

# **TOWN OF PORT REXTON**

## **Minutes**

### **Emergency Meeting**

**Wednesday, August 13, 2025**

**6:00 P.M.**

#### **Meeting held in the Recreation Room**

Present at the meeting were:

**Mayor Dean Bailey  
Councillor Eldon Bannister  
Councillor Chris Kelly  
Councillor Shirley Clark**

**Deputy Mayor Wanda Rex  
Councillor Janice Hayward  
Councillor Roland Taylor**

**Staff Present: Town Clerk/Manager: Cathy Piercey  
Office Staff Assistant: Tina Toope**

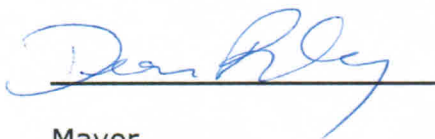
Mayor Bailey convened the meeting at 6:00 pm.

#### **Skerwink Trail Closure**

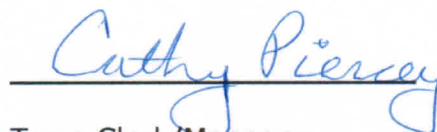
Due to the extreme hot weather and dry conditions there is a big concern for local area residents regarding the large amounts of people still using the Skerwink Trail. There has been no rain and ongoing windy conditions with the hot weather has made conditions worsen each day. Local area residents of Trinity East have taken upon themselves to advise people to stop using the trail. Last night somebody had placed rope/ribbon across the trail entrance to block people from using it. Mayor Bailey said this could of caused an accident and was a safety hazard that had to be removed. Mayor Bailey has been in contact with MHA Craig Pardy. There has been no order from the Provincial Government to close down trails across the province at the present time. Hike Discovery have sent out a message regarding the concerns of residents. Fox Island Trail has shut down. After a brief discussion it was put to council to make a motion to close the Skerwink Trail until conditions improve for the safety of our residents/visitors and the preservation of the trail.

**MOTION #73 – 2025 – Rex/Clark; resolved that the Skerwink Trail will shutdown immediately, August 13, 2025 and will be reviewed August 17,2025 with an update as to when it will reopen. All seven members present in favour, resolution carried.**

Notices to be posted on the town website, facebook page, post office and local businesses. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.



Mayor  
Dean Bailey



Town Clerk/Manager  
Cathy Piercey