

TOWN OF PORT REXTON

Minutes

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, July 9, 2025

6:30 P.M.

Meeting held in the Recreation Room

Present at the meeting were:

**Mayor Dean Bailey
Councillor Janice Hayward
Councillor Roland Taylor**

**Councillor Eldon Bannister
Councillor Chris Kelly
Councillor Shirley Clark**

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

Regrets: Deputy Mayor Wanda Rex

Visitors: Sarah Agnew, Patricia Connolly, Lois Long

Mayor Bailey called the Council Meeting to order at 6:30 pm and asked for the adoption of the agenda for this meeting.

MOTION #58 – 2025 – Bannister/Hayward; resolved that the agenda for this meeting shall be adopted as presented. All six members present in favour, resolution carried.

Mayor Bailey then asked if there are no errors or omissions, for a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on June 11, 2025.

MOTION #59 - 2025 – Kelly/Bannister; resolved the adoption of the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 11, 2025. All six members present in favour, resolution carried.

REPORTS AND BUSINESS ARISING

Fire Department

No one from the fire department was in attendance. Mayor Bailey reported it was brought to his attention of possible excessive speeding at a recent Fire Call. Will follow up with Fire Chief/Deputy Fire Chief on the matter.

Heritage Society

No report from the Heritage Society as Deputy Mayor Rex is not in attendance at the meeting.

Recreation Commission

Councillor Hayward reported the advertising is all done for the Port Rexton Days (July 11-13, 2025). It was a good idea to partner up with the Heritage Society for the planning/preparations/co-hosting of the Port Rexton Days. If the fireworks are going to take place (fireban at present time) they will be posting on Facebook a way to help alleviate the stress on animals. There have been 2 sessions so far of the Summer Sports Program and seems to be going good with a fair number of children enrolled. They have ordered 4 loads of sand to get prepared for the beach volleyball program that will take place later on this summer. Will split the cost with the council. Billing to follow. No event was held for Canada Day as not enough people available to help organize.

Waste Site

Mayor Bailey reported there was a Waste Site facility inspection done on June 25/25 with some deficiencies to address. Rims have to be removed from tires at site and do not accept any more tires unless rims are removed. Need to have tires and scrap metal removed (Newco Metals have already been called). Pushback/clean up of the Waste Site facility is done and looks in good shape. 2 new Fire Extinguishers were purchased as the other ones could not be recharged.

Hike Discovery

No report from Hike Discovery as Deputy Mayor Rex is not in attendance at the meeting.

Otter House

Councillor Kelly reported they had a recent meeting and they were pleased there were no objections/submissions for current Amendments. There is a scheduled land/area walk of the Otter Housing location on July 14/2025. More technical drawings of the building/site to follow.

CORRESPONDENCE

- A Letter received from Jacob Piercey of Bishop White School looking for support for travel costs to St. Catherine's, Ontario in July 2025 while participating in training/competition representing NLVA Canada Cup Travel Team. Councillor Hayward removed herself from the discussion as she is related to the person (son).

Motion #60 – 2025 – Clark/Bannister; resolved that Council will give Jacob Piercey of Bishop White School \$250.00 to help offset travel costs to St. Catherine's, Ontario this summer for NLVA Canada Cup Travel Team. Five members present in favour, resolution carried.

- A Letter received from Caleb Bailey of Bishop White School looking for support for travel costs to St. Catherine's, Ontario in July 2025 while participating in training/competition representing NLVA Canada Cup Travel Team. Mayor Bailey removed himself from the discussion as he is related to the person (son).

Motion #61 – 2025 – Bannister/Clark; resolved that Council will give Caleb Bailey of Bishop White School \$250.00 to help offset travel costs to St. Catherine's, Ontario this summer for NLVA Canada Cup Travel Team. Five members present in favour, resolution carried.

FINANCES

The financial summary for June 1 - 30, 2025 that was included in Council member's meeting documents was briefly discussed.

Expenditure

June Invoices Paid:	\$9,297.17
Pre-Authorized Payments/Payroll:	\$17,122.03
Total	\$26,419.20

Revenue

June 1 - 30, 2025 Income:	Total	\$8,445.28
Taxes, Interest, Hall/Chair Rental, Dock Fees		

General Account Bank Balance June 30/2025: \$87,001.93

The **June Budget Revenue/Expense Summaries** distributed to Council was discussed at some length and questions asked/answered on various parts of these reports. Regarding these reports and the foregoing financial report a motion was made.

MOTION #62 – 2025 – Taylor/Hayward; resolved the acceptance of all monthly financial reports, the approval for payment of all regular monthly bills, and confirms payment of related invoices as submitted that have been paid to date. All six members present in favour, resolution carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Follow up discussion on the Municipal Plan and Development Regulations Amendments #2, 2024 and Municipal Plan and Development Regulations Amendments #3, 2025. As there were no objections or representations for consideration to the Public Hearing Notice that was scheduled for July 2, 2025 the Public Hearing was cancelled. As such, these Amendments may now be considered by council for approval.

MOTION #63 – 2025 – Bannister/Kelly; resolved that Council hereby adopts Municipal Plan Amendment #2, 2024 in accordance with Section 16 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, and

MOTION #64 – 2025 – Kelly/Bannister; resolved that Council hereby approves Municipal Plan Amendment #2, 2024 in accordance with Section 23 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, and

MOTION #65 – 2025 – Kelly/Hayward; resolved that Council hereby adopts Development Regulations Amendment #2, 2024 in accordance with Section 16 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, and

MOTION #66 – 2025 – Hayward/Kelly; resolved that Council hereby approves Development Regulations Amendment #2, 2024 in accordance with Section 23 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, and

MOTION #67 – 2025 – Hayward/Kelly; resolved that Council hereby adopts Municipal Plan Amendment #3, 2025 in accordance with Section 16 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, and

MOTION #68 – 2025 – Kelly/Hayward; resolved that Council hereby approves Municipal Plan Amendment #3, 2025 in accordance with Section 23 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, and

MOTION #69 – 2025 – Taylor/Bannister; resolved that Council hereby adopts Development Regulations Amendment #3, 2025 in accordance with Section 16 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, and

MOTION #70 – 2025 – Bannister/Taylor; resolved that Council hereby approves Development Regulations Amendment #3, 2025 in accordance with Section 23 of the Urban and Rural Planning Act, 2000, and

Further, be it be resolved that Municipal Plan and Development Regulations Amendments #2, 2024 be submitted to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Community Engagement for registration, and

Further, be it be resolved that Municipal Plan and Development Regulations Amendments #3, 2025 be submitted to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Community Engagement for registration. All six members present in favour, resolutions carried.

- Chase Jones has been hired for the Canada Summer Job Program. This is a 8 week program running from July 7 – August 29, 2025. Tasks include lawn cutting, painting, general maintenance around the town and helping out with the Recreation Committee's Summer Sports Program.

NEW BUSINESS

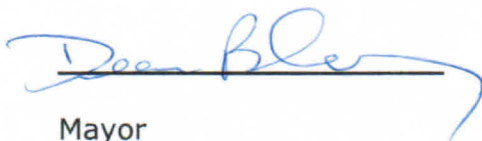
- A Zoom Meeting was held with Bobbi Skanes (Tract Consulting) Barb Warren (Town of Trinity) and Cathy Piercey (Town of Port Rexton) on June 27/25 to discuss upcoming funding projects. FCM has funding available for Municipalities up to \$70,000.00. This funding generally covers Asset Plan Management and Climate Change Adaptation Plans. If we partner up with the Town of Trinity we could qualify for 100% of the funding. If council proceeds with the application process there is no cost to the town if we do not get approved.

Motion #71 – 2025 – Kelly/Hayward; resolved that Council will go ahead with the application process with Tract Consulting partnering up with the Town of Trinity. Six members present in favour, resolution carried.

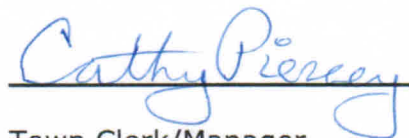
- Upcoming Waste Management meeting in Port Union, July 16/25 to further discuss the Waste Site facilities on the Bonavista Peninsula. Town Clerk/Manager will attend plus some members of council. Update to follow.

- Kick off for Port Rexton Days is Friday, July 11/25 with a Skerwink Trail hike at 1PM and 3PM sign unveiling at the Port Rexton Brewery. SAM will present the town with our 2 new signs (1 for the highway, 1 for Skerwink Trail). SAM would like to see as many people possible for the event plus councillors to be in attendance.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm on a motion, **2025 #72 (Clark/Bannister)**. Next regular meeting, August 13, 2025.



Mayor
Dean Bailey



Town Clerk/Manager
Cathy Piercey