

WINTER NEWSLETTER 2024-2025

FIVE RIVERS

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Message from the Mayor

Seasons Greetings to all,

I want to begin by welcoming our new Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Rob Webber to the municipality of Five Rivers team, we are confident his administration skills, knowledge and municipal experience will guide our municipality positively into the coming years. In the new year, Council and CAO Webber will be reviewing the Five Rivers Strategic Plan to update and ensure the strategic objectives outlined in the document are implemented.

In 2024, Five Rivers Council and staff have developed and reviewed the Five Rivers Human Resources Manual and several other policies. We must keep legislation relevant by developing, amending, and rescinding bylaws and policies as necessary, to better guide our municipality.

To the Five Rivers Municipal Staff, I would like to thank you for your hard work and dedication to our community; your professionalism, skills and work ethic are well appreciated and we are very fortunate to have you!

To the members of our Municipal Council, Karen Campbell (Ward 1), Mike Robertson (Ward 2), Kelly Pidgeon (Ward 3), Elaine Warren (Ward 4) and Councillors at Large, Billy Flanagan and Katie Robertson, I sincerely appreciate your dedication and the work you have done this year on matters brought before Council.

To the residents of Five Rivers, thank you for your patience and support as we continue to strive for improvement and excellence in our community.

May the best of the season be yours, Merry Christmas to all!

Tina Beers, Mayor
Five Rivers



Meet our CAO

On a wintery Friday evening many years ago, I played a regular season high school basketball game at Bonar Law Memorial School. It was the mid 80's and I was a member of the visiting Riverview Royals. Unlike most games back then, the stands were packed with vocal and enthusiastic fans. It was a fun and memorable night.

A few weeks ago, after a meeting with Mayor Beers and other members of Council, I accepted their offer to become the next CAO of Five Rivers, starting in December.

For the past three years, I have been the CAO in Hartland, New Brunswick, home of the world's longest covered bridge, a rural community much like Five Rivers. Before that, I had worked 25 years in the telecom sector for several companies, including Nortel and Xplornet.

A few months after starting my new career in Hartland, the province announced plans for municipal reform. A few weeks after that, Hartland was approved to build a new community centre. So, throughout 2022 and 2023, Hartland was busy adjusting to amalgamation and constructing a new centre. Last year, a few of us drove to Beaurivage to see the Imperial Kent North Centre, because it featured the same Honco building design that our centre would use, passing through Five Rivers on our way.

A few weeks ago, on Friday, November 15, Hartland welcomed 750 people to the public opening of the Day & Ross Community Centre. The Hartland Huskies played their first game at our new centre that night. It was a milestone event for Hartland and one that I was very proud to be part of. Better still, the Huskies won.

I now look forward to serving the Council and the people of Five Rivers, a wonderful community with great land, history, and potential. Starting Monday, December 2, I will be working with staff and Council to ensure that we provide great services for residents and pursue opportunities for growth and development.

See you soon.

Rob Webber, CAO
Five Rivers



Events & Activities

St. Andrews United Church

21 Water Street, Rexton

St. Andrews United Church invites you to join us for upcoming special events and services during the Season of Advent.

Memory Tree Service

Sunday, December 15, 2024 at 9:30am.
Memory bulbs are \$10.00 each and may be purchased from:
Shelley Beers (506.523.9226) or Heidi Warren (506.523.3738).

Christmas Eve Service

Tuesday, December 24, 2024 at 7pm.

Weekly Worship

Every Sunday at 9:30am
(no service Dec 29).

Wishing all a peace-filled season and blessings for the New Year!

Rexton Lions Club

145 Main St. Rexton

Rexton Lions Bingo: Every Monday.
Doors open 5pm, mini bingo 6:10pm, regular bingo 7pm. Canteen provides hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, etc.

Once a Month Supper Special: details to be announced on our social media.

Valentine's Day Raffle:

Tickets are \$10 and are available for purchase at the Lions Club events, and the Kent County Veterinary Hospital.

1st Prize: 2-night stay at Creekside RnR Luxury Dome (Cocagne).

2nd Prize: 2 bottles wine and a tour of Richibucto River Wine Estates.
Drawing February 5, 2025.

New Years Eve Karaoke Dance Party:

December 31st 8pm-1am
DJ by Chris. \$10/ticket.

Harcourt Legion

6471 Route 116, Harcourt

New Years Dance

Tuesday, December 31st, 2024.



Bass River Public Hall

20 Fearon Cross Rd, Bass River

Monitor their socials for upcoming events!

Rexton Sports & Recreation Centre

49 Centennial W Ave, Rexton

The outdoor public rink will be open to the public this winter! Please use caution as this site is not monitored. For more information, please contact the Municipal Office at (506)523-6921 or info@5-rivers.ca

Updates & Information

REMINDER

Five Rivers issues sewer bills to residents of Rexton (Ward 4) in February each year.

Payments are due within 30 days and can be paid as follows.

Option 1: On-Line

Go to www.snb.ca, select "Make Payment", then "Water and Sewer Bill."

Advance Savings Credit Union customers can also pay through online banking.

Option 2: In Person

Visit any Service NB office or drop by the Five Rivers municipal office (82 Main St).

Option 3: Call NB Teleservice

(1.888.762.8600) or Five Rivers municipal office (506.523.6921).

Option 4: By Cheque, payable to Five Rivers.

VOYANT ALERT!

Download the App and register to receive emergency alerts, severe weather warnings, reported accidents, road closures, evacuations, fires, etc...



IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR SENIORS

Thank you to all the seniors who contacted the Department of Social Development and registered on the Provincial waitlist for affordable housing in the Rexton area.

If you reside in Kent County and have not registered, you can join the waitlist by calling 1.833.733.7835.

Be prepared to provide:

Name, Address, DOB, SIN, Monthly income & Location (Richibucto area).

REXTON SPORTS & RECREATION CENTRE

Public consultations for the future use of the Rexton Sports & Recreation Centre will begin in the new year!

Our new brine pump has been delivered and installed, cheers to a wonderful curling season!

Active Trail Network

Did you miss the first round of Public Consultations in the region? No stress, here's the QR Code for Kent Regional Service Commissions Public Survey on the feasibility of an active trail network!



Commission de services régionaux de Kent



Kent Regional Service Commission

New Brunswick SPCA

For dog control services call (1.877.722.1522).

Registration reminder:

Under Regulation 84-85, by January 31st owners must register their dogs with, and pay the license fee to, the NBSPCA.

