

**IBTS Meeting Notes**  
**March 24, 2022**  
**Town of Penfield Town Hall**

**Present:** Steve Olufsen (Monroe County Department of Planning and Development), Rochelle Bell (Monroe County Department of Planning and Development), Kerry Ivers (Town of Penfield), Mike O’Conner (Town of Penfield), Josh Artuso (Town of Webster), Donna Martello (Town of Irondequoit), Rob Call (NYSDEC), Andy Sansone (MCDES), Mike Allen (IBTS Chairman), Jane Shafer, Newport Yacht Club, Alison Mayer, Mayer Marina and Mark McMillan, McMillan Marine.

**In Attendance:** Robert Bowman and Angie Killips, Stoney Point HOA, Tony Czarnecki, Irondequoit Fish and Game Club, Ahmed Mustafa, NEQALS/Boater, Noel Schlageter, Resident

**Water Level Update – Steve Olufsen**

- Average levels: 245.1
- Today’s level:246.3
  
- Outflows Average: 7350 m3/second
- Current Outflow:8640 m3/second
  
- Average weekly supply: 8007/second
- Total Weekly supply: 9070/second

Marina and Club Operators and Owners:

Stoney Point Marina –

- Sign will be installed at their marina. Asking about how they will be provided/installed.
  
- Proposing a program that addresses a solution for weed management.
- Legislator Herbert and Long have been contacted to develop a program
  
- Bay is owned by NYS (managed through OGS). Entire Bay is protected by Article 24 Freshwater Wetland. Some areas also have additional regulations to protect other features (Coastal Erosion Hazard Area and habitat protection)

Tony - Irondequoit Fish and Game Club

- Discussed the cause of the weeds (invasive species).
- Swans are an issue (4 times the size of Canada geese). Swans are contributing to the weeds via fertilizer.
- Discussed past DEC efforts to remove swans from the area.
- Can this be looked at?
- At least 100 observed at the south end. Maybe as many as 200 total.

Rob Call relayed that the egg oiling occurred this past spring (2021), which was the first time since 2013. Hopefully these efforts will provide some results to reduce the population.

Website –

[www.irondequoitbay.org](http://www.irondequoitbay.org)

Andy and Steve provided an overview of the website.

Various suggestions were made for improvements, changes, additions. Some highlights included:

- E-mail should be set up auto-reply
- Add a map with key points for anyone viewing while on the bay
- Add emergency information
- Other layout and content changes were suggested
- Andy and Steve will work with the Monroe County staff to make whatever changes are deemed appropriate for the County website.

New Bay Signage

- Steve showed the new signs being made and will be ready for installation Mid May
- Mark McMillan asked about signage

Review of last month's meeting notes

#### Irondequoit

- One application going to ZBA – 1198 Bayshore Blvd.  
Size of dock needs variance (Hearing 4/4/2022)
- DEC reported deck application along Bayshore (383 Bay front Lane N.)

#### Penfield

- Howitt project (Bay View Estates) has initiated with EPOD permit (tree clearing)
- 1200 Empire is being marketed for sale
- REDI project for raised sewer pump station is in design development

#### Webster

- 1008 Glen Edith – violation for earthwork
- REDI projects and Sandbar Park project – permitting is underway and proceeding according to plans. The Town has issued request for restaurant operators. Internal committee will review received proposals for selection
- One of the last approved parcels on lake avenue was under review by ZBA for variances needed.

## Other Items

- Mary Austerman (Sea Grant) offered to send out information that could be shared ahead of time and will attend next month's meeting to review in more detail.
- Steve shared and update that the Harbor Management Plan draft is currently being reviewed by NYS DEC.
- Ahmed shared an upcoming free boating training program he will be offering. First weekend in April.