

**Irondequoit Bay Coordinating Committee  
Technical Staff Meeting  
Penfield Town Hall  
November 19, 2020**

**Present:** Mike Allen, Chairman, Steve Olufsen of the Monroe County Department of Planning and Development, Matt Mackenzie, MCSD – Marine Unit, Noel Schalgeter, EMC Robert Call, NYSDEC, Jared Rock USCG Rochester, Kerry Ivers, Town of Irondequoit, Jim Costello and Mike O’Connor, Town of Penfield, Mike Damico, Town of Webster Conservation Board and Jane Shafer, Newport Yacht Club.

**A. Introductions:**

Chair: Mike Allen  
Scribe: Jim Costello

**B. Water Level Update:**

- Steve Olufsen reported that as of November 17<sup>th</sup>, the Lake Ontario water level is at 244.70 which is down from last month’s reading of 245.03 which is just a little bit above average for this time of year. It was noted that all boats are out of the Bay.

**C. Update of Dredging of Irondequoit Bay Outlet Channel:**

- Steve Olufsen stated that he attended a meeting with OGS and Weeks Marine last week. The presenters stated that the Irondequoit Bay Outlet is scheduled to be dredged in the summer of July 2021. Rob Call verified that the markings that were placed in the Bay and discussed at the IBTS meeting in September were put in place for sampling purposes as part of the permit application process. Kerry asked if there was a contact for complaints relating to improvements for the boat launch. Steve Olufsen said that he would follow up with OGS.

**D. Review of last month’s meeting notes and agenda:**

- Last month’s meeting notes prepared by Jim Costello were accepted as written.

**E. Project Updates and Reviews:**

• **Irondequoit –**

- Dealing with dock and break wall repairs.
- Work on REDI projects is on schedule.
- Work at the State Marine Park is underway and will continue during the winter.
- Mark MacMillan has applied for a NYSDEC Article 24 permit for repair work.
- Rob Call noted that there is a pre-application process in place at 1372 Bayshore Blvd. for a dredging request at that location in Irondequoit Bay.
- Rob also noted that he is receiving complaints regarding low water levels and people wanting to dredge their residential properties. He noted that no permit has been granted for residential dredging.
- Rob Call expects to schedule a Pre-App meeting soon as the REDI project archeological work has been completed.

- **Penfield –**
  - Jim Costello stated that the 98 unit apartment building at 1384 Empire Blvd. to be known as the Bellagio is now fully enclosed.
  - He noted that the Town Board granted site plan approval to construct a 60 unit apartment building on Wilbur Tract Road, on the south side of Empire Blvd. adjacent to the K2 Brewery and that construction will begin in the spring of 2021.
  
- **Webster –**
  - Mike Allen read Josh Artuso’s comments for Webster. He noted that the southern island at Held’s Cove went on the market for sale. Rob Call noted that any new construction on or to the island will be subject to Article 24 Permit Regulations. Kerry suggested that any interested parties use the NYSDEC Online Resource Mapper.
  - Rob Call stated that the owner at 211 Inspiration Point proposes to armor the shoreline and install fill material. He believes that 8” to 14” rip rap will be permitted as the bank is exposed and needs mitigation.
  - A proposal for a flood control wall on Lake Road is being reviewed.
  - The Town and the West Webster Fire District are still looking for dock area and have not been successful to date in finding one.
  - Two proposed single family homes on Lake Road are going to the ZBA for variances as they don’t meet lot area requirements.

**F. Other:**

**Harbor Management Plan Update:**

- Mike Allen reported that the committee meeting scheduled for later today has been canceled. The committee will meet again after the holidays to finalize its work.

**G. Next meeting – The meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 17th in Penfield, NY at has been cancelled. The IBTS will reconvene in January 2021.**

**Parking Lot:**

- None

**Meeting adjourned at 10:10 A.M.**