

# Fishery Advisory Board

Monroe County, New York

Adam J. Bello County Executive

**Steven Rutherford** *Chair* 



## Monroe County Fishery Advisory Board Meeting Minutes August 9, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m due to the Pandemic. A motion was made to accept the minutes, seconded and carried.

### **Website Update:**

The email was sent out with a list of fishing access sites. S. Fetrinelli did descriptions for four sites: Mill Creek, Oatka Creek, Sandy Creek and Four Mile Creek. There are still more sites to be completed. Chad Lapa from Blue Eye Design sent a more detailed proposal for the website redesign and update. Visit Rochester will be covering additional web costs and a new brochure.

## **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. Olufsen updated the board on the Coastal Lakeshore Economy and Resiliency (CLEAR) Initiative. The survey was sent out to members last month.
- R. Sachelli and S. Olufsen discussed the heavy weed growth in the bay, there was much discussion of weeds and boats. Ray says the bass fishing is great, there is discussion at IBTS of weed harvesting, and what Permits are required. C. Knauf pointed out that the bay has been subjected to three seasons of unusually high water, during which emergents that grow to the surface have developed a lot of extra length which then lies over on the surface and creates mats, and it might be prudent to wait until next year to evaluate.
- 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.

Live Meetings: Steve is working on a location for everyone to meet in person next month.

### **Action Items Update From Last Month:**

S. Fetrinelli reported on the Niagara Flyfishing Outdoor Show, Part of the bigger Niagara show, to be held in February of 2022. Tables are available, contact Scott. It is the largest show in NYS.

The Town of Hamlin will be looking for input on its LWRP, and the County will be looking for input on an update to the Irondequoit Bay Harbor Management Plan.

#### **Other Business:**

The LOC Fall Derby will be held on August 20<sup>th</sup> – Sepetmber 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.