watch

NEW BUSINESS
- DPW Hire- Heidi Lewis
- Tax Levy Resolution 2026-16
- Resolution 2026-17- 2% Historical Society
- Resolution 2026-18- 2% MIRA
- Verita Request
- Fire Department Hire- Caleb LeMarble
- Fire Department Quote- MaqQueen
- Golf Course Quote
- Township Insurance

PUBLIC COMMENT (Limited to 3 minutes per person)

Guest(s)

KINROSS CHARTER TOWNSHIP

CHIPPEWA COUNTY, MI

RESOLUTION 2026-17

Sault Sainte Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians 2% Funding Request

At a regular meeting of the Kinross Charter Township Board, called to order at 7:00 P.M. on the 8th day of September 2026 the following RESOLUTION was offered:

WHEREAS, Kinross Charter Township wishes to apply for the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians 2% Funding Request to assist in restoring inventory at the Kinross Heritage Park and Museum,

WHEREAS, Kinross Heritage Park is seeking grant funding in the amount of ten thousand dollars and zero cents ($10,000.00) by the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians the Township agrees to further restoration and preservation of the Kinross Heritage Park and Museum inventory.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kinross Charter Township supports submittal of an application to the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians for a $10,000 grant to assist with these events.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be made part of the official minutes of this meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Yeas:

Nays:

Absent:

The Clerk declared the Motion carried and the RESOLUTION duly adopted at a Regular Meeting held on September 8, 2026.

_____ _____

Loretta Robinson, Clerk Mark Rice, Supervisor

Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians

523 Ashmun Street, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783
Contact Person: Latisha Willette
Phone: (906) 635-6050 ext: 26310
Fax: (906) 632-6587
Email: lwillette2@saulttribe.net

2% Funding Request

Under the current agreement with the State of Michigan for gaming revenue sharing, 2% of the Tribe's gaming revenue is set aside and made available to **local units of government** as determined by the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

Sault Tribe requests involvement on projects responsible to government entities. Please describe the request that you would like presented to the Tribal Board for consideration. Upon completion of this form, please submit to your appropriate governmental agency for an authorized signature and documentation indicating governmental support for the project. If a governmental support letter is not included, the application will not be considered for 2% revenue share. **

Request submitted by (Unit of Government): Kinross Charter Township

Authorized Agent's Signature: _____ Phone# 906-495-5381

Print Agent's Name: Mark Rice Tax ID#: 38-2008295

Address: 4884 W. Curtis St. City: Kincheloe

Zip: 49788 County: Chippewa Sault Tribe Unit # 1

****Attach a copy of the Resolution or Memorandum indicating governmental support (Required)**

Project Name: Archival Processing and Storage of Inventory in the Kinross Military Museum

Project Agency: Kinross Historical Society Project Supervisor: Debra Young

Address (if different from above): P.O. Box 34, 6277 W. M-80, Kinross, MI 49788

Contact Telephone Number(s): 1-815-303-7444 Email: kinrosshistoricalsociety@yahoo.com

Project Cost: $ $25,522.00 Amount requested: $ $10,000.00 Other matching funds: $ $15,522.00

Has this project been previously submitted for consideration? No If so, When? _____

Was this project funded in the past? No Amount: $ _____ When: _____

Please give a description of the project, providing as much detail as possible. *Attach the full project budget, outline, and any other additional pages, including pictures, brochures or pamphlets* :

Please see attachment

Please describe how the existence of a casino has impacted the project or service of which this application represents.

Please see attachment

Please give a description of how 2% funding will assist in alleviating the impact generated by the local casino.

Please see attachment

Explain the plans for this project's sustainability if funded :

Please see attachment

- **Projects are awarded funding based on a number of factors; the availability of funds at the end of each 2% cycle, the project merit, and the potential benefit to communities. There may be other factors considered as well; i.e. project sustainability.**

Please be prepared for further inquiries by having a complete copy of your project application readily available. Applications must be received no later than March 31st for the Spring Distribution Cycle and September 30th for the Fall Distribution Cycle.

Date submitted: _____

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Date Received by Tribe: _____ Received by: _____

Method of submission: ___ US Mail ____ Fed Ex / UPS or DHL ____ Fax ____ Email

Approved / Not Approved (Circle One)

Unit # _____ Unit Director's Initials _____ _____ _____ _____ _____

Date Approved: _____ Amount Approved: $_____

SSM Tribe of Chippewa Indians 2% Funding Request
Attachment 1

Kinross Historical Society
Archival Processing and Storage of Inventory
Kinross Military Museum

Please give a description of the project, providing as much detail as possible.

The Kinross Military Museum is a 1900 square foot space devoted entirely to the US Military and Kincheloe Air Force Base. It was built in 2004 as an addition to the existing Heritage Museum which is located at the Kinross Charter Township Heritage Park on West M80, Kinross, MI. During the next five years, families of those who served in all branches of the US military including WWI and WWII through the Middle East conflicts, and from those who served at the Kincheloe Aire Force Base donated articles of military clothing, objects, photographs and memorabilia, newsprints, operations manuals, etc. The space quickly became crowded and in disarray until there was no way to effectively store, manage and display the growing inventory. In 2012 the museum closed and the contents were left unattended and prone to mice, mildew and deterioration in a space that had no climate control for the next 13 years. The Kinross Historical Society was formed in April 2025. We are determined to bring life back to the Military Museum and see that these items are restored, obtain secure archival storage systems, and create pleasing displays deserving of our Military. We plan to especially reserve a space commemorating the former Kincheloe Air Force Base and the role it played in protecting the vital Soo Locks and functioning as an air defense base during the Cold War. Our goal is to educate, inform, preserve and protect local history for future generations. A furnace and two dehumidifiers are now in place and operational. Cleaning and interior painting have begun, and we are now ready to proceed with restoration and storage of inventory. With the casino's help, we can begin proper restoration and preservation of the museum's historical records and inventory.

(Please see attached project budget and photographs)

Please describe how the existence of a casino has impacted the project or service of which this application represents.

The Kinross Historical Society recognizes the value of the casino and the taxes it generates. Our goal is to use these taxes to help the community connect its residents to the history of the area and to help create a sense of community among its residents. We hope to show the residents that the casino is dedicated to building a thriving community and that it is, indeed interested in helping to educate, preserve and protect the history of Kinross/Kincheloe and surrounding areas.

Please give a description of how 2% funding will assist in alleviating the impact generated by the local casino.

The 2% funding from the casino will help in the restoration of the Military Museum to a point where it will attract visitors to the area. We feel the Military Museum has the potential to attract more visitors than any other attraction in the Kinross Heritage Park and perhaps more than any other aspect of the Kinross/Kincheloe area. By awarding the 2% funding request, we can make great progress in assuring that the Military Museum and the history of Kincheloe Air Force Base will not be forgotten and visitors from all aspects of life can be welcome to the Museum.

Explain the plans for this project's sustainability if funded:

The Kinross Military Museum is the only space in the EUP dedicated entirely to the US Military and the Kincheloe Air Force Base. Once completed, this project will be self-sustainable as it attracts more visitors and tourists to the area. Residents, local businesses and organizations will see the project as a worthwhile endeavor and will feel secure donating money and buying memberships.

SSM Tribe of Chippewa Indians 2% Funding Request
Attachment 2

Kinross Historical Society
Archival Processing and Storage of Inventory
Kinross Military Museum

Project Budget:

Qty.	Item		
35	Professionally clean Military Uniforms	$30.00/ea.	$1050.00
50	Professionally clean Military Shirts, caps and miscellaneous Clothing items	15.00/ea.	750.00
10	Archival storage boxes for documents	25.00/ea.	250.00
3	Large archival boxes for storing hanging uniforms	174.00/ea.	522.00
30	Archival framing of photographs	45.00/ea.	1350.00
2	Wood display cases	250.00/ea.	500.00
2	Wall mounted flip-through document displays, 22 x 28	235.00/ea.	470.00
10	Acid free scrap books for newspaper articles and Personal Military Memoirs	15.00/ea.	150.00
4	Steel shelving to hold storage boxes and other items	195.00/ea.	780.00
	Replace fluorescent light fixtures with LED spotlights To prevent further damage to museum items		2300.00
	Custom built display cabinet to enclose and protect uniforms On mannequins		2900.00
10	Custom built wood pedestals with acrylic cases to showcase and protect Museum items	250.00/ea.	2500.00
	Large free-standing panels for historical educational information		4000.00
	Repaint cement floor with protective coating		500.00
	Security system with cameras		1500.00
	Restore damaged photographs (cost unknown)		
	Administrative, mileage and consultant fees (estimate)		4000.00
	Build small storage room for documents, historical records and uniforms		2000.00
	TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET COST		$25,522.00

Prices are taken from the following suppliers: U-Line Supply, Pingatore Cleaners in Sault Sainte Marie, Amazon, Hobby Lobby, Walmart, Staples. (Custom built items are estimates.)

