Irondequoit Bay Technical Staff Meeting Notes

Penfield Town Hall and on Zoom

May 26, 2022

Present: Mike Allen (Chairperson), Steve Olufsen (Monroe County), Kerry Ivers (Penfield), Mike O'Conner (Penfield), Josh Artuso (Webster), Rob Call (NYSDEC), Andy Sansone (Monroe County), Chief Matt Riesberg (USACE), Sgt. Matt McKenzie (MCSO), Mary Austerman (NY Sea Grant)

Other In Attendance: Mark McMillan (McMillan Marine), Allison Mayer (Mayer Marine), Robert Bowman (Stoney Point)

Water Levels

Current level is higher than last year's average, however they seem to be decreasing.

Current outflows are higher than last year's average.

Mary Austerman Update

Grant funding is available to implement resiliency projects identified in existing plans. Simple application format, but direct reference to plan (page number) is needed.

Sign Updates

MCSO reported that the new signs have been installed at the channel entrance and markers and public launch. They are forthcoming on the private marinas. The Bluffs declined to install one at their location.

Andy Sansone reported that the County created signage to educate about invasive species that can be used to educate boat launchers the steps they need to take to avoid

Abandoned boats Follow up

Boat on the shore of lakeshore continues to be a problem. Hull is compromised. Owner doesn't have funds to remedy the situation. MCSO has relocated to it their fleet garage. But they will be absorbing the costs associated with the tow and storage. Reluctant to take the boat from the Bay and face the same situation. Excessive costs associated with removal are not budgeted and will be a burden to the MCSO.

Future funding for marine debris could be used to address the abandoned boats

Boating Season

- Law enforcement is ready for opening season this weekend. Promoting early enforcement to help get the word out that violations will be ticketed.
- Allison was asked her thoughts about how increased gas prices impact the boating season. She
 shared that her docks are almost sold out so not expecting big change. Additionally she said
 when gas prices are high, boaters will anchor and raft off the boats.

Town Updates

<u>Irondequoit</u>

 Bay Village Condos - shoreline revetment project and boat launch improvements in the application phase with DEC

<u>Penfield</u>

- Update on REDI project 60% bid documents/construction specs are done
- Update on the projects that will require a turning lane on Empire Blvd at Wilbur Tract Lane
- Update on waterfront property for sale at 1200 Empire Blvd.

Webster

- Construction underway at Sandbar Park and the roadway project
- Down to one-way access, controlled by a temporary signals that open the road from one direction or the other. The road will have one lane travel throughout the season (through
- Malfunction over the weekend, signal wasn't working. Working with the construction manager to correct timing to avoid future issues
- Selective tree removal is underway
- Allison reported the "local traffic only" sign is very small and difficult to read; Josh will alert construction management
- Single family home under review on Lake Road
- Inspiration Point proposed permanent dock and hoist. Town did not think the location and length would work (blocked the cove)
- 1008 Glen Edith Drive 3 contiguous parcels located in EPOD district. Owner widened out a gravel drive and paved over it. Issue is in code enforcement. Dock installed does not conform to the permit issued by DEC. DEC has sent enforcement notification.
- Webster FD looking for a dedicated dock and hoist location. No Town properties are viable and no private land owners would/could make a deal. The project may not be viable at this time.

Stoney Point Shared Updates

- Sign is up at dock and has been very informative to the residents
- \$300K in damage due to high water
- Miko Sullivan is the contractor and they can't get the docks until October

• No wake buoys installed; Webster rescue boats are docked there; boaters are not complying with the posted no-wake

Weed Survey

Water quality monitoring is ongoing. MC is monitoring the weed conditions in the Bay when they do water quality sampling.