

**Irondequoit Bay Technical Staff
Technical Staff Meeting
Zoom Meeting
March 25, 2021**

Present: Mike Allen, Chairman, Steve Olufsen of the Monroe County Department of Planning and Development, Andy Sansone, Monroe County Department of Environmental Services, Bill Emblidge, Monroe County Department of Environmental Services Matt Mackenzie, MCSD Marine Unit, Robert Call, NYSDEC, Kerry Ivers, Town of Irondequoit, Jim Costello, Town of Penfield, Mike O'Connor, Town of Penfield, Mark McMillian, McMillian Marine, Allison Mayer, Mayers Marina, Chief Jarrod Rock, USCG, Jane Shafer, Newport Yacht Club, Noel Schlageter, EMC

A. Introductions:

Chair: Mike Allen

Scribe: Steve Olufsen

B. Water Level Update:

- Steve Olufsen reported that as of March 24th the Lake Ontario water level is at 244.32 ft, which is lower than the historical average (245.05 ft) at this time of year.

C. Discussion with Marina & Club Operators:

- There was a discussion of the water levels. Allison Mayer said she knows the water is lower but wasn't as concerned as the lake levels usually start increasing in April and peak in June.
- Allison asked about when the launch would be open at the Irondequoit Bay State Marine launch. Kerry Ivers said she thinks the launch will be open by mid to late May but it depends on the construction schedule.
- Allison said that Mayers Marina is the only launch available to the public on the bay right now and she has limited room and parking capacity for boaters launching for the day.
- It was noted that Sutters Marina has no public launch and SouthPoint charges \$25 as a launch fee.
- Jane Shafer updated the group on the wave break project at Newport Yacht Club. They are working on the design for the wave attenuation devices.

D. Water Quality Update - Andy Sansone from MC DES:

- Andy Sansone gave a PowerPoint presentation outlining the history and current monitoring of the water quality on Irondequoit Bay. There was a discussion and questions related to the presentation.

E. Review of last month's meeting notes and agenda:

- The notes were accepted as written.

F. Project Updates and Reviews:

- **Irondequoit –**
 - Break wall replacements
 - 667 Seneca Road
 - 688 Building Lot EPOD
 - I-Bay State Marine Park project
 - Shoreline project by Sutters and I-Bay west County Park
 - Bay Shore Blvd sewer project and installation of a pump station to service 29 houses that will be connected to the sewer.
 - Rob Call updated the group on the Seneca Road water main project is available for public comment through April 8th. NYS DEC also has projects at Sutters Marina, Newport Yacht Club, and RT Masters building elevation project.
- **Penfield –**
 - Jim Costello updated the group on the 98 unit apartment building at 1384 Empire Blvd. to be known as the Bellagio. The building is complete and the CFO was applied for by May 17th.
 - There will also be Empire Blvd Road improvements to extend the middle travel lane.
 - Brody's on the Bay will be the new restaurant at SouthPoint Marina, it should be opening around May 5th.
- **Webster –**
 - Josh Artuso updated the group on the 4 REDI projects. Three out of the four projects are 60% designed.
 - Parkland alienation process to accommodate Lake Road and make more flood resilient wall to Sandbar Park.
 - Fire Dept still looking for a place to dock.
 - Dock and break wall replacement is in the works for StoneyPoint.
 - Received inquiry for a boat USA time share for boaters. They used to be at Newport Marina but are not allowed there this season.
 - Allison said those kind of boat share operations can have issues. She was not interested in having them dock at Mayers.

G. Other:

Harbor Management Plan Update:

- Next meeting is on Friday, the plan is coming along good and will share draft with the group once completed.

H. Next meeting – The meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 22nd through Zoom meeting.

Parking Lot:

- None

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 A.M.