KINROSS CHARTER TOWNSHIP

CHIPPEWA COUNTY, MI

RESOLUTION 2026-18

Sault Sainte Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians 2% Funding Request

At a regular meeting of the Kinross Charter Township Board, called to order at 7:00 P.M. on the 8th day of September 2026 the following RESOLUTION was offered:

WHEREAS, Kinross Charter Township wishes to apply for the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians 2% Funding Request to assist in Snowmobile trail improvements, maintenance and Grooming,

WHEREAS, Kinross Township/MIRA is seeking grant funding in the amount of nine thousand eighty eight dollars and zero cents ($9,088.00) by the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians the Township agrees to further assist in Snowmobile trail improvements, maintenance and Grooming,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kinross Charter Township supports submittal of an application to the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians for a $9,088 grant to assist with these events.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be made part of the official minutes of this meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Yeas:

Nays:

Absent:

The Clerk declared the Motion carried and the RESOLUTION duly adopted at a Regular Meeting held on September 8, 2026.

_____ _____

Loretta Robinson, Clerk Mark Rice, Supervisor

Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians

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2% Funding Request

Under the current agreement with the State of Michigan for gaming revenue sharing, 2% of the Tribe's gaming revenue is set aside and made available to **local units of government** as determined by the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

Sault Tribe requests involvement on projects responsible to government entities. Please describe the request that you would like presented to the Tribal Board for consideration. Upon completion of this form, please submit to your appropriate governmental agency for an authorized signature and documentation indicating governmental support for the project. If a governmental support letter is not included, the application will not be considered for 2% revenue share. **

Request submitted by (Unit of Government): _____

Authorized Agent's Signature: _____ Phone# _____

Print Agent's Name: _____ Tax ID#: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Zip: _____ County: _____ Sault Tribe Unit # _____

Attach a copy of the Resolution or Memorandum indicating governmental support (Required)

Project Name: SNOWMOBILE TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS / MAINTENANCE / GROOMING

Project Agency: SAULT STE MARIE SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION Project Supervisor: TOM BROWN, PRESIDENT

Address (if different from above): 1205 9TH STREET W, SAULT STE MARIE, MI 49783

Contact Telephone Number(s): 906-748-1468 Email: TBROWN1759@GMAIL.COM

Project Cost: $ 75,000 Amount requested: $ 9,088 Other matching funds: $ 65,000

Has this project been previously submitted for consideration? YES PARTIALLY If so, When? 2025

Was this project funded in the past? YES PARTIALLY Amount: $ 2,500 When: FALL 2025

Please give a description of the project, providing as much detail as possible. *Attach the full project budget, outline, and any other additional pages, including pictures, brochures or pamphlets* :

The Sault Ste Marie Snowmobile Association maintains approximately 110 miles of inter-connected snowmobile trails in the Eastern Upper Peninsula. Trail 49 is the only North-South trail connecting the Sault-Kinross-Pickford-Cedarville communities and directly to the Kewadin Casino via Trail 449. Trail 8 is the only East-West trail connecting the Sault to all points west. A new trail segment was approved from Trail 49 east to Barbeau - Pickford. Our trails always need significant maintenance and heavy brushing. Summer work involves trail improvements including culverts, bridges, ditching on all our trails plus equipment maintenance. Fall work involves brushing and signing.

Last fall we were able to make extensive improvements on Trail 449 (Kewadin Casino Spur from Seymour to the Casino Parking Lot). We had to contract with Pelican Services to complete the task. We also contracted with Pelican Services for brushing all trails including Trail 49. **Pictures attached**

All of this was at considerable cost. **Invoices attached-$9,088**

Kewadin Casino guests have noticed these improvements and their comments on our FB page are very positive. Winter work is trail grooming, signage and equipment repair. Trails are used by local residents and many visitors that come to the area to the Kewadin Casino and for snowmobiling. Trails are maintained and open, December 1 through March 31, under the guidelines of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Please describe how the existence of a casino has impacted the project or service of which this application represents.

The Sault Tribe Kewadin Casino draws additional visitors to the area many of which snowmobile with direct trail access to the casino. This means additional trail maintenance/grooming and equipment repair/maintenance on four groomers and drags.

Please give a description of how 2% funding will assist in alleviating the impact generated by the local casino.

The money will help cover cost incurred and the ongoing cost of brushing equipment and/or contract brushing. Equipment repair and maintenance cost are on going. **Our entire trail maintenance, grooming and equipment repair is done with volunteers. No one is paid.**

Explain the plans for this project's sustainability if funded :

The Michigan Snowmobile Trail System has a long history of growth and development. Much of which has been funded through user fees- Trail Permits. The Sault Ste Marie Snowmobile Association is a 501-c-3 organization with all volunteers. User fees will continue to fund basic operations. Much needed repair and maintenance cost is supported by fund raisers and donations.

