

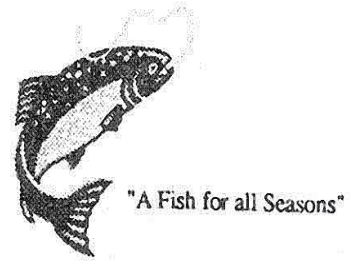


Fishery Advisory Board

Monroe County, New York

Adam J. Bello
County Executive

Steven Rutherford
Chair



Monroe County Fishery Advisory Board Meeting Minutes November 8, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was conducted via Zoom due to the Pandemic. A motion was made to accept the minutes, seconded and carried.

Website Update:

The website redesign is in progress and the new site will adapt to any screen size. The update is being funded by Visit Rochester. S. Olufsen will send out the website beta version of the website for members to review and provide feedback. Chad can be called at 585-414-5321 or emailed at chad@blueeyedesign.net with any questions.

Budget Update:

The board has \$2,656 remaining in the 2021 budget. Other planned budgeted expenses include \$550 for the LOC derby newspaper plus online advertisement and the annual website hosting and maintenance fee of \$828 for the website. Also the 2022 GetAways on Display contract will be discussed at the next meeting.

New Action Items:

W. Persall reported that DEC and the Canal Corporation have a cooperative agreement to look at tributaries to the west of Rochester for augmented flows and conservation easements for public access.

S. Olufsen reports that Visit Rochester has been contacted about a possible bass tournament on Irondequoit Bay. This would be held by Major League Fishing, another BASS type organization. This would bring top professionals into the area. Members expressed some concerns about the number of boats, parking, logistics, etc. Bill Sweitzer from NYS Canals also emailed to let us know there will be an "On the Water" television show filmed on Sandy Creek.

S. Rutherford reports that the Rt 19 parking lot on Sandy has been full for a couple of weeks, although most fish are upstream. There has been a mix of Kings and steelhead, and the water has been dirty. There has been a lot of trespassing, and there have been a lot of tickets written.

S. Furgal reported that she is applying for a grant for a workshop for the Charter Industry, for 4 regions, but to have one big meeting. She asked about possible venues.

Action Items Update From Last Month:

S. Olufsen talked to Parks and provided S. Fetrinelli with Christopher Kirchmaier contact information.

Irondequoit Bay- A survey was conducted by the Nature Conservancy and the Finger Lakes PRISM in August about excessive weed growth, good habitat but tough for boats. The shallows less than 12 feet have excessive weeds. R. Sacchelli reports great fishing, says the North end ramps are rough in the low water, and water clarity is as good as it has been in a while.

Other Business:

The meeting was adjourned at 08:00.