

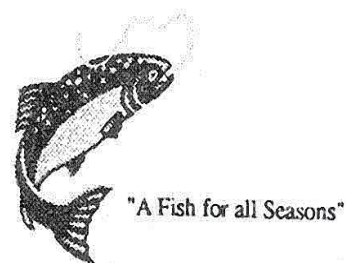


Fishery Advisory Board

Monroe County, New York

Adam J. Bello
County Executive

Steven Rutherford
Chair



Monroe County Fishery Advisory Board Meeting Minutes March 11, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. Dave Agness and Lance Lascari were in attendance from Seth Green Trout Unlimited.

Website Update:

A proposal was presented from Accountable Digital for the previously discussed 2024 digital marketing plan. The cost of the marketing plan is \$3,150. A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the marketing plan. Visit Rochester completed the new Monroe County fishing brochure and will send copies.

Budget Update:

The 2024 budget is \$4,000 and includes the \$828 for webhosting again in 2024.

Action Items:

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. Dave asked the board who might be good to talk to at the town level. Steve R. suggested Dave and Lance do a presentation the the Environmental Management Council (EMC) which is comprised of representatives from the county and town conservation boards. Steve R. is also the Town of Hamlin's representative on EMC and will contact them to see if Dave and Lance can give a presentation at one of the monthly meetings.

Action Items Update From Last Month

Chris Legard, Lake Ontario Fisheries Unit Leader, attended via zoom, to detail the Lake Bottom survey work and telemetry study involving 200 fish with the telemeters, NYSDEC is doing to characterize Lake Trout spawning habitat and identify sites for possible improvement.

Other Items:

W. Persall will be retiring in April. The New Regional Fisheries Manager will be Michael DiSarno. Atlantics to SR same time. There were good returns to Sandy Creek in fall 2023. The minutes of the October LOFAP panel are on the DEC website.

The meeting was adjourned at 08:20 PM.