SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA

November 18, 2026, 6:30 PM
Municipal Office, 82 Main Street, Rexton, NB, E4W 5N4

1. Call to Order.

Actual Start Time: _____

2. Attendance.

Chair:

Council (In Person):

Council (Virtual):

Council (Absent):

Clerk:

Staff:

Others:

3. Approval of Agenda of the Special Meeting on November 18, 2026.

Motion 111826.01
BE IT RESOLVED that the council of Five Rivers approves the agenda, as submitted by the clerk, for its special meeting of council on Wednesday, November 18, 2026.
Moved by _____ | Seconded by _____.

4. Disclosures of Conflict of Interest.

5. Business Arising from Prior Meeting.

a. **2027 GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET**. The following changes have been made to the proposed General Operating Budget for 2027 as presented to council at its Special Meeting on Monday, November 9.

- Previously estimated rental revenue from the Lion's Club has been reduced to $0.
- The Assessment Fee from the province has been increased to the actual cost of $113,151.
- The cost for snow clearing for Rexton and all three Fire Stations has been increased.
- To address projected decreases in revenues and increases in costs, capital reserve allocations have been reduced and minor reductions have been made to other line items.

Motion 111826.02

The Council of Five Rivers resolves that the sum of $5,607,924 shall be the total operating budget of the local government for 2027 and that the sum of $5,129,185 shall be the Warrant of the local government for 2027. The Council of Five Rivers further resolves that the residential tax rate for Rexton shall be 1.3550, the non-residential tax rate for Rexton shall be 2.1000, the residential tax rate for Richibucto Parish shall be 0.7025, the non-residential rate for Richibucto Parish shall be 1.0889, the residential rate for both Harcourt and Weldford shall be 0.7500, the non-residential rate for both Harcourt and Weldford shall be 1.1625, and the heavy industrial rate for Weldford shall be 1.1625.
Moved by _____ | Seconded by _____.

Motion 111826.03

WHEREAS the Government of New Brunswick has established property tax stabilizer rates for municipalities across the province for 2027, and

WHEREAS the Government has set the residential property tax stabilizer rates of 1.3255 for Rexton, 0.6658 for Richibucto Parish, 0.7350 for Weldford, and 0.07606 for Harcourt, and

WHEREAS the Government has set the non-residential property tax stabilizer rates of 2.155 for Rexton, 1.0640 for Richibucto Parish, 1.1745 for Weldford, and 1.2155 for Harcourt, and

WHEREAS the Government has set the heavy industrial property tax stabilizer rate for Weldford at 1.2292.

BE IT RESOLVED that council approves the property tax rates established under motion 111826.02 to:
(a) promote tax rate fairness among the former Local Service Districts of Harcourt, Weldford, and Richibucto Parish;
(b) generate adequate funding to maintain our level of general services, protective services, and recreation and cultural services;
(c) generate adequate funding to offset the rising cost of fuel, energy, and other goods and services, as well as the rising cost of waste collection services, policing services, and regional services;
(d) maintain competitive non-residential and heavy industrial tax rates; and
(e) build adequate capital reserve funds to acquire and maintain the assets and

infrastructure that provide for our transportation services and protective services.
Moved by _____ | Seconded by _____.

b. **2027 WATER & WASTEWATER OPERATING BUDGET**. The following changes have been made to the proposed Water & Wastewater Operating Budget for 2027 as presented to council at its Special Meeting on Monday, November 9.

- The base fee for wastewater service has been increased from $465 to $488 (5%).
- The official deficit from the province of $33,695 has been entered as an expenditure.
- To balance the budget, the total reserve allocation has been reduced to $143,501.

Motion 111826.04
The Council of Five Rivers resolves that the sum of $425,996 shall be the total operating budget for Water and Wastewater for 2027, which includes an allocation of $143,501 for the wastewater capital reserve fund.
Moved by _____ | Seconded by _____.

6. New Business.

a. N/A.

7. Closed Meeting.

Motion 111826.05
To exit open session and go into closed session.
Moved by _____ | Seconded by _____.

a. Local Governance Act, Section 68(1)(g), litigation or potential litigation affecting the local government or any corporation referred to in subsection 8(1) or 116.1(1), the local government's agencies, boards or commissions including a matter before an administrative tribunal.

Motion 111826.06
To exit closed session and return to open session.
Moved by _____ | Seconded by _____.

8. Motions Arising from Closed Meeting.

a. **Motion 111826.xx**
Be it resolved that…
Moved by _____ | Seconded by _____.

9. Date of Next Meeting(s).

a. Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting: Tuesday, November 24, 2026.

b. Regular Meeting: Tuesday, December 8, 2026.

10. Adjournment.

Time: _____

Motion 111826.07
To adjourn meeting of Council.
Moved by _____ | Seconded by _____.