REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

June 10, 2025, 6:00 PM

Municipal Office, 82 Main Street, Rexton, NB, E4W 5N4

1. Call to Order.

The mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Attendance.

COUNCIL (IN PERSON):	Tina Beers	Mayor
	Billy Flanagan	Councillor / At Large
	Mike Robertson	Councillor / Ward 2
	Elaine Warren	Councillor / Ward 4
COUNCIL (VIRTUAL):	Katie Robertson	Councillor / At Large
	Karen Campbell	Councillor / Ward 1 / Deputy Mayor
COUNCIL (ABSENT):	N/A	
CLERK:	Rob Webber	
STAFF:	Tiffany Cail	Assistant Clerk
	Nathalie Elward	Assistant Treasurer
	Emily Pratt	Community Development
	Marley Burke	Recreation & Events Coordinator
GUESTS:	Jan Manger	
	Ricky Robertson	
	Kevin Rice	
	Danik Savoie	
	Anya Trites	
	Lena Cormier	

3. Approval of Agenda of Regular Meeting on June 10, 2025.

Motion 061025.01

Be it resolved that Council approves the agenda, as submitted by the Clerk, for its regular meeting on June 10, 2025.
Moved by: COUNCILLOR FLANAGAN | Seconded by COUNCILLOR WARREN
MOTION CARRIED.

4. Disclosures of Conflict of Interest.

No conflict of interest was declared.

5. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting on May 13, 2025.

Motion 061025.02

Be it resolved that Council approves the minutes, as submitted by the Clerk, for its regular meeting on May 13, 2025.
Moved by: COUNCILLOR M. ROBERTSON | Seconded by DEPUTY MAYOR CAMPBELL
MOTION CARRIED.

6. Correspondence, Presentations, Petitions.

a) Presentation: Ricky Robertson/ Jan Manger (TransAqua operations in Five Rivers).

b) Presentation: Danik Savoie (Regional Transportation Service from KRSC).

c) Presentation: Lena Cormier (funding for Greenwood Lodge).

d) Correspondence: Elections NB Letter – Confirmation of Councillor Resignation.

e) Correspondence: Kent Solid Waste Report.

f) Correspondence: Memo re: Subunit Adjustment Process (Jennifer Wilkins, DELG, GNB).

g) Correspondence: Memo re: Amended Regulations (Jennifer Wilkins, DELG, GNB).

h) Correspondence: Report from Office of Provincial Security Advisor: Vehicle Ramming Attacks.

i) Correspondence: Canada Housing Infrastructure Fund (CHIF) funding process (Francis Rioux).

j) Correspondence: Comfort Centre Activities (Melissa Pageau).

k) Correspondence: UMNB Update & Minister proposal to invoke Forest Fires Act.

l) Correspondence: Vitalité – Mental Health Walks.

m) Correspondence: Heavy Industrial Revenues information session.

n) Correspondence: NB Human Rights Commission Newsletter.

o) Correspondence: Spotlight on Local Excellence.

7. Mayor and Councillor Reports.

a. Mayor Tina Beers.

b. Deputy Mayor Karen Campbell.

c. Councillor Billy Flanagan.

d. Councillor Katie Robertson.

e. Councillor Mike Robertson.

f. Councillor Elaine Warren.

8. Committee Reports.

a. By-Law and Policy Committee Meeting: May 8, 2025.

b. By-Law and Policy Committee Meeting: May 21, 2025.

9. Staff & Department Reports.

a. CAO Report.

b. Finance Report.

c. Community & Recreation Report.

d. Public Works Report.

10. Business Arising from Prior Meeting.

a. PROPOSED BY-LAW C.O2.01: POLICE PROTECTION SERVICES.

Motion 061025.03

Be it resolved that Council approves the first reading of proposed By-Law C.02.01: POLICE PROTECTION SERVICES.
Moved by: DEPUTY MAYOR CAMPBELL | Seconded by: COUNCILLOR M. ROBERTSON
MOTION CARRIED.

b. PROPOSED POLICY P.02.01: PROCUREMENT

Motion 061025.04

Be it resolved that Council approves the first & final reading of Policy P.02.01: Procurement.
Moved by: COUNCILLOR M. ROBERTSON | Seconded by: DEPUTY MAYOR CAMPBELL
MOTION CARRIED.

10. Business Arising from Prior Meeting. (cont.)

c. PROPOSED POLICY P.03.01: SCHEDULES OF MUNICIPAL FEES AND CHARGES.

Motion 061025.05

Be it resolved that Council approves the first and final reading of proposed POLICY P.03.01: Schedule of Municipal Fees and Charges.
Moved by: DEPUTY MAYOR CAMPBELL | Seconded by: COUNCILLOR FLANAGAN.
MOTION CARRIED WITH NOTED AMENDMENTS.

d. PID 25141375 PURCHASE & SALE AGREEMENT. Council is asked to approve the Purchase & Sale Agreement (PSA) for PID 25141375. The purchase price is $4000 per acre as previously agreed. The PSA contains a buy-back clause if development does not take proceed as planned within five years.

Motion 061025.06

Be it resolved that Council approves the Purchase & Sale Agreement for PID 25141375 as submitted to Council, with further amendments as deemed necessary or appropriate by the CAO.
Moved by: DEPUTY MAYOR CAMPBELL | Seconded by: COUNCILLOR M. ROBERTSON
MOTION CARRIED.

10. Business Arising from Prior Meeting. (Cont.)

e. REQUEST FOR SUPPORT (TRANSAQUA). TransAqua has started transporting biosolids from its facilities in Moncton to Five Rivers, where they are converted into compost and offered to local residents at no charge. According to Kevin Rice, General Manager of TransAqua, "*the same amount or a little less volume will be transported to Five Rivers this year [as] compared to last year*."

Regarding environmental concerns, Rice reported that "*There has been no change to the environment in the area of the compost facility. We continue to follow the Approval to Operate sampling and testing conditions for East Brook that has not indicated any changes in the brook water quality as a result of this operation. Please be reminded that composting operations on this site have been happening for well over 30 years and the detailed testing completed a few years ago do not indicate any negative environmental impacts of the operation to the surrounding environment. No EIA is required. The Commission can review this and determine if any further action is required*."

When asked if the Commission may consider compensating Five Rivers for its operations in Five Rivers, Rice was not sure if compensation was permitted under the current commission legislation. However, Rice did advise the Council of Five Rivers to adopt a motion to submit a formal request to the Commission in writing, so the Commission could respond in writing.

When asked if Five Rivers could add a representative to the 6-member Commission Board, comprised of 2 members each from Riverview, Dieppe, and Moncton, Rice commented that such an action would require a legislative change to be approved by the province.

Motion 061025.07

Be it resolved that Council approves the CAO to write a letter to the Greater Moncton Wastewater Commission to request further compensation for its operations in Five Rivers, with the final letter to be reviewed and approved by the Mayor.
Moved by: COUNCILLOR K. ROBERTSON | Seconded by: DEPUTY MAYOR CAMPBELL
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion 061025.16

Be it resolved that Council approves the CAO to write a letter to the Province of New Brunswick to request that a Five Rivers council member become a member of the Commission Board, with the final letter to be reviewed and approved by the Mayor.
Moved by: COUNCILLOR WARREN | Seconded by: COUNCILLOR FLANAGAN
MOTION CARRIED.

10. Business Arising from Prior Meeting. (Cont.)

f. LAGOON ASSESSMENT. The Municipality has received a scope of work from the engineering firm CBCL to assess the condition and capacity of the municipal lagoon. The quoted cost to perform this assessment is just under $10,500. Through three engagements with engineering firms (Gemtec, Dillon Consulting, CBCL), it is clear that the lagoon requires important repair and maintenance work, which the assessment will help us to identify and action.

Motion 061025.08

Be it resolved that Council approves the engineering firm CBCL to assess the condition and capacity of the lagoon for an approximate cost of $10,500.
Moved by: DEPUTY MAYOR CAMPBELL | Seconded by: COUNCILLOR FLANAGAN
MOTION CARRIED.

11. New Business.

a. DRAFT RFP FOR INDUSTRIAL PARK PROPERTY (PID 25140823). Council is asked to approve the release of the Request for Proposal (RFP) as submitted to sell the municipal property located on PID 2510823 in the Industrial Park. The RFP represents the municipality's intention to sell municipal assets through an open public tender/RFP process. Council is also asked to approve the subdivision of PID 25140823 into two lots, north and south, to optimize development of the property.

North Lot

South Lot

Motion 061025.09

Be it resolved that Council approves the administration to release the Request for Proposal document as submitted to Council to facilitate the sale of the municipal property located at PID 25140823, with further amendments as deemed appropriate by the CAO.
Moved by: DEPUTY MAYOR CAMPBELL | Seconded by: COUNCILLOR M. ROBERTSON
MOTION CARRIED.

11. New Business. (Cont.)
a. DRAFT RFP FOR INDUSTRIAL PARK PROPERTY (PID 25140823).

Motion 061025.10

Be it resolved that Council approves the administration to subdivide the municipal property located at PID 25140823 into two lots: a north lot and a south lot.
Moved by: COUNCILLOR M. ROBERTSON | Seconded by: COUNCILLOR WARREN
MOTION CARRIED.

b. FIVE RIVERS FESTIVAL ("ROOTS & RIVERS"). The Municipality proposes the establishment of a new annual festival in Five Rivers. The inaugural event will take place at Bonar Law Commons and the Rec Centre, opening on Thursday, July 24 and closing on Sunday, July 27. Council is asked to approve up to $8500 in funding for this event, which will become a signature event for the municipality.

Motion 061025.11

Be it resolved that Council approves $8500 in funding for the inaugural Roots and Rivers Festival.
Moved by: DEPUTY MAYOR CAMPBELL | Seconded by: COUNCILLOR FLANAGAN
MOTION CARRIED.

c. DEVELOPER REQUEST FOR VARIANCE. Under section 3.2.5 of the Rexton Rural Plan, "*a main structure shall not be placed, erected, or altered in such a way that it is less than 7.5 meters from a public street line*." In the graphic below, the developer (Manuel Development) seeks to construct a duplex on PID 25144312 (29 Brait Street) that is 3.5 meters from Brait Street. The distance between the red and yellow lines in the second graphic below is approximately 3.5 meters. The graphic shows several houses on Brait Street with setbacks of 3.5 meters or less (see 15, 17, 19, and 33 Brait Street). As well, Council recently approved a 2.5-meter setback for a building project at 103 Main Street.

11. New Business. (Cont.)

*c. D*EVELOPER REQUEST FOR VARIANCE.

Motion 061025.12

Be it resolved that Council approves a variance that would permit the construction of a duplex on the property at 29 Brait Street (PID 25144312) with a 3.5-meter setback from Brait Street.
Moved by: COUNCILLOR FLANAGAN | Seconded by: DEPUTY MAYOR CAMPBELL
MOTION CARRIED. COUNCILLOR WARREN VOTED NAY.

d. MUNCIPAL GRANT REQUEST.

Motion 061025.17

Be it resolved that Council accept and approve the Municipal Grant Application from REXTON LIONS NURSING HOME in the amount of $700.
Moved by: COUNCILLOR M. ROBERTSON | Seconded by: COUNCILLOR WARREN
MOTION CARRIED.

Motion 061025.18

Be it resolved that Council accept and approve the Municipal Grant Application from FRIENDS OF THE BENGALS in the amount of $500.
Moved by: COUNCILLOR M. ROBERTSON | Seconded by: COUNCILLOR WARREN
MOTION CARRIED.

12. Closed Session.

Motion 061025.13

To enter closed session.
Moved by: COUNCILLOR FLANAGAN | Seconded by: COUNCILLOR M. ROBERTSON.
MOTION CARRIED.

a. MUNICIPAL GRANT APPLICATIONS REVIEW. Local Governance Act, Section 68(1)(c), information that could cause financial loss or gain to a person or the local government or could jeopardize negotiations leading to an agreement or contract.

b. MOU FOR RECREATION CENTRE. Local Governance Act, Section 68(1)(c), information that could cause financial loss or gain to a person or the local government or could jeopardize negotiations leading to an agreement or contract.

12. Closed Session. (Cont.)

c. GREENWOOD LODGE. Local Governance Act, Section 68(1)(c), information that could cause financial loss or gain to a person or the local government or could jeopardize negotiations leading to an agreement or contract.

d. ADMINISTRATION REVIEW. Local Governance Act, Section 68(1)(j), labour and employment matters, including the negotiation of collective agreements.

Motion 061025.14

To exit closed session and return to open session.
Moved by: COUNCILLOR FLANAGAN | Seconded by: COUNCILLOR WARREN
MOTION CARRIED.

13. Date of Next Meetings.

a. Committee of the Whole Meeting: June 24, 2025.

b. Regular Meeting: July 8, 2025.

14. Adjournment.

Motion 061025.15

To adjourn meeting of Council.
Moved by: COUNCILLOR WARREN | Seconded by: COUNCILLOR FLANAGAN
MOTION CARRIED.

Tina Beers, Mayor

Rob Webber, Clerk