- **Projects are awarded funding based on a number of factors; the availability of funds at the end of each 2% cycle, the project merit, and the potential benefit to communities. There may be other factors considered as well; i.e. project sustainability.**

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Method of submission: ___ US Mail ____ Fed Ex / UPS or DHL ____ Fax ____ Email

Approved / Not Approved (Circle One)

Unit # _____ Unit Director's Initials _____ _____ _____ _____ _____

Date Approved: _____ Amount Approved: $_____



Trail 449 Kewadin Casino Spur Seymour to Casino Parking Lot



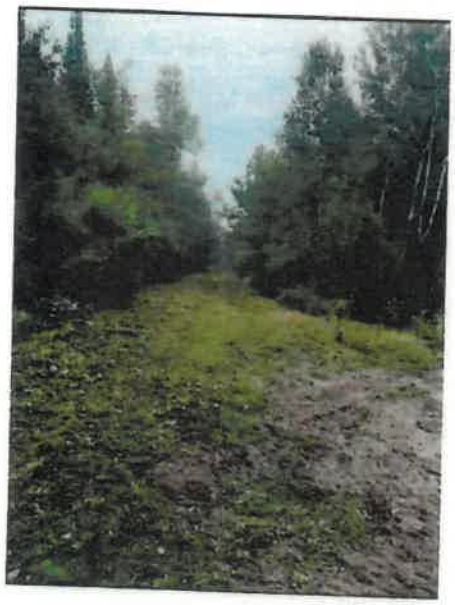




Trail 449 Improvements from Seymour to Casino Parking Lot







Trail 449 Improvements from Seymour to Casino Parking Lot

Trail 49 Brushing Sault- Kinross- Pickford (North)

INVOICE

Pelican Services LLC
549 W 6 Mile Rd
Sault Sainte Marie, MI 49783

pelican.servicesusa@gmail.com
+1 (906) 440-3084

Pelican Services
Call-660-0402

Bill to
Sault Ste Marie Snowmobile Assoc

Ship to
Sault Ste Marie Snowmobile Assoc

Invoice details
Invoice no.: 1237
Terms: Net 15
Invoice date: 11/06/2025
Due date: 11/21/2025

#	Product or service	SKU	Description	Qty	Rate	Amount
1.	Services		Bridge work			$1,900.00

Contact Pelican Services LLC to pay.

Total $1,900.00

Paid 11-7-25 PDT CHK IN MAILBOX NO ONE HOME

SOO BUILDERS SUPPLY CO., INC.

Invoice No 573379

Phone (906) 632-3384
Fax (906) 632-3385

705 Johnston Street
Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783-2398

Date 11/5/25

LUMBER-WINDOWS-DOORS-MOULDINGS

DEALERS IN

Andersen WINDOWALLS
U. S. Gypsum Produc
Paints & Hardware
Armstrong

Sold to [redacted] Sault Snowmobile Assoc.

Address

Deliver

A FINANCE CHARGE OF 1½% PER MONTH (18% ANNUALLY) WILL BE CHARGED ON ALL PAST DUE ACCOUNTS.

	PIECES	DESCRIPTION	FEET	PRICE		AMOUNT	
1	32	4x6-12' TREATED		21	50	699	0
2		SOLD @ COST AS A DONATION					
3							
4							
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11							

No TAX

Paid 11-7-25 HAND DELIVERED CHK

Received the above in good order.

Signed [signature]

TOTAL

ANY CLAIMS FOR SHORTAGE MUST BE MADE WITHIN 24 HOURS

CUSTOMER'S COPY

INVOICE

Pelican Services LLC
549 W 6 Mile Rd
Sault Sainte Marie, MI 49783

pelican.servicesusa@gmail.com
+1 (906) 440-3084

Pelican Services
Call-660-0402

Bill to
Sault Ste Marie Snowmobile Assoc

Ship to
Sault Ste Marie Snowmobile Assoc

Invoice details
Invoice no.: 1234
Terms: Due on receipt
Invoice date: 11/02/2025
Due date: 11/07/2025

#	Product or service	SKU	Description	Qty	Rate	Amount
1.	**Services**		Brush hog snowmobile trail to the specifications provided.			$5,500.00
2.	**Services**		Additional trail section at Spiral Dame Delirium			$1,000.00

Contact Pelican Services LLC to pay.

Total **$6,500.00**

Paid 11-4-25 #2390