



Agenda

Council Meeting

Tuesday, December 3, 2024
Council Chambers
Following Striking Committee

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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 – November 19, 2024
 - ii. Adopt minutes from Committees
 - a. Planning & Development Committee Meeting – November 5, 2024
 - b. Finance & Administration Committee Meeting – November 5, 2024
 - c. Striking Committee Meeting – November 5, 2024
 - iii. Receive minutes from Local Boards
 - a. Pembroke Public Library Board – October 17, 2024
5. **Staff and Committee Reports**
 - a. Striking Committee – Membership Appointments to the Pembroke Public Library Board, and the Ottawa Valley Waste Management Board Public Liaison Committee
6. **By-laws**
7. **Motions**
 - a. Resolution 2024-035 Making Illegal the Littering, Disposing or Depositing of Drugs, Drug Residue or Drug Paraphernalia on Private Property
 - b. Resolution 2024-037 2025 O.P.P. Billing Increases
8. **Mayor's Report**
9. **Notices of Motion**
10. **Councillor Updates**

- 11. Closed Session**
- 12. Business Arising from Closed Session**
- 13. Confirming By-law**
 - Confirming By-law 29-2024
- 14. Adjournment**

Draft City of Pembroke Council Meeting

Council Chambers
Pembroke, Ontario
November 19, 2024
7:04 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Present:

Mayor Gervais, Chair
Deputy Mayor Abdallah
Councillor Kuehl
Councillor Jacyno
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 7:04 p.m.

A cheque presentation took place with Heather Saar from the Eganville Clothing Bank presenting a cheque to the City of Pembroke in the amount of \$2,000. The funds are designated to support the Pembroke Pool Fund. Ms. Saar expressed the significance of outlying communities to supporting the Pembroke pool facility and the importance of neighbouring communities who use the pool to supporting the project.

2. Opening Prayer/Reflection

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest declared.

4. Minutes

- i. Approve minutes from Council
 - a. Regular Meeting of Council – November 5, 2024

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah
Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council of November 5, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Carried

- b. Special Meeting of Council – November 5, 2024

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Lafreniere

Seconded by Councillor Purcell

That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council of November 5, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Carried

ii. Adopt minutes from Committees

b. Operations Committee – September 17, 2024

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

That the minutes of the Operations Committee of September 17, 2024, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

iii. Receive minutes from Local Boards

- Pembroke Heritage Murals – November 6, 2024

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Councillor Purcell

That the minutes of the Pembroke Heritage Murals Committee of November 6, 2024, be received as circulated.

Carried

5. **Committee Reports**

a. Operations Committee – Award Tender No. 23-1067A Bulk Water and Septage Receiving Depot

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

That Tender Contract No. 23-1067A for a Bulk Water and Septage Receiving Station to be located at 279 Paul Martin Drive be awarded to Do-All Construction Ltd. for a contract value of \$1,291,396.00 plus HST; and

That additional expenditures in the amount of \$50,000.00 be approved for a contingency allowance; and

That the budget shortfall of \$443,170.62 be funded in the 2025 Capital Budget; and

The total value of the recommendations equal \$1,341,396.08 plus applicable HST.

Carried

6. **By-laws**

a. 2024-61 Parking By-law Amendment

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Jacyno

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That By-law 2024-61, a by-law to amend By-law 2024-24, as amended, being a by-law to regulate and control the parking of vehicle 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

b. 2024-62 Lake Street and College Way Parking Agreement

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That By-law 2024-62, a by-law to authorize the entering into of an agreement between 320 Lake Street Inc. and the Corporation 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. 2024-63 Vacant Land Registry By-law

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Jacyno

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That By-law 2024-63, a by-law to regulate vacant buildings withing 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

d. 2024-64 9 Bennett Street Rezoning

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Purcell

Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That By-law 2024-64, a by-law 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

7. Motions

a. Resolution 2024-026 2023 DWQMS Management Review

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

Be It Resolved That the Corporation of the City of Pembroke accepts the City of Pembroke 2023 DWQMS Management Review Report.

Carried

b. Resolution 2024-027 Declaration of Illegal and Toxic Drug Use Crisis

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

Whereas residents of the City of Pembroke have experienced significant increases in drug crimes and drug-related crimes throughout the City of Pembroke, including increases in the frequency and severity of such crimes;

And Whereas local businesses, and particularly those in the downtown core, have been directly impacted by the higher incidences of drug crimes and drug-related crimes that increase business losses and expenses and decrease foot traffic and the belief that certain parts of the City of Pembroke are safe and welcoming;

And Whereas residents of, and private properties within, the City of Pembroke have had to endure ongoing harassment and nuisances caused by illegal and toxic drug users, drug trafficking and drug houses, including exposure to toxic drugs and drug paraphernalia;
 And Whereas increased law enforcement efforts are needed to focus on those individuals and criminal organizations that illegally traffic and sell controlled substances and profit off of their drug using victims;

And Whereas all levels of government share in the responsibility to combat illegal and toxic drug use including the federal government's jurisdiction over criminal law and controlled substances, the provincial government's jurisdiction over health care and property regulation, and the municipal government's role in by-law enforcement and the provision of local services including policing and social services;

And Whereas subsection 10(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, provides broad jurisdiction to single-tier municipalities in matters relating to:

1. the economic, social and environmental well-being of the municipality,
2. the health, safety and well-being of persons, and
3. the protection of persons and property;

And Whereas one of the highest priorities of any municipality must be the safety and security of its residents;

Now Therefore It Is Moved that the City of Pembroke, its elected officials and staff carry out the following actions on behalf of the municipality:

1. That the City of Pembroke declare illegal and toxic drug use to be a current crisis within the City of Pembroke;
2. That the City of Pembroke write to the local administrative judges of the Ontario Court of Justice and the Superior Court of Justice in the County of Renfrew, and the Regional Senior Justice of the Peace for the East Region, to advise that illegal and toxic drug use has been declared a current crisis within the City of Pembroke; and
3. That a copy of this Motion be posted on the City of Pembroke's website.

Tabled

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Purcell

That the City of Pembroke Council table Resolution 2024-27.

Councillor Kuehl called for a recorded vote.

Yea: Deputy Mayor Abdallah, Councillors: Jacyno, Lafreniere, Purcell, Mayor Gervais

Nea: Councillor Kuehl, Councillor Plummer

Motion to Table Carried: 5:2

- c. Resolution 2024-028 City of Pembroke Efforts Regarding Illegal and Toxic Drug Use

Motion withdrawn by Councillor Kuehl

Moved by

Seconded by

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increase business losses and expenses and decrease foot traffic and the belief that certain parts of the City of Pembroke are safe and welcoming;

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Now Therefore It is Moved that the City of Pembroke, its elected officials and staff carry out the following actions on behalf of the municipality:

1. That the Mayor, or his designee(s), and staff of the City of Pembroke be empowered, and are hereby called upon, to continue to proactively meet with such local, provincial and/or federal officials as is necessary in order to request increased co-operation, funding, resources and law enforcement strategies to combat illegal and toxic drug use, drug-related crime and the proliferation of drug houses within the City of Pembroke and the broader County of Renfrew area; and
2. That a copy of this Motion be posted on the City of Pembroke's website.

Motion Withdrawn

- d. Resolution 2024-029 Municipal Request to Federal and Provincial Governments to Provide Resources and Tools to Combat Illegal and Toxic Drug Use

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

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And Whereas increased law enforcement efforts are needed to focus on those individuals and criminal organizations that illegally traffic and sell controlled substances and profit off of their drug using victims;

And Whereas all levels of government share in the responsibility to combat illegal and toxic drug use including the federal government's jurisdiction over criminal law and controlled

substances, the provincial government's jurisdiction over health care and property regulation, and the municipal government's role in by-law enforcement and the provision of local services including policing and social services;

And Whereas subsection 10(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, provides broad jurisdiction to single-tier municipalities in matters relating to:

1. the economic, social and environmental well-being of the municipality,
2. the health, safety and well-being of persons, and
3. the protection of persons and property;

And Whereas one of the highest priorities of any municipality must be the safety and security of its residents;

Now Therefore It Is Moved that the City of Pembroke, its elected officials and staff carry out the following actions on behalf of the municipality:

1. That the City of Pembroke calls on the federal and provincial governments to provide local governments and organizations, including municipalities, police forces, health care providers, social service providers and addiction services, with the necessary resources and tools to tackle the ongoing illegal and toxic drug crisis; and
2. That a copy of this Motion be posted on the City of Pembroke's website and also forwarded to the Hon. Arif Virani, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada; the Hon. Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario; the Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; Mrs. Cheryl Gallant, Member of Parliament for Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke; Mr. John Yakabuski, Member of Provincial Parliament for Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke; and Mr. Peter Emon, Warden for the County of Renfrew.

Tabled

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Purcell

Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That the City of Pembroke Council table Resolution 2024-29.

Councillor Kuehl called for a recorded vote.

Yea: Deputy Mayor Abdallah, Councillors: Jacyno, Lafreniere, Purcell, Mayor Gervais

Nea: Councillor Kuehl, Councillor Plummer

Motion to Table Carried: 5:2

- e. Resolution 2024-030 Municipal Request to Federal Government for New Laws and More Severe and New Sentencing Options Concerning the Illegal Importing , Trafficking and Sale of Controlled Substances

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

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And Whereas increased law enforcement efforts are needed to focus on those individuals and criminal organizations that illegally traffic and sell controlled substances and profit off of their drug using victims;

And Whereas all levels of government share in the responsibility to combat illegal and toxic drug use including the federal government's jurisdiction over criminal law and controlled substances, the provincial government's jurisdiction over health care and property regulation, and the municipal government's role in by-law enforcement and the provision of local services including policing and social services;

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3. the protection of persons and property;

And Whereas one of the highest priorities of any municipality must be the safety and security of its residents;

Now Therefore It Is Moved that the City of Pembroke, its elected officials and staff carry out the following actions on behalf of the municipality:

1. That the City of Pembroke calls on the federal government to enact stricter laws, as well as more severe and new sentencing options, concerning those individuals and criminal organizations that engage in the illegal importing, trafficking and sale of controlled substances; and
2. That a copy of this Motion be posted on the City of Pembroke's website and also forwarded to the Hon. Arif Virani, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, and Mrs. Cheryl Gallant, Member of Parliament for Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke.

Councillor Lafreniere called for a recorded vote.

Yea: Deputy Mayor Abdallah, Councillors: Jacyno, Kuehl Lafreniere, Plummer, Purcell, Mayor Gervais

Nea:

Carried

- f. Resolution 2024-031 Municipal Request to Provincial Government to Enact New Laws and Regulations to Deal with Drug Houses and Other Drug-Related Nuisance Properties

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

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And Whereas subsection 10(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, provides broad jurisdiction to single-tier municipalities in matters relating to:

1. the economic, social and environmental well-being of the municipality,
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3. the protection of persons and property;

And Whereas subsection 128(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, provides that a local municipality may prohibit and regulate with respect to public nuisances, including matters that, in the opinion of council, are or could become or cause public nuisances;

And Whereas one of the highest priorities of any municipality must be the safety and security of its residents;

Now Therefore It Is Moved that the City of Pembroke, its elected officials and staff carry out the following actions on behalf of the municipality:

1. That the City of Pembroke calls on the provincial government to enact new laws and regulations that will give municipalities and victimized property owners additional, better and more efficient tools to deal with drug houses and other drug-related nuisance properties that are antagonizing and devaluing local neighbourhoods; and
2. That a copy of this Motion be posted on the City of Pembroke's website and also forwarded to the Hon. Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario; the Hon. Paul Calandra, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing; and Mr. John Yakabuski, Member of Provincial Parliament for Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke.

Deputy Mayor Abdallah left the room at 8:48 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Abdallah returned to the room at 8:50

Councillor Lafreniere called for a recorded vote.

Yea: Deputy Mayor Abdallah, Councillors: Kuehl Lafreniere, Plummer, Purcell, Mayor Gervais

Nea: Councillor Jacyno (abstain)

Carried

- g. Resolution 2024-032 Request to the Ontario Provincial Police – Upper Ottawa Valley Detachment (Pembroke) to Attend Before the Council of the City of Pembroke to Present an Actionable Plan to Combat Local Drug Crime Drug-Related Crime, Drug Trafficking and the Establishment of Drug Houses in the City of Pembroke

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

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AND WHEREAS all levels of government share in the responsibility to combat illegal and toxic drug use including the federal government's jurisdiction over criminal law and controlled substances, the provincial government's jurisdiction over health care and property regulation, and the municipal government's role in by-law enforcement and the provision of local services including policing and social services;

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And Whereas one of the highest priorities of any municipality must be the safety and security of its residents;

Now Therefore It Is Moved that the City of Pembroke, its elected officials and staff carry out the following actions on behalf of the municipality:

1. That a request be made to the Ontario Provincial Police – Upper Ottawa Valley Detachment (Pembroke) to attend before the Council of the City of Pembroke within 90 days to present an actionable plan to combat local drug crime, drug-related crime, drug trafficking and the establishment of drug houses in the City of Pembroke (such presentation not to include any operational or investigative techniques or plans that, if disclosed publicly, would hinder policing efforts); and
2. That a copy of this Motion be posted on the City of Pembroke's website.

Councillor Lafreniere called for a recorded vote

Yea: Councillors: Kuehl, Lafreniere, Plummer

Nea: Deputy Mayor Abdallah, Councillors: Jacyno, Purcell, Mayor Gervais

Defeated 4-3

h. Resolution 2024-033 Request for More Frequent OPP Foot Patrols

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

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Now Therefore It Is Moved that the City of Pembroke, its elected officials and staff carry out the following actions on behalf of the municipality:

1. That the City of Pembroke requests that the Ontario Provincial Police – Upper Ottawa Valley Detachment (Pembroke) conduct more frequent foot patrols in target areas including, but not limited to, the downtown core; and
2. That a copy of this Motion be posted on the City of Pembroke's website

Carried

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Purcell

Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That the City of Pembroke Council table Resolution 2024-33

Councillor Lafreniere called for a recorded vote

Yea: Councillors: Jacyno, Purcell, Mayor Gervais

Nea: Deputy Mayor Abdallah, Councillors: Kuehl, Lafreniere, Plummer

Motion to Table Defeated 3-4

- i. Resolution 2024-034 Municipal Law Enforcement Measures Regarding Illegal and Toxic Drug Use

Motion withdrawn by Councillor Kuehl

Moved by

Seconded by

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And Whereas one of the highest priorities of any municipality must be the safety and security of its residents;

Now Therefore It Is Moved that the City of Pembroke, its elected officials and staff carry out the following actions on behalf of the municipality:

1. That the City of Pembroke reasonably use any and all lawful enforcement efforts at its disposal to tackle the issues of drug crime, drug-related crime, drug trafficking and the establishment of drug houses in the City of Pembroke including, but not limited to, the application and enforcement of nuisance laws, the passing of any new by-laws or the amending of any existing by-laws (including nuisance by-laws, fouling by-laws, property standards by-laws, etc.), and making referrals as necessary to the OPP for matters relating to the *Criminal Code of Canada*, the *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act* (Canada) and other federal or provincial laws and regulations; and
2. That a copy of this Motion be posted on the City of Pembroke's website.

Withdrawn

- j. Resolution 2024-035 Making Illegal the Littering, Disposing or Deposition of Drugs, Drug Residue or Drug Paraphernalia on Private Property

Motion to be addressed at the December 3, 2024 Council meeting

There was a duplication of resolution readings as provided in the agenda package, with incorrect information presented in resolution 2024-035. The motion will be added to the December 3, 2024 regular Council meeting agenda for debate.

Withdrawn

- j. Resolution 2024-036 Community Improvement Plan Grant for the Purchasing of New Security Systems with a Public Benefit and Promotion of the CAMSafe Program

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by

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And Whereas section 28 of the *Planning Act* permits a municipality to adopt a community improvement plan that may provide for community improvements such as the provision of such residential, commercial, industrial, public, recreational, institutional, religious, charitable or other uses, buildings, structures, works, improvements or facilities, or spaces therefor, as may be appropriate or necessary;

And Whereas one of the highest priorities of any municipality must be the safety and security of its residents;

Now Therefore It Is Moved that the City of Pembroke, its elected officials and staff carry out the following actions on behalf of the municipality:

1. That Council directs staff and the Community Improvement Plan Committee to research, develop and propose a new CIP grant that would provide financial assistance to persons or businesses purchasing security systems that would have a public benefit to them including, but not limited to, the installation of outdoor security cameras that could be accessed, if and when needed, by local police or by-law enforcement to assist in the solving of local area crimes;
2. That the City of Pembroke continue to support and promote the use by local residents of the CAMSafe program that allows property owners with security cameras to register their cameras with law enforcement who can then call on the residents for access to their cameras if a crime is committed in their area; and
3. That a copy of this Motion be posted on the City of Pembroke's website.

Tabled

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Purcell

That the City of Pembroke Council table Resolution 2024-36

Councillor Kuehl called for a recorded vote

Yea: Deputy Mayor Abdallah, Councillors: Jacyno, Lafreniere, Purcell, Mayor Gervais

Nea: Councillors: Kuehl, Plummer

Motion to Table Carried 5-2

8. Mayor's Report

Mayor Gervais provided an update on the community functions he attended on behalf of Council.

November 8

- Attendance at grand opening Lifemark Health Centre Pembroke in the Pembroke Mall.
- Attendance at official opening of Pembroke Silverstick tournament (celebrating its 40th Anniversary). The tournament is a positive economic driver and Mayor Gervais encourages the community to welcome our visitors with valley charm.

November 11

- Attendance at Remembrance Day Ceremony hosted by Pembroke Legion, commended the group for an outstanding service that was well attended

November 14

- Attendance at Horticultural Society Anniversary Gala

November 19

- Attendance at a Community Leaders event hosted by Garrison Petawawa. Had the opportunity to view military training in the training area. The event highlights the importance of ongoing partnership between Garrison Petawawa and local communities.

9. Notices of Motion**10. Councillor Updates**

Deputy Mayor Abdallah

- Promoted the Pembroke Santa Clause parade Saturday at 5:30 p.m.
- Kiwanis and Rotary club for toy drives and fundraising
- Germania Hall Christmas Kringle event this Saturday

Councillor Purcell

- Warming Centre update – the location for the 2024-2025 winter has changed. A lease has been acquired with the OATC on John Street. The lease will enable the centre to pride a Warming Centre program 24 hours a day 7 days a week. It will be operated by McKay Manor employees with specialized training and experienced. It is anticipated a soft launch of the service for next week. Kudos to the partners in the program Town of Petawawa, Township of Laurentian Valley and the staff involved at the County of Renfrew to address this matter with innovative and sustainable approach.
- Attendance at Remembrance Day Ceremonies
- Attendance at Accessibility Advisory Committee

Deputy Mayor Abdallah left room at 9:42 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Abdallah returned at 9:43 p.m.

Councillor Jacyno

- Update on supportive bridge housing at Carefore, construction is progressing as planned

Councillor Kuehl

- November 15 – Sip and Shop at the Best Western, very well attended
- Kiwanis Christmas Extravaganza, successful night and everything raised goes to the toy fundraiser
- Promotion of Deck the Halls Community Showdown, brand new event being put on by the City's recreation team
- Festival Hall events and updates, the RFP process for the facility management is largely completed and there will

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That the hour be extended to consider business after 10:00 p.m., as per Section 7.2.6 of the Procedural By-law.

Carried

Councillor Lafreniere

- Promoted the County of Renfrew MESA teams positive work done in the space of outreach to the vulnerable sector of the community and the impact of preventing visits to the emergency room along with providing relevant resources.

11. Closed Session 9:56 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Lafreniere

Seconded by Councillor Purcell

That this meeting become a closed meeting to discuss advice that is subject to solicitor/client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose as per Section 239(2)(f) of the Municipal Act, more specifically as it relates to 273 Victoria Street; and a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board, as per Section 239(2)(c) of the Municipal Act, more specifically as it relates to former CN Lands/B Trail

Carried**12. Business Arising from the Closed Session 11:15**

Mayor Gervais indicated that a Council in Caucus meeting was held and there were no pecuniary interests declared. He indicated that two items were provided and staff was provided with direction on both items.

13. Confirming By-law

Confirming By-law 27-2024

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Purcell

Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That By-law 27-2024 to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council of November 19, 2024, 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

14. Adjournment

Motion:

Moved by

Seconded by

That the November 19, 2024, regular meeting of Council adjourn at 11:16 p.m.

Carried

Ron Gervais
Mayor

Victoria Charbonneau
Municipal Clerk

Planning & Development Committee Meeting

Council Chambers
Pembroke, Ontario
November 5, 2024
6:25 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Present:

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

Regrets:

Also, Present:

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

Councillor Jacyno called the meeting to order at 6:25 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

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah
Seconded by Councillor Kuehl
That the agenda of the Planning & Development Committee meeting of November 5, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Carried

4. Approval of Minutes

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Kuehl
Seconded by Councillor Purcell
That the minutes of the October 1, 2024, meeting of the Planning and Development Committee be approved as circulated.

Carried

5. Business Arising from Minutes

6. Presentations/Delegations

a. **Pembroke 50+ Senior Active Living Centre**

As presented by Connie Ball, President and Paula Selkirk, Secretary

President Ball and Secretary Selkirk provