



Agenda

Council Meeting

Tuesday, May 6, 2025
Council Chambers

Following Finance and Administration Committee Meeting

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1. **Call to Order**
2. **Opening Prayer/Reflection**
3. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & General Nature Thereof**
4. **Minutes**
 - i. Approve minutes from Council
 - a. Regular Meeting of Council – April 15, 2025
 - ii. Adopt minutes from Committees
 - a. Planning and Development Committee Meeting – April 1, 2025
 - b. Finance and Administration Committee – March 4, 2025
 - iii. Receive minutes from Local Boards
 - Pembroke Heritage Murals – April 2, 2025
5. **Delegations and Presentations**
6. **Business Arising from Delegations and Presentations**
7. **Staff and Committee Reports**
 - a. Planning and Development Committee – Declare Parcel at the end of Horace Street Surplus
 - b. Planning and Development Committee - Sale of Julien Street and Almira Street Unopened Road Allowances
8. **Proclamations**
 - a. Community Living Month – May, 2025
9. **By-laws**
 - a. 2025-45 Authorize Sale of Land at End of Horace Street to Renfrew County Catholic School Board
10. **Motions**

- 11. Correspondence**
- 12. Mayor's Report**
- 13. Notices of Motion**
 - a. Request to Exempt the City of Pembroke from Strong Mayor Powers – Deputy Mayor Abdallah
- 14. Councillor Updates**
- 15. Closed Session**
 - That City of Pembroke Council convened in Closed Session earlier this evening with authorized staff remaining in the room, pursuant to the following section of the Municipal Act 2001;
 1. Section 239(2)(f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose
More specifically as it relates to:
 - a. 273 Victoria Street
- 16. Business Arising from Closed Session**
- 17. Confirming By-law**
 - Confirming By-law 2025-46
- 18. Adjournment**

City of Pembroke Council Meeting

Council Chambers
Pembroke, Ontario
April 15, 2025
7:18 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Present:

Mayor Gervais, Chair
Deputy Mayor Abdallah
Councillor Jacyno
Councillor Kuehl
Councillor Lafreniere
Councillor Plummer
Councillor Purcell

Regrets:

Also Present:

David Unrau, Chief Administrative Officer
Victoria Charbonneau, Municipal Clerk

Mayor Gervais called the regular meeting of Council to order at 7:18 p.m.

2. Opening Prayer/Reflection

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & General Nature Thereof

Councillor Kuehl 9.a (730 Cecelia Street)

Councillor Kuehl stated that he had a prior meeting with the developer (Mr. Menard) relating to a purchase of another property (not the property in question), therefore a prior relationship exists between the two. Although the prior relationship does not constitute a direct or indirect pecuniary interest, Councillor Kuehl declared a perceived conflict of interest.

4. Minutes

- i. Approve minutes from Council
 - a. Regular Meeting of Council – April 1, 2025

Resolution 25-04-08

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Councillor Purcell

That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of April 1, 2025, be approved as circulated.

Carried

- ii. Adopt minutes from Committees
 - a. Operations Committee – March 18, 2025

Resolution 25-04-09

Moved by Councillor Lafreniere

Seconded by Councillor Kuehl

That the minutes of the Operations Committee meeting held on March 18, 2025, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

- iii. Receive minutes from Local Boards

5. Delegations and Presentations

6. Business Arising from Delegations and Presentations

7. Staff and Committee Reports

8. Proclamations

- a. Earth Week – April 22-27, 2025

Mayor Gervais proclaimed April 22-27, 2025, Earth Week in the City of Pembroke.

- a. Emergency Preparedness Week – May 4-10, 2025

Mayor Gervais proclaimed May 4-10, 2025, Emergency Preparedness Week in the City of Pembroke.

9. By-laws

- a. By-law 2025-39 Rezoning of 730 Cecelia Street

Resolution 25-04-10

Moved by Councillor Jacyno

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

That By-law 2025-39 to amend By-law 2020-05 of the Corporation of the City of Pembroke, being a by-law to regulate the use of lands and the character, location and use of buildings and structures in the City of Pembroke, be adopted and passed;
And further that the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

Carried

Councillor Kuehl removed himself from the Council table at 7:23 p.m. for the vote of by-law 2025-39. Councillor Kuehl stated conflict of interest on this item as described in section 3 of the minutes agenda.

Comments were made by members of Council regarding the context of the by-law. Statements can be viewed in full by watching the recording of the meeting on the City's YouTube page at a time stamp of approximately 7:23 p.m.

Councillor Kuehl returned to the Council table at 7:43 p.m.

