

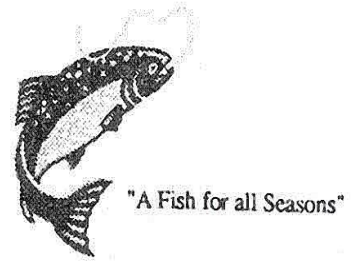


# Fishery Advisory Board

Monroe County, New York

**Adam J. Bello**  
*County Executive*

**Steven Rutherford**  
*Chair*



## Monroe County Fishery Advisory Board Meeting Minutes February 10, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. The minutes were approved as submitted.

### Website Update:

The board is working on getting an update on the Google Analytics for the Monroe County fishing website located at [www.fishingmonroecounty.com](http://www.fishingmonroecounty.com).

### Budget Update:

There is \$1,992 remaining in the 2020 budget. The GetAways on Display distribution plan for the rack cards was paid for at the cost of \$2,008. Other 2020 budgeted expenditures include the LOC derby advertisement (\$500) and the annual fee for the website maintenance (\$828).

### New Action Items:

J. Strong announced that he had thought about it and would like to be Vice Chairman. R. Sachelli made a motion to have Jim Strong as Vice Chairman, it was seconded and passed. From the previous meeting Steve Rutherford remained as Chairman, Jim Strong at Vice Chairman, and Charlie Knauf remained Secretary.

Genesee Charter Boat Association Flea Market will be on Sunday March 8, 2020 from 9AM to 2PM at the Port Authority Building. (Ferry Terminal) 2nd floor off 1000 N. River Street at the end of the Genesee River. Admission is free.

S. Zucco reported that the Harrisburg Show was well attended. He attended the Great American Outdoor Show show representing MCFAB and helping at the LOSPC booth. S. Zucco had some brochures left over from the show and distributed copies to members at the meeting. There were 1,200 new brochures delivered to LOSPC that will be distributed at fishing sports shows with Lake Ontario Sportfishing Promotion Council (LOSPC). New rack cards are also being designed and will be printed for distribution at local Visit Rochester displays and through regional areas in Pennsylvania and Delaware with GetAways.

It was announced that Legislator appointments for the Fishery Advisory Board are Majority Party members The Honorable Frank X. Allkofer, Minority Party member The Honorable Ernest Flagler-Mitchell.

Web Pearsall emailed and said that the DEC State of the Lake meeting may be moved to the fall instead of having it in March.

S. Rutherford asked if the MCFAB could obtain more funding. S. Olufsen asked if the board could come up with a list of what the money would be spent on. There was a discussion and a list was created including: kids, senior and individuals with disabilities fishing events, marketing the fishery plus distributing more brochures or rack cards, pen rearing nets or supplies and educational programs for NYS boating certificates which will be required by 2025.

At the last meeting MCFAB members were asked to reach out to any local clubs or organizations they are on regarding if there were any reports of odors or other evidence of continuing coal tar seeps in the vicinity of the gorge face at the lower falls. Nobody has seen or heard of any reports or coal tar seeps in the Genesee River gorge. There was a motion made to write a letter to Wade Silkworth of the Monroe County Department of Public Health confirming that MCFAB has not heard of any reports.

### Action Items Update From Last Month:

The Monroe County Offshore Classic will be held on Saturday June 27, 2020 at the Port of Rochester. More information can be found on the Monroe County Offshore Classic Facebook Page or contacting Matt French at 585-737-9364.

LOSPC is looking for a listing of all Charter Captains, top ports in the County, top tributaries in the County, and other information to be used to promote the area. The board discussed and agreed that the top ports were Port of Rochester and Irondequoit Bay. The top tributaries were the Genesee River, Irondequoit Creek and Sandy Creek.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm.