

Upcoming Events

Rusagonis Community Centre Weekly Activity Schedule 1609 Post Road, Rusagonis, NB

- Tuesday – Line Dancing, 7 - 8pm, \$10 at the door
- Wednesday – League Darts, 7pm
- Thursday – 45's, 7pm
- Friday – Darts, 7pm, \$10 to play
- Saturday – Every 2nd & 4th Cornhole (bean bag toss) 1 - 6pm, \$10 to play

For more information on activities or events, please check out the Rusagonis Rec Centre Facebook page

Rusagonis Baptist Church Spaghetti Supper 4 Whittaker Road, Rusagonis, NB

Every Wednesday until the middle of April
Starts at 5:15pm (suggested donation \$2 person / \$5 family)
Menu: Spaghetti, garlic bread or roll, Caesar salad, coffee, tea, water, ice cream or cookie

If you have any events you want advertised on our Facebook Page, please send the information to contact@sysrc.ca

Garbage collection and recycling

Garbage Collection – MBI - 506-209-0669, or visit the webpage at sysrc.ca, click “Living Here” and click on the “Garbage Day Map”

Recycling – Fero – 506-472-3376, or google “Circular Materials New Brunswick”, click on “Recycling in New Brunswick”, type in Sunbury-York South Rural Community, and click on the “Recycling Calendar”

2nd Monday of Month - Zone 1 – Charters Settlement, Beaverdam, Nasonworth

2nd Wednesday of Month – Zone 2 – Rusagonis, Sunpoke

2nd Thursday of Month – Zone 3 - Waasis

The supervisor posted seven important statements on governance and what to expect from your next council on the municipal website and Facebook Page from February 11th to the 20th.

They can be accessed on SYSRC 's Facebook page, the community website or by contacting the office at contact@sysrc.ca



Community Update



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Dear Residents of SYSRC,

Technically, a supervisor's job is to keep the lights on, pay the bills, and manage day-to-day operations. But, over the months that I have been supervisor of SYSRC, I have come to care a great deal for your community and everyone in it. It is very important to me that when my term ends in the spring, I leave your next council and the next Administration set up for success. That is why I've been trying to address long-standing irritants, strengthening policies, and setting the foundation for a council that can lead effectively.

Good governance and leadership matter. They determine how well a community functions, how fairly it is served, and how opportunities are created. Over the years, I've seen what works: organizations succeed when they have a clear vision, strong principles, respect for roles, and a culture that prioritizes teamwork, transparency, and the well-being of the whole. SYSRC deserves no less.

Taxpayers often feel that they have no power over governments, but that's not really true, especially when it comes to a local government. SYSRC is small enough that your engagement can have a significant impact. By voting, asking questions of candidates, or even running for council yourself, you can shape the future of this beautiful community.

The truth is that you hold extraordinary power over your next council. On May 11, 2026, your vote will decide who sits at the council table and who leads the community. After the polls close, that council will have responsibility for your property taxes, your local services, and decisions that affect your daily life for the next four years.

In my experience, the best leaders are positive, collaborative, and insightful. This applies to council members as well. Effective councillors:

- Focus on the full scope of their responsibilities;
- Respect the roles of each council member, the mayor, and staff;
- Seek compromise and common ground while serving the whole community;
- Build strong relationships, practice transparency, and make decisions rooted in evidence.

Council also needs to set a clear vision for the community that reflects its rural character while supporting thoughtful progress. That vision should balance practical investments, community services, and the needs of residents. Values and guiding principles should shape not just decisions but how council members treat each other, staff, and the public.

SYSRC is in an enviable position. You have a strong financial foundation, low taxes, a beautiful rural setting, and policies in place that allow new leaders to step in and make a difference immediately. Who wouldn't want to serve in such a community?

As voters and potential candidates, consider these questions:

- How should your next council function?
- What values should guide them?
- How do you want to be led?
- How can council best serve the community while respecting your contributions?

The community needs to turn towards an optimistic and exciting future where everyone has a place. Transparency should rule. Your property tax dollars should be respected. Decisions should be communicated and explained. Council should be open-minded and caring, working well together for your collective and individual benefits.

I encourage you to take charge of your future by engaging in the upcoming local government elections. Ask questions of the candidates. Step forward yourself if you feel called to serve. Vote on May 11th!

Don Ferguson
Supervisor, SYSRC

Local Government Election Schedule

MARCH 23 NOMINATIONS OPEN

APRIL 10 NOMINATIONS CLOSE

APRIL 27 VOTER INFORMATION CARDS ARE MAILED

MAY 2 ADVANCE POLLS (10 A.M. TO 8 P.M.)

MAY 4 ADVANCE POLLS (10 A.M. TO 8 P.M.)

MAY 11 ELECTION DAY (10 A.M. TO 8 P.M.)

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