- b. By-law 2025-40 Rezoning of 570 Almira Street

Resolution 25-04-11

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That By-law 2025-40 to amend By-law 2020-05 of the Corporation of the City of Pembroke, being a by-law to regulate the use of lands and the character, location and use of buildings and structures in the City of Pembroke, be adopted and passed;
And further that the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

Carried

- c. By-law 2025-41 Agreement for Contract Extension with Bearinvest Ltd. for Brundage Farm Subdivision

Resolution 25-04-12

Moved by Councillor Purcell

Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That By-law 2025-41, a By-law to authorize the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer to enter into an agreement with Bearinvest Ltd., be adopted and passed;

And further that the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

Carried

- d. By-law 2025-42 Highway 148 Reconstruction Agreement

Resolution 25-04-13

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Councillor Jacyno

That By-law 2025-42, a By-law to authorize the entering into an agreement for the rehabilitation of a portion of the King's Highway 148 (Angus Campbell Drive to Greenwood Road) between the Minister of Transportation for the Province of Ontario and the City of Pembroke, be adopted and passed;

And further that the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

Carried**10. Motions****11. Correspondence****12. Mayor's Report**

Mayor Gervais provided an update on the community functions he attended on behalf of Council including (but not limited to):

- April 4 – attendance at a 90th birthday celebration for Costantino Riccardo.
- April 4 – attendance at open house event for Battlefield (11958 Round Lake Road, Pembroke).
- April 5 – participation with the Pancake Breakfast event organized by the Pembroke Firefighter Association and Pembroke Handi-Bus. Well run and attended. Extended a thanks to the Firefighter Association in hosting the event that was a fundraiser for the Pembroke Handi-Bus.
- April 12 – attendance at a Legion ceremony at Memorial Cenotaph Park.
- April 12 – attendance at County of Renfrew Regional Science Fair.
- April 15 – attendance at the Grand Opening of Toppers Pizza (1053 Pembroke Street East).
- Shared information about the County of Renfrew Canada-Wide Early Learning and Child Care System (CWELCC) as shared by the County of Renfrew. Mayor Gervais highlighted the notion of \$10 a day daycare presentation and the lack of positions in Renfrew County. The County continues to address the province in order to further push this initiative for residents.

13. Notices of Motion**14. Councillor Updates**

Councillor Lafreniere

- Civic Youth Awards deadline for submissions is April 28. Councillor Lafreniere encouraged members of the public to nominate anyone they think may fit the criteria.
- More information on the Civic and Youth awards can be found on the City of Pembroke website.

Councillor Kuehl

- April 3rd – attended waterfront advisory committee update. This year is the 25th year anniversary of Pembroke Waterfront. The public can look forward to some special commemorative events in the upcoming months.
- Attendance at the Firefighters Association/Handi Bus Pancake Breakfast. The two groups were commended for all of the positive work they do in the community.
- April 6 – volunteered at Festival Hall Australian Bee Gees event. It was well attended and organized.
- Listed upcoming events that are to take place at Festival Hall and can be found in detail at www.festivalhall.ca

Councillor Purcell

- Attendance at the Friends of the Pool Trivia night – kudos to a great event.

Deputy Mayor Abdallah

- Extended thanks to Councillor Kuehl on all the great work he has done and continues to do in support of Festival Hall.
- April 12 - Upper Ottawa Valley Heritage Museum Centre fundraiser. Extended a big thanks to all who helped bring the event together.
- Pembroke.ca Earth Week Details and other great prizes to be won. Clean up kits can be picked up while they last at the Parks and Recreation office (located at the Pembroke Memorial Centre) or the Pembroke Public Library April 14-23.
- Next community watch meeting Monday May 5 at Fire Hall at 7:00 p.m. all encouraged to come.

15. Closed Session**16. Business Arising from Closed Session****17. Confirming By-law**

- Confirming By-law 2025-43

Resolution: 25-04-14

Moved by Councillor Lafreniere

Seconded by Councillor Purcell

That By-law 2025-43 to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council of April 15, 2025, be adopted and passed; and

Further That the said By-law be signed by the Mayor and Clerk and sealed with the seal of the Corporation.

Carried

18. Adjournment

Resolution: 25-04-15

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That the April 15, 2025, regular meeting of Council adjourn at 8:10 p.m.

Carried

Ron Gervais
Mayor

Victoria Charbonneau
Municipal Clerk

Draft Planning & Development Committee Meeting

Council Chambers
Pembroke, Ontario
April 1, 2025
7:01 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Present:

Councillor Jacyno, Chair
Mayor Gervais
Deputy Mayor Abdallah
Councillor Kuehl
Councillor Plummer
Councillor Purcell

Regrets:

Councillor Lafreniere

Also, Present:

David Unrau, Chief Administrative Officer
Victoria Charbonneau, Municipal Clerk
Scott Selle, Pembroke Fire Department Fire Chief
Colleen Sauriol, Director of Planning, Building and By-law Enforcement

Councillor Jacyno called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interests declared.

3. Approval/Amendment of Meeting Agenda

Resolution: PD25-04-01

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

That the agenda of the Planning & Development Committee meeting of April 1, 2025, be approved as circulated.

Carried

4. Approval of Minutes

Resolution: PD25-04-02

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Councillor Kuehl

That the minutes of the February 4, 2025, meeting of the Planning and Development Committee be approved as circulated.

Carried

5. Business Arising from Minutes**6. Presentation and Delegations**

a. Renfrew County Catholic District School Board (RCCDSB) – Bob Schreader, Renfrew County Catholic District School Board Chairperson and Mark Searson, Director of Education were in attendance to provide a presentation on a second entrance to the Bishop Smith Catholic High School campus through Horace Street. A discussion was held and the following points were raised:

- It was highlighted that BSCH recently built a track that meets provincial standards, this is the only regulation track within Renfrew County, and has capacity to host large events that attract a number of people
- Role the school space plays in emergency preparedness for the City of Pembroke and other organizations.
- The school board is prepared to construct and fund a proper roadway to accommodate the second entrance
- Questions regarding about the road being open to all traffic opposed to just school bus traffic. Miscommunication occurred on this front and will be reflected in the final plan. It was stated that the natural traffic flow is anticipated to be highest during morning and then afternoon.

7. New Business

a. RCCDSB – Horace Street Second Entrance
CAO Unrau presented the information report.

b. PFD Monthly Report - March

Chief Selle presented the information report. A discussion was held and the following points were raised:

b. By-law Enforcement Request – 58 Pembroke Street West, 120 Lake Street, 227 Lake Street & 185 Prince Street - Synercapital

Director Sauriol presented the report. A discussion was held and the following points were raised:

- It was questioned if there should be some cost recovery for the services provided to get the City's permission to appoint additional enforcement appointees
- It was asked to see if there was opportunity to have a report of the overall ticketing process. Response included that a report could be generated indicating the number of ticket issuers and number of tickets issued per calendar year.

Resolution PD25-04-03

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

That the Planning and Development Committee approve the appointment of Kevin Mortin to issue parking tickets at 58 Pembroke Street West, 120 Lake Street, 227 Lake Street and 185 Prince Street, as presented.

Carried

c. Three-Year Extension – Brundage Farm Subdivision – Bearinvest Ltd. (Formerly Burcom Developments Inc.)

Director Sauriol presented the report. A discussion was held and the following points were raised:

- A question regarding if there is a charge for the extension of the agreement? The question was followed up by a thought that fees could be for example, be similar to the County of Renfrew at \$1,000 and an extension be for a maximum of one year before applying for another year extension with associated fee
- Response indicated that there is currently no charge. Charges need to be reflected in the Fees and Charges by-law.

DIRECTION: That Staff look into implementing additional charges for planning services such as the recommended extension fee.

Resolution PD25-04-04

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That the Planning and Development Committee approve a one-year extension to Bearinvest Ltd for the Brundage Farm Subdivision, as presented.

Carried

9. Adjournment

Resolution PD25-04-05

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That the Planning & Development Committee meeting of April 1, 2025, adjourn at 7:59 p.m.

Carried

Draft Finance and Administration Committee Meeting Minutes

Council Chambers
Pembroke, Ontario
March 4, 2025
6:00 p.m.

1. Land Acknowledgement

2. Call to Order

Present:

Deputy Mayor Abdallah, Chair
Mayor Gervais
Councillor Jacyno
Councillor Kuehl
Councillor Lafreniere
Councillor Plummer
Councillor Purcell (virtual)

Regrets:

Also Present:

Dave Unrau, Chief Administrative Officer
Victoria Charbonneau, Municipal Clerk
Elijah McKeown, Tourism & Digital Media Officer
Scott Selle, Chief Pembroke Fire Department
Angela Lochtie, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk

Deputy Mayor Abdallah called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest declared.

4. Approval/Amendment of Meeting Agenda

Resolution FA25-03-01

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That the agenda of the Finance & Administration Committee meeting of March 4, 2025, be approved as circulated.

Carried

5. Approval of Minutes

a. Finance and Administration Committee – January 7, 2025

Resolution FA25-03-02

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Jacyno

That the minutes of the Finance and Administration Committee meeting of January 7, 2025, be approved as circulated.

