

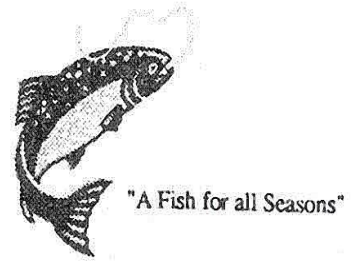


Fishery Advisory Board

Monroe County, New York

Adam J. Bello
County Executive

Steven Rutherford
Chair



Monroe County Fishery Advisory Board Meeting Minutes October 18, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. The meeting was conducted via Zoom due to the Pandemic. Scott Feltrinelli from Ontario Fly Outfitters was in attendance. Approval of the minutes was delayed due to lack of a quorum.

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. The Planning Department has been building access and other maps in GIS. It will be 4 to 6 weeks until the draft. 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.

New Action Items:

S. Feltrinelli provided a picture of a sign that he worked to have placed in Webster Park, that was vandalized. Someone spray painted over the corner where it says Monroe County Parks encourages Catch and Release. He wanted the board to get it fixed. The board offered contact information for the Parks Department. S. Olufsen will get Parks contact information for Scott. S. Feltrinelli was also looking for funding and assistance in installing these signs in other Parks that have streams. Observing that tributary limits are as restrictive as possible without complete prohibition, C. Knauf objected to anything that would imply to an angler that C+R was the policy of the Parks. F. Sanza asked if the signs couldn't be protected with Plexiglass or plastic. C. Knauf asked if anyone had tried cleaning the sign with solvent. S. Feltrinelli lectured on how most tributary anglers want more restrictive regulations, without citing any source for this "data".

The modifications to the Irondequoit Bay Harbor Management Plan will be out by the end of October.

There have been numerous blue green algae blooms in Canandaigua Lake.

Action Items Update From Last Month:

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.

Sea Grant is hoping to host a captain's conference and wants to involve more with new groups such as women, kids and tributary anglers as well.

W. Persall reported on the ripe nearly 70 lb female sturgeon captured in the Genesee River, the first major goal of this reintroduction effort is reached. Finding naturally reproduced babies will be the second milestone.

Other Business:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50