

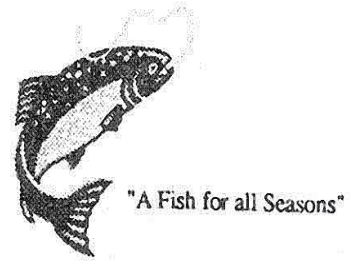


Fishery Advisory Board

Monroe County, New York

Adam J. Bello
County Executive

Steven Rutherford
Chair



Monroe County Fishery Advisory Board Meeting Minutes May 13, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Lance Lascari were in attendance from Seth Green Trout Unlimited.

Steve R. announced some sad news that Dr. Matthew Altenritter who was doing the bloater work for SUNY, passed away recently in March from stomach cancer.

Website Update:

Nothing new on website, but we have a signed proposal for 3,150.00 for the digital marketing campaign, which should have started, and should run for about 3 months. That leaves the remainder of the budget for webhosting. The new fishing brochures from Visit Rochester are out and passed out for members to see.

Budget Update:

With payment for the digital marketing plan the budget is now \$850. Estimated expenses are \$828 for the webhosting.

Action Items:

S. Furgal spoke briefly of the Lake Trout tagging project. She was asked if there will be real time data associated with this project. She replied that data will only be downloaded from each recorder about once per year. So far the data shows that Lakers move around a lot more than originally thought. Data from Lake Erie suggests that it may be possible to improve spawning success by “ vacuum cleaning” the spawning shoals, and this is being incorporated into the Lake Ontario project. She said that permitting is going to be an issue for this.

C. Knauf reported on the DEC report at the IBF&G Club the week prior. Mostly discussion of what a great season it has been so far, the new Brown trout strain being introduced to the Lake, changes in steelhead raising at the SR Hatchery, and development of a set of indicators for the Lake. Currently there are two, Alewife biomass, and King size at Age 3. C. Knauf also reported on the Adirondack Brook Trout Pond Plan web meeting. Lots of great information, major takeaway is that the draft plan will be coming out soon, and DEC wants lots of response.

S. Olufsen reported for Sam Zucco that the Pen rearing went well, 73-74 fish per pound, great growth rates, and they were stocked around the end of April.

L. Lascari reported that TU will be doing a presentation about debris removal from stream channels for the EMC.

Action Items Update From Last Month

Dave Agness and Lance Lascari from Seth Green Trout Unlimited talked about Irondequoit Creek being an excellent trout stream. They would like to educate and inform municipalities on how to remove down trees and wood from creeks. They understand the towns concern on removable of trees and wood due to the potential flooding impacts. Lance stated that careful consideration of the wood removal in the creeks will allow for better habitat for the trout and still accomplish mitigating of flooding issues.

Other Items:

W. Persall retired in April. The New Regional Fisheries Manager will be Michael DiSarno. The minutes of the October LOFAP panel are on the DEC website.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 PM.