Carried

- b. Finance and Administration Committee – Budget Meetings – December 10, 11, 2024, January 6, 14, 27, 2025

Resolution FA25-03-03

Moved by Councillor Lafreniere

Seconded by Councillor Kuehl

That the minutes of the Finance and Administration Committee Budget Meetings of December 10 and 11, 2024, January 6, 14, and 27, 2025, be approved as circulated.

Carried

6. Business Arising from Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

7. Presentations and Delegations

- a. Librarian of the Year

Karthi Rajamani, CEO of the Pembroke Public Library

The Chair of the meeting provided an overview of the Angus Mowat Award of Excellence from the Ontario Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and Gaming that was awarded to the Pembroke Public Library.

In addition, the Chair detailed that Ms. Rajamani was awarded the 2025 W.J. Robertson Medallion for Public Librarian of the Year for her transformative leadership of the Pembroke Public Library.

- b. Pembroke Handi-Bus Presentation

Dan Callaghan, Manager of the Pembroke Handi-Bus was in attendance to provide an overview of Pembroke Handi-Bus services.

- A question from the presenter was provided regarding AODA regulations pertaining to the Handi-bus service and the upcoming pilot project for an on-demand transit system in the city
- It was noted by presenter that per legislation, if fees for the regular transit are substantially lower than the accessible services provided, the fares have to be comparable, or consistent according to his interpretation of the legislation
- Council iterated support for the Handi-Bus and the important role the service plays
- Importance of the City and Handi-Bus working together to provide required services to City of Pembroke rate payers

DIRECTION: That staff to look into the AODA regulations and how these relate to any fares the City sets for the On Demand Transit Service and if they have any influence on Handi-Bus service fares.

- c. Ottawa Valley Tourist Association Annual Budget

Melissa Marquardt, County of Renfrew Economic Development Manager and Stefi Van Wijk, Ottawa Valley Tourist Association Board of Directors Chair were present to provide an overview of the OVTA membership, services, and marketing projects.

- Questions regarding the plan from the impending Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT) and how the OVTA plans to utilize their portion of the MAT revenue from Pembroke.
- It was responded that discussions with OVTA, City of Pembroke staff, and stakeholders to shape and solidify the plan in June 2025.
- The importance of utilizing the MAT dollars generated by City funds going directly to City of Pembroke specific initiatives.

a. Municipal Accommodation Tax Municipal Funds Allocation

Tourism and Digital Media Officer McKeown presented the MAT Municipal Funds Allocation report. A discussion was held and the following points were raised:

- MAT was officially launched January 1, 2025.
- There has been little negative feedback relayed to the city from accommodation providers since the tax implementation
- A policy is required to responsibility track and disperse the funds, to ensure they are used strategically and effectively in a structured framework for tourism and/or tourism adjacent projects to remain aligned with City priorities moving forward.
- Noted that added percentages of MAT spending per area of City may be too specific
- The policy can be updated as the program proceeds subsequently being reviewed and updated as required.
- 4.3 – it was recommended to update the policy to reflect “Recreation/Cultural Programs and Facilities Impacting Visitors” as cultural programs can attract tourism.

Resolution FA 25-03-04

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That the Finance and Administration Committee adopt a Municipal Accommodation Tax (MAT) Municipals Funds Allocation Policy, as presented.

Carried

b. PFD Monthly Report – February 2025

Chief Selle presented the information report.

c. Mutual Aid Plan for the Fire Services Within Renfrew County, Update By-law 2020-72

Chief Selle presented the report.

Resolution FA 25-03-05

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That the Finance and Administration Committee endorse and recommend to Council approval of By-law 2020-72, authorizing the Pembroke Fire Department to be a participant in the Renfrew County Mutual Aid Plan, as presented.

Carried

d. Municipal Forest Fire Agreement

Chief Selle presented the report. A discussion was held, and the following points were raised:

- Estimates provided on costs involved in the City contracting emergency services independently.

Resolution FA 25-03-06

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That the Finance and Administration Committee approve the entering into an agreement with the Aviation, Forest Fire and Emergency Services (AFFES), a division of the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR), as presented.

Carried

e. Energy Audit Report – Victoria Hall

Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Lochtie presented the information report. A discussion was held, and the following points were raised:

- Significance of the historic value of the building and the support to maintain it
- Questions surrounding notification period for current tenants. It was responded that a significant notice period was included in the project timeline to ensure the tenant has a long lead time to seek out alternate locations for their activities during renovation.

f. Tangible Capital Asset Policy

Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Lochtie presented the report. A discussion was held, and the following points were raised:

- The policy has been renamed and restructured to provide formal authority to the Treasurer to update appendices as the City's asset management policies continue to evolve

Resolution FA 25-03-07

Moved by Councillor Lafreniere

Seconded by Councillor Jacyno

That the Finance and Administration Committee endorse and recommend to Council for approval the revised City of Pembroke's Tangible Capital Asset Policy (formerly Fixed Asset Policy), as presented.

Carried

g. Section 357 Property Tax Adjustments for Partially Damaged Buildings

Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Lochtie presented the report. A discussion was held, and the following points were raised:

- It was asked if the municipality is obligated to provide the property tax break
- Response included that the municipality can determine the rate of the tax break
- Questions regarding how many requests are received on average per year, it was responded that a couple a year are received by the municipality
- It was stated that this is a new download and not typically within municipal staff's expertise when it comes to assessing properties. Therefore, it was the consensus that a flat rate for a tax rebate is an easier approach for municipal staff to apply

Resolution FA 25-03-08

Moved by Councillor Lafreniere

Seconded by Councillor Kuehl

That the Finance and Administration Committee endorse and recommend to Council for approval to accept staff recommendation of a flat 0% property tax rate for Section 357 applications related to partially damaged buildings and/or major renovations.

Carried

DIRECTION: That staff work with Council and seek a delegation at next AMO conference, in consultation with the MPP on this matter.

8. Adjournment

Resolution: FA-25-03-09

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That the Finance and Administration Committee meeting of March 4, 2025, adjourn at 7:40 p.m.

Carried

PEMBROKE HERITAGE MURALS@ since 1989

April 2nd @ 1:30 pm

1989 -2024 Thirty Five years of Volunteers dedicated to Pembroke's Outdoor Art Gallery.

PRESENT: Pamela Dempsey, Jane Kielman, Dennis Corrigan, Claudia Gadinger, Councillor Ed Jacyno

REGRETS:

AGENDA: MOTION by Dennis APPROVED

MINUTES: February 5th MOTION by Jane APPROVED

CORRESPONDENCE: [read only if necessary]

FINANCIAL REPORT:

March: No Activity

Reserve Fund: 2024 Interest \$117.93. Total: \$2,366.06

MOTION by Dennis APPROVED

BUSINESS ARISING:

Primary M&R:

‘At the Ready’: Will be repaired first. This month Dennis & Pam will measure for hardwood on site then go to Home Depot to purchase. Dennis will cut to size and Pam will prime both sides.

‘Champlain Trail’: This mural will be repaired second.

‘The Timber Raft’: We will meet Joe Brown and Jordan Durocher April 23rd @ 10am on site to discuss how much of the berm the City can cut back. Depending on available funds left and how long Jeff estimates repairs to flaking paint will take, this will be repaired next. If it’s one day, we will use Dennis’ family’s scaffold.

Other:

‘Diversity, Inclusion & Belonging’ mural at Algonquin College:

We have recently reached out to AC again asking for a description of this mural. We have the names of the three artists and a very good photo that Dennis took a year ago. Jodi Bucholtz will provide this information asap. We are quite anxious for this to be included in the next Guidebook print, as well as on our web pages. Elijah has been notified this will happen.

Pam: Emailed Trevor Riley at Cogeco on March 20th along with two photos. We have requested again that Cogeco head office finish painting the wall left of the newly restored mural **‘The Great Fire of 1918’**.

No reply to date.

Pam: Sent letters March 24th asking permission to access their property to: James Bell for **‘At The Ready’** Carrie Yates-Barber for **‘Champlain Trail’**. Once these have been received, we will meet with Jeff and visit these three sites for his estimate on length of time for each.

Minor M&R:

‘Peter White’: Dennis removed the metal stake that was in front of the mural.

‘The Unity Mural’: We will take Dennis’ suggestion of using a ladder or possibly his family’s scaffold.

‘Fiddling & Stepdancing’: Dennis repaired the damaged Title plaque that was vandalized last fall.

Pam: There are other small jobs the Committee will do throughout the season. We will need to buy a gallon of black paint; brushes and paint trays from the Dollar Store; angle brushes. Pam asked Jane if she could provide plastic containers.

Donation of Original Paintings:

‘The Irish Play’. After waiting four months, the Festival Hall Consortium turned down our offer.

The Knights of Columbus: Pam sent an email with photos offering to donate this painting. It’s been a month and no reply. Ed will follow up.

‘The Lumbering Industry’: Jane, Dennis & Pam donated this painting to Algonquin College’s Forestry Technician Department on February 21st.

Mike Blackmore CAO / Miramichi Lodge:

Email sent March 17th with photos offering to donate **‘The Town Smithy’** and **‘S.J. Webb Bakery’** paintings. Mr. Blackmore accepted March 24th. We are waiting for him to provide a date & time.

Sherry Georgeoff ED / Supples Landing Retirement Residence:

Email sent March 17th with photos offering to donate **‘The Old Gas Pump’** and **‘The Grocer’** paintings. No reply to date.

‘CPR Water Tower’: We asked Elijah if he had any suggestions of where we could offer to donate the original painting and model. He took our request to the Tourism & Culture Advisory Committee. Their suggestions were for display possibilities, not for a permanent solution.

This is a very unusual original painting by John Ellenberger, 2000. John built a metal replica of the tower, at his own expense, and airbrushed the painting onto vinyl. It is attached around the model by Velcro. The overall height is 50 inches by 24 inches wide. The painting is 10 inches high by 72 inches long. The Committee had a very good discussion of what we could do if the painting was removed from the model. Having it framed would be extremely expensive. Ed suggested we mount it ourselves on wood. He has virgin white pine and barn wood on hand. We agreed the barn wood would work very well: Ed will take a look at the sizes he has. Although quite long, it will be easier to display. Then we discussed what PHM could do with the model. One idea was to reach out to train enthusiasts and see if we can sell it.

NEW BUSINESS:

Purvis Gallery: Jayne DeRoy offered to give PHM 200 '**Swallow**' prints. Jane spoke with her recently, we appreciate the offer but unable to take on more inventory. Meanwhile, Jayne has been giving them away. The store closes in June.

Claudia has a major event coming up: the City's Expo at the PMC May 9-10.
Another event June 2nd: Civic & Youth Awards.

Pam asked Dennis & Jane if they would join her this month in retrieving souvenir inventory from Giant Tiger for Claudia to give away at the May event. Any leftover can be given at the June event. We can provide postcards as well.

Claudia: I gave away a lot of Guidebooks at recent events. They are really popular.

Pam: We will retrieve a package of '**Fiddling & Stepdancing**' prints for Claudia; limited edition '**Swallow**' prints' too. We agreed to give Mayor Gervais 10 to have on hand as gifts for visitors. Pam will check to see what postcards she needs stocking up on.

Pam: Elijah asked if we would like to change the front cover image on the Guidebook. After discussion, we agreed to send Elijah the left side image of '**Canadian Armed Forces - At The Ready**' [1994, Robin Burgesse] as this year is the 80th Anniversary of VE Day. The left side lists the conflicts the Canadian Armed Forces has participated in over the decades.

Jane: Brought the OVTA's 2025 road map. The image on the front is a part image of '**Champlain Trail**'. There is no credit for the artist, the year painted, title of the mural and credit to PHM. Pam will address this immediately with OVTA: they have breached copyright law in this instance.

Committee has no other business to report.

Adjourn: 2:20 pm

Next Meeting: May

Touring murals is a safe activity.



**The Corporation of the City of Pembroke
Pembroke, Ontario**

Date: 2025-05-06

Resolution No: 2025-05-04

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Be It Resolved That the Corporation of the City of Pembroke declares the following lands as surplus and gives notice of the proposed sale of the said lands:

1. A parcel of land at the end of Horace Street opened road allowance. The land to be sold is legally described as Part Lot 200, Plan 103; Part Lot 15, Concession 1, Pembroke, as in PMC19985, Between R329706 and PMC30163, the Indian River and Horace Street, Plan 103; City of Pembroke and being all of PIN #57164-0298 (LT). The lot is zoned "Open Space-s – OS-s". This lot is classified as non-viable.

Carried

Mayor



**The Corporation of the City of Pembroke
Pembroke, Ontario**

Date: 2025-05-06

Resolution No: 2025-05-05

Moved by:

Seconded by:

The Corporation of the City of Pembroke declares the following lands as surplus and gives notice of the proposed sale of the said lands:

Whereas, the City of Pembroke Planning and Building Committee has reviewed the unopened road allowances located at Julien Street and Almira Street; and

Whereas these unopened road allowances are no longer required for municipal purposes; and

Now therefore be it resolved that, the City of Pembroke Council declares the Julien Street and Almira Street unopened road allowances as surplus lands; and

That Council gives notice of its intent to permanently stop up and close the said unopened road allowances at its meeting of May 6, 2025; and

That City staff send a letter to the abutting property owners of the non-viable portion of Julien Street advising of Council's intent to declare the lands surplus and to add the lands to the City's surplus land inventory available on the municipal website; and

Further That a subsequent report be brought forward following the completion of the 20-day public comment period, recommending the sale of the two parcels of land together with a proposed development agreement.

Carried

Mayor

By virtue of the power vested in me

I Do Hereby Declare

May, 2025

as

“Community Living Month”

in the City of Pembroke.

Whereas Community Living Ottawa Valley is a non-profit organization governed by a Board of Directors established in 1958 and is a member of Community Living Ontario. It has approximately 200 members representing communities in the Upper Ottawa Valley and provides services and supports to adults with intellectual disabilities; and

Whereas Community Living Upper Ottawa Valley's Goal and Vision Statement, "That all persons live in a state of dignity, share in all elements of living in the community and have the opportunity to participate effectively" advances and educates citizens of all communities; and

Whereas Community Living Upper Ottawa Valley remains true to its vision; foreseeing a society where all legal and human rights are afforded to every citizen without discrimination and where everyone is supported in their efforts to become a participating, respected member of our society.

Therefore, be it resolved that I, Ron Gervais, Mayor of the City of Pembroke, proclaim May 2025 as "Community Living Month" in the City of Pembroke

Dated in the Mayor's Office this 6th day of May 2025

Ron Gervais
Mayor, City of Pembroke

The Corporation of the City of Pembroke

By-law Number 2025-45

A By-law to authorize the proposed Sale of Lands

Whereas pursuant to Section 8 of the *Municipal Act*, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, provides the powers of a municipality under this or any other Act shall be interpreted broadly so as to confer broad authority on the municipality to enable the municipality to govern its affairs as it considers appropriate and to enhance the municipality's ability to respond to municipal issues; and

Whereas Section 10(2) of the *Municipal Act*, S.O. 2001, c.25, as amended, states that a single-tier municipality may pass by-laws which includes economic, social and environmental well-being of the municipality; and

Whereas Council has, under By-law 2023-36, established and followed the policy for the sale and disposition of land; and

Whereas the Corporation of the City of Pembroke wishes to enter into an Agreement of Purchase and Sale with Renfrew County Catholic District School Board in respect to the proposed sale of lands legally described as Part Lot 200, Plan 103; Part Lot 15, Concession 1, Pembroke as in PMC19985, between R329706 and PMC30163, the Indian River and Horace Street, Plan 103; City of Pembroke and being all of PIN #57164-0298 (LT);

Whereas the Corporation of the City of Pembroke and the Purchaser have entered into an Agreement of Purchase and Sale attached as Appendix "A" to this by-law.

Now Therefore the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Pembroke enacts as follows:

1. That the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer be, and they are, hereby authorized to execute an Agreement of Purchase and Sale in respect to the proposed sale of lands legally described as Part Lot 200, Plan 103; Part Lot 15, Concession 1, Pembroke as in PMC19985, between R329706 and PMC30163, the Indian River and Horace Street, Plan 103; City of Pembroke and being all of PIN #57164-0298 (LT) at a purchase price of ten thousand two hundred dollars (\$10,200.00) plus H.S.T. plus associated costs to Renfrew County Catholic District School Board.
2. That as a condition of the sale, the Corporation of the City of Pembroke and the Purchaser entered into an agreement attached as Appendix "A" to this by-law.
3. That the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer be, and they are, hereby authorized to sell the above noted lands and execute all necessary documents to give effect to the sale of the aforesaid lands to Renfrew County Catholic District School Board. Further that the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer be, and they are, hereby authorized to execute any agreement or required documents related to the purchase of the property as per the Agreement of Purchase and Sale.
4. This by-law shall come into force and take effect upon the date of the final passing thereof.

Passed and enacted this 6th Day of May, 2025

Ron Gervais
Mayor

Victoria Charbonneau
Clerk

APPENDIX "A" to By-law 2025-45

THIS AGREEMENT made this 6th Day of May, 2025.

BETWEEN: RENFREW COUNTY CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

(hereinafter called the "Purchaser")

OF THE FIRST PART,

AND: THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PEMBROKE

(hereinafter called the "Corporation")

OF THE SECOND PART.

WHEREAS the Corporation is the registered owner of the lands described as Part Lot 200, Plan 103; Part Lot 15, Concession 1, Pembroke as in PMC19985, between R329706 and PMC30163, the Indian River and Horace Street, Plan 103; City of Pembroke and being all of PIN #57164-0298 (LT) (hereinafter referred to as the "Subject Property");

AND WHEREAS the Corporation of the City of Pembroke has entered into an agreement of purchase and sale of Part Lot 200, Plan 103; Part Lot 15, Concession 1, Pembroke as in PMC19985, between R329706 and PMC30163, the Indian River and Horace Street, Plan 103; City of Pembroke and being all of PIN #57164-0298 (LT) with Renfrew County Catholic District School Board;

AND WHEREAS the Purchaser wishes to develop the parcel of land to accommodate a second access to Bishop Smith Catholic High School at 362 Carmody Street, Pembroke, Ontario K8A 4G2;

NOW THEREFORE IN CONSIDERATION of the premises and the mutual covenants of the Parties, the Parties hereto covenant and agree to the following:

1. The Purchaser agrees develop a second access to Bishop Smith Catholic High School on the Subject Property by October 31, 2026.
2. If the purchaser does not meet the above requirements, the City has the first right to repurchase the Subject Property at the original selling price of \$12,000 per acre plus HST; and
3. Purchaser is responsible for cost of the land (\$10,200 plus HST) and City of Pembroke fees including the City's legal fees and associated costs pertaining to the sale of the subject property.

THIS AGREEMENT shall enure to the benefit of, and be binding upon, the parties hereto and their executors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have hereunto affixed their hands and seals.

SIGNED, SEALED
& DELIVERED

In the Presence of

M. J. S.

Mark Searson
Director of Education
Renfrew County Catholic District School
Board
499 Pembroke Street West
Pembroke, Ontario K8A 5P1

I HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO BIND
THE CORPORATION

Colleen Sauriol

David Unrau
Chief Administrative Officer

Ron Gervais
Mayor

WE HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO BIND THE CORPORATION

Request to Exempt the City of Pembroke from Strong Mayor Powers

Request the Province of Ontario Not Apply Strong Mayor Powers to the City of Pembroke

WHEREAS the Province of Ontario has announced the expansion of strong mayor powers to 169 additional municipalities, including the City of Pembroke, effective May 1, 2025;

AND WHEREAS these powers grant the head of council significant unilateral authority over key municipal functions, such as appointing the chief administrative officer, hiring and dismissing department heads, establishing and dissolving committees, preparing and presenting the municipal budget, and vetoing by-laws that may conflict with provincial priorities;

AND WHEREAS the City of Pembroke has a longstanding tradition of collaborative and transparent governance, with council decisions made collectively to best represent the interests and priorities of the local community;

AND WHEREAS Pembroke City Council is concerned that the introduction of strong mayor powers could diminish the role of council, undermine local democratic principles, and disrupt established practices that ensure accountability, transparency, and responsiveness to the unique needs of Pembroke residents;

AND WHEREAS many elected officials and members of the public across Ontario have expressed significant concerns regarding the imposition of these powers without local consultation or consent;

AND WHEREAS the City of Pembroke did not request, nor express a desire to be designated under the Strong Mayor framework;

AND WHEREAS a growing number of municipalities and elected officials across Ontario are calling for reconsideration, amendment, or repeal of the Strong Mayor system, emphasizing the importance of local autonomy and decision-making;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Pembroke formally rejects the application of strong mayor powers to the municipality, and respectfully requests that the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing immediately remove the City of Pembroke from the list of municipalities designated under the Strong Mayor legislation, thereby exempting the City from the application of strong mayor powers as outlined in the proposed amendments to Ontario Regulation 530/22 under the Municipal Act;

AND FURTHER REQUESTS that the Province of Ontario repeal the strong mayor legislation, or at minimum, provide municipalities with the explicit option to opt out of the strong mayor powers framework, ensuring that local governance structures reflect the preferences and needs of individual communities;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Rob Flack, Premier Doug Ford, MPP Billy Denault, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), the Association of Municipal Managers, Clerks and Treasurers of Ontario (AMCTO), and all Ontario municipalities for their information and support.

Adopted by the Council of the City of Pembroke this [date]

Mayor:

City Clerk:

The Corporation of the City of Pembroke

By-law Number 2025-46

Being a By-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Pembroke at the meeting held on the sixth day of May 2025

Whereas Section 5(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, as amended, provides that the powers of a municipality shall be exercised by its council; and

Whereas Section 5(3) of the *Municipal Act*, as amended, provides that the powers of every Council are to be exercised by by-law; and

Whereas it is deemed expedient that the proceedings of the Council of the City of Pembroke at this meeting be confirmed and adopted by by-law.

Therefore, the Council of the City of Pembroke enacts as follows:

1. That all actions of the Council of the City of Pembroke at its meeting of May 6th, 2025, in respect of each report, motion, resolution or other action, passed and/or taken by the Council at its meeting, is hereby adopted, ratified, and confirmed as if all such proceedings were expressly embodied in this by-law; and
2. That the Mayor and appropriate officials of the City of Pembroke are hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to give effect to the said action and to obtain approvals where required, and to execute all documents necessary in that regard, and the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to affix the Corporate Seal of the City of Pembroke to all such documents.
3. That this By-law shall come into force and take effect upon the passing thereof.

Passed and Enacted This 6th Day of May 2025

Ron Gervais
Mayor

Victoria Charbonneau
Municipal Clerk