

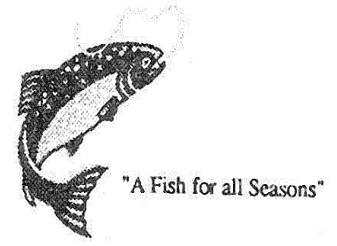


Fishery Advisory Board

Monroe County, New York

Adam J. Bello
County Executive

Steven Rutherford
Chairperson



Monroe County Fishery Advisory Board Meeting Minutes April 13, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Website Update:

Google ads will start running in April and go through July.

Budget Update:

The Board's budget for 2026 was approved for \$4,000.

Action Items:

S. Olufsen shared samples of the Lake Ontario Sportfishing Promotion Council (LOSPC) brochures and handed out copies to the group. These brochures will be passed out at the winter sports shows for LOSPC.

B. Hammers explained that NYDEC is placing freezers out for collection of walleye heads at Sodus Bay. This is to support studies to determine walleye age and growth which helps inform them on population and growth rates.

He also stated pen stocking and hazing is taking place on various tributaries including the Genesee River and Sandy Creek among others.

B. White is seeking support for the Monroe County Offshore Classic. The tournament will take place on June 26th and 27th, 2026

C. Kirchmaier shared that the annual trout derby at Powder Mills Park has been moved to April 18, 2026 due to high water levels.

B. Hammers said the Riedman Foundation, who operates the Fish Hatchery at Powder Mills Park, released 3,600 – 4,000 Atlantic salmon into Irondequoit Creek. Additionally, he stated NYDEC and partner organizations released 50,000 Atlantic salmon into Sandy Creek and another 50,000 in Oak Orchard Creek.

Action Items Update from Last Month:

R. Venvertloh noted he did not have any new updates regarding his review of the Parks Master Plan but is continuing to go through it and bring up opportunities to the board.

Other Items:

L. Lascari shared that S. Furgal is planning a woody debris workshop in the fall. More details to come.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM