

# City of Pembroke Council Meeting

Council Chambers  
Pembroke, Ontario  
June 3, 2025  
8:06 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

Colleen Sauriol, Director

Mayor Gervais called the regular meeting of Council to order at 8:07 p.m.

## 2. Opening Prayer/Reflection

## 3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interests disclosed.

## 4. Minutes

- i. Approve minutes from Council
  - a. Regular Meeting of Council – May 20, 2025

### Resolution: 25-06-01

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of May 20, 2025, be approved as circulated.

**Carried**

- b. Special Meeting of Council – May 27, 2025

### Resolution: 25-06-02

Moved by Councillor Purcell

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council of May 27, 2025, be approved as circulated.

**Carried**

## ii. Adopt minutes from Committees

## a. Planning and Development Committee Meeting – May 6, 2025

**Resolution: 25-06-03**

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Councillor Purcell

That the minutes of the Planning and Development Committee meeting held on May 6, 2025 be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

## b. Finance and Administration Committee

**Resolution: 25-06-04**

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

That the minutes of the Finance and Administration Committee meeting held on May 6, 2025 be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

## c. Striking Committee

**Resolution: 25-06-05**

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Councillor Kuehl

That the minutes of the Striking Committee meeting held on March 4, 2025 be adopted as circulated.

**Carried**

## iii. Receive minutes from Local Boards

- Accessibility Advisory Committee – April 11, 2024

**Resolution 25-05-06-06**

Moved by Councillor Purcell

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That the minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee of April 11, 2024, be received as circulated.

**Carried****5. Delegations and Presentations**

- A grade 5/6 class from Cathedral Elementary school recently visited City Hall and the students had engaging conversations with the Mayor and herself. The students also presented poems that wrote about Pembroke.
- Councillor Lafreniere will be featuring the poems from the students at each Council meeting to display the community pride and talents of Pembroke youth. Readings of the poems can be viewed on the meeting recordings on the City's YouTube page.
- The poem read June, 2025 was entitled "Rotary Park".

**6. Business Arising from Delegations and Presentations****7. Staff and Committee Reports**

- a. Striking Committee – Member Appointment to the Pembroke Anniversary Committee

**Resolution: 25-06-07**

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Councillor Jacyno

That the City of Pembroke Council appointment of the following community members to the Anniversary Committee: Kali Carrol, Lindsay Hammel-McCann, Ross Hugli, Nancy Joyes, Marianne Pritchard-Taylor, Mital Vyas ; and

That Councillor Kuehl, and Councillor Purcell be appointed as Council representatives to the Anniversary Committee; and

Furthermore, that the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee Terms of Reference be approved in principle, as presented.

**Carried**

**8. Proclamations**

a. Seniors' Month – June 2025

Mayor Gervais proclaimed June 2025 Seniors' Month in the City of Pembroke.

b. Pride Month – June 2025

Mayor Gervais proclaimed June 2025 Pride Month in the City of Pembroke.

c. BGC Club Day – June 6, 2025

Mayor Gervais proclaimed June 6, 2025 BGC Club Day in the City of Pembroke.

**9. By-laws**

a. 2025-50

**Resolution: 25-06-08**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Jacyno

That By-law 2025-50, being a by-law to authorize the entering into a letter of agreement between His Majesty the King, in right of the Province of Ontario, represented by the Minister of Transportation and the City of Pembroke, on behalf of the City of Pembroke and the Township of Laurentian Valley to receive funding provided under the Dedicated Gas Tax Funds for the Public Transportation Program, 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):

- May 24 – attendance at the Annual Veterans Appreciation Dinner at the Pembroke Legion.
- May 28 – attendance at Options event in Pembroke. In the evening, attendance at an event at the Pembroke Regional Hospital (PRH) for Queen's Medical School students to meet with physicians at PRH to help determine where the student wish to specialize.
- May 29 – Event to congratulate winners of Community EXPO colouring contest.

- May 30 – Attendance at Algonquin College with Pembroke CAO to meet with President Brule and Government Relations Officer Mr. Qagish.

### 13. Notices of Motion

### 14. Councillor Updates

Councillor Purcell

- Judging battle of the bands May 17 and May 30<sup>th</sup>. The contest spanned 7 regions across the Ottawa Valley and final show down was at the STOMP and Lumber Jack festival with 8 bands performing over the two events. Judos and job well done.
- June 2 – Pembroke Civic and Youth Awards – congratulated winners and all involved. Especially Councillor Lafreniere who helped so much with this great even.

Councillor Kuehl

- May 21 – Attendance at the Operations Department Open House event. The event provided tours and had equipment on display. Extended a sincere thanks to Operations staff and hope that this great event grows in the coming years.
- May 24 – Encanto at Festival Hall – over 1,000 people going through and an amazing performance to watch. Extended a thank you to the volunteers who worked countless hours over the weekend to make it all happen.
- May 24 – Jim Sloan memorial ball tournament, thank you to staff and volunteers. Money raised from the tournament went to BGC Renfrew County.
- May 31 – Attendance at Fire Trucks, Freezies and TD Summer Reading Club, great partnership between the two departments to bring community together.
- Over the weekend, attendance at the Farmer's Market wishing them great success in the coming season.
- Attendance at Lasso Live for a fundraiser for Music Healing Veterans.
- June 1 – Attendance at the Fundraiser for Ottawa Valley Heritage Center that was a great success

Councillor Jacyno 8:35

- Announcement of 450 Helicopter Squadron event
- Correspondence from Golfview Development in the amount of \$100,000 for the progress of a new Community Centre.

Deputy Mayor Abdallah

- Environmental post card project can be viewed in lobby of City Hall.
- Highlighted Krista Johnson Memorial Run scheduled to take place June 8, 2025.
- Rain Barrels were distributed , and 2 left, all proceeds go to the Pembroke Community Garden – contact Mayor Gervais of Deputy Mayor to purchase one
- Thanks to all who helped with the Planting at community garden over the past weekend.

### 15. Closed Session 8:48 p.m. Resolution 25-06-09

Moved by Councillor Jacyno

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

That City of Pembroke Council convene in Closed Session with authorized staff remaining in the room, pursuant to the following section of the Municipal Act, 2001:

1. Section 239(2)(c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of lands by the municipality or local board

More specifically as it relates to:

- a. John Street

**Carried**

**16. Business Arising from Closed Session 9:03 p.m.**

Mayor Gervais indicated that there was a closed session held earlier. There were no pecuniary interests declared. Staff received direction.

**17. Confirming By-law**

- Confirming By-law 2025-51

**Resolution: 25-06-10**

Moved by Councillor Purcell

Seconded by Councillor Jacyno

That By-law 2022-51 to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council of June 3, 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: 25-06-11**

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

That the June 3, 2025, regular meeting of Council adjourn at 9:05 p.m.

**Carried**

Ron Gervais

Mayor

Victoria Charbonneau

Municipal Clerk