

**Irondequoit Bay Technical Staff Meeting**  
**Zoom Meeting Room**  
**4/27/23**

**Present:**

**A.** Mike Allen, Chairman; Steven Olufsen (Monroe County); Mike O'Conner (Penfield), Rob Call (DEC), Jim McGee-(Irondequoit Bay Fish and Game Club) , Sgt. Matt McKenzie (Monroe County Sheriff's Office-Marine Unit), Josh Artuso (Town of Webster), Karen Berger (U of R professor) and Jessica Whitney (U of R student); Jane Shafer (Newport Yacht Club), Kerry Ivers (Town of Penfield), Mark McMillan (McMillan's Marine) ; Donna Martello (Irondequoit); Erin McGee (Irondequoit); Allison Mayer (Mayer's Marina)

**B. Water Level Update**

- The current level is 246.59 feet (average: 245.73 feet) above average.

**C. REVIEW OF LAST MONTHS MEETING MINUTES:**

- Donna should be added in the attendance

**D. Discussion U of R Presentation regarding (Story Map Project):**

- Presentation by Jessica Whitney (U of R student) of an overview of the draft story map for the Irondequoit Bay. Key points included the including history of the Bay, interactive map of the bay with key locations marked and linked to additional information (e.g. marinas, parks, etc.), fishing and licensing information, invasive species and wetland information.

Some feedback / comments:

Story Map

- Would love to use actual images
  - Mike Allen / Allison may have photos that could be used
  - RSM may have imagery and information on historic uses
- Might want to consider historic uses timber / ice cutting operations, native American history of the bay.

Interactive map

- Devils cove park - Add water access only
- Bulldog boating flag. Likely should be removed.
- Many of the Culver Rd restaurants can't be reached by boat (except near seabreese). Restaurants shown should only be the ones in walking distance.
- McMillian marina doesn't sell gas. Sutters/Mayers Marina are the only ones have with gas
- Pumpout station at Sutters Marina

Fishing page

- Good detail on regulations / species id / invasive species notice
- Should add a life jacket reminder (must be worn Nov1-May1)

## **E. Project updates and reviews:**

### **Irondequoit**

- Avondale waterline project permit under review – resubmission received by DEC and is under review.
- RT Masters (975 Empire) town and NYSDEC permits issued and work is underway
- 667/673 Seneca Rd – NYSDEC extended permit for demo and rebuild
- 1262 Bayshore – NYSDEC issued a permit for patio replacement
- 351 Bay Front LN N - NYSDEC issued a permit for dock work
- 162 Schnackel Drive – Proposed expansion to deck (town/DEC doesn't have any concerns)
- Woodridge Apt Pumpstation – NYSDEC reviewed; no jurisdiction for replacement
- Newport Marina – dock repairs are underway
- USGS monitoring station – Application under review by DEC, not sure if local permitting is needed

### **Penfield**

- REDI project design – 90% drawings from the Town of Penfield
- 1401 Empire – potential development – developer should be pointed to DEC for jurisdiction review

### **Webster**

- 243 Pebble Beach = NYSDEC Permit issued for garage improvements
- Glen Edith house construction – report that utilities moved and constitution soon
- 1048 Sunset Trail – home under construction
- Fish Island – Town provided owner with much of the history
- 181 and 185 Lake Rd - Town issued permits work starting
- Redi Floodwall – Construction is underway and should be done by the end of the year
- Redi Pumpstation – Construction essentially complete
- 1008 Glen Edith Drive – NYSDEC is in discussion with engineer regarding remedies for the permitted work on the bluffs and reviewing an application for dock.

## **F. Harbor Management Plan Update**

Steve circulated a revised draft HMP yesterday to an internal group for review. Trying to plan an internal meeting May 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> (or TBD).

## **G. Other**

**Irondequoit Bay Rod and Gun Club** - concerns with Phragmites near their property and Snider Island. Advised to set up a preapplication meeting with the NYSDEC biologist to discuss options.

**Abandoned Boats** - MCSO has hired Gibbs for the removal of abandoned boat on west shore of the bay to Southpoint.

**Irondequoit Bay State Marine Park** – Operations have been switched from town to NYS Parks. No significant changes expected with change.

**Next Meeting: 4/25/23**