



Fishery Advisory Board

Monroe County, New York

Adam J. Bello
County Executive

Steven Rutherford
Chairperson



Monroe County Fishery Advisory Board Meeting Minutes July 14, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:16 p.m.

Aaron DeRuyter was present from Seth Green Trout Unlimited.

Website Update:

The technical issues Accountable Digital had been experiencing prior to June were resolved last month and ads continue to run successfully. They will run through August 2025.

Budget Update:

The 2025 budget is \$4,000. The Google ad campaign cost is \$3,150 and the web hosting allotment is \$828 which leaves a balance of \$22.

Action Items:

S. Olufsen shared that the Regional Dredging Council (RDC) is moving forward. The Council consultant has been in contact with Monroe County and is currently gathering information from marina owners at the harbors.

M. DiSarno noted that the new Region 8 Fisheries Manager is Brad Hammers. Additionally, the new Caledonia Hatchery Manager is Michelle Poprawski, formerly of the Catskills Hatchery.

C. Kirchmaier with Monroe County Parks shared that a tree fell in Powder Mills Park and damaged the fishing platform. A DEC permit was issued to remove the tree and root ball as well as manage erosion problems.

A. DeRuyter provided an update on Irondequoit Creek signage. Thus far several towns have approved the signage and others are still in process.

Action Items Update from Last Month:

A public meeting hosted by the Lake Ontario Charter Boat Association was held on Monday, June 3 at the Irondequoit Fish and Game Club. The NY DEC Bureau of Fisheries was present and participated in the discussions.

S. Olufsen shared information on the Regional Dredging Council (RDC). The consultants engaged by the RDC will be conducting an economic impact analysis for the area. As part of this effort, local marina contacts have been provided for all Irondequoit Bay, Braddock Bay, Sandy Creek, and the Long Pond Outlet. The analysis will support the development of a comprehensive report, expected by October, which will provide critical data on the frequency and volume of sediment removal required from the navigation channels. This information will help guide long-term planning and resource allocation for harbor maintenance and regional economic development.

Other Items:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM