Irondequoit Bay Technical Staff
Technical Staff Meeting
Zoom Meeting
February 25, 2021

Present: Mike Allen, Chairman, Steve Olufsen of the Monroe County Department of Planning and Development, Clement Chung, Monroe County Department of Environmental Services, Matt Mackenzie, MCSD Marine Unit, Robert Call, NYSDEC, Kerry Ivers, Town of Irondequoit, Bob Kiley, Town of Irondequoit, Jim Costello, Town of Penfield, Mike O’Connor, Town of Penfield, Mark McMillian, McMillian Marine, 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 February 23rd the Lake Ontario water level is at 244.47ft, which is lower than the historical average (244.82 ft) at this time of year.

C. Update on Irondequoit Bay State Marine Park Project & Fishing Derby Date:
   ➢ Kerry Ivers explained she was contacted by Jessica Franco regarding a fishing charity event scheduled for August 6th from 6am to 12pm. There was discussed and it was determined to be an event that would not require any permit.
   ➢ Bob Kiley gave an extensive update on the Irondequoit State Maine Park REDI project. The project is on schedule and is 75% completed now. The improvements include a playground which has already been finished. The parking lot elevation was increased and a stormwater pump station was installed to eliminate flooding on the parking lot. The boat launch docks were extended 10ft longer and the ramps for the launches are 15ft longer. Transient floating docks will also be installed so boaters can dock and enjoy the many restaurants in the area. The docks will also be used for police, fire and USCG. There will also be an ADA fishing access platform add by the swing bridge. Sidewalks will be improved and more parking spaces will be added as well. There will also be a kayak launch and with handicap accessibility.

D. I-Bay Jet Ski Rental Proposal:
   ➢ Kerry Ivers informed the group that she had received a proposal and questions about starting a jet ski rental business on the bay. Mark McMillian stated that he would be against this proposal because of inexperience of people renting jet skies. Also this would most likely tie up the boat launch area for people wanting to launch boats. Liability and insurance concerns would be an issue as well if someone were to get injured. Jim Costello stated that a permit would be required if it were to operate out of a marina.
E. Review of last month’s meeting notes and agenda:
   ➢ There was a change to last month’s meeting notes. Mike O’Conner will be added to the attendance list, the notes were accepted as written.

F. Project Updates and Reviews:

   • Irondequoit –
     ➢ Working on some break wall replacement. Kerry suggested setting a standard for professional engineer drawings for all break wall replacements.
     ➢ 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 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.
     ➢ Mike O’Conner talked about the REDI projects scope changing to raise the pump station about flood elevation.

   • Webster –
     ➢ No update.

G. Other:

   Harbor Management Plan Update:
   ➢ Steve Olufsen reported that the committee is finishing up the plans layout and mapping. It will share the plan with the group once the draft is finished.

H. Next meeting – The meeting scheduled for Thursday, March 25th through Zoom meeting.

   Parking Lot:
   ➢ None

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 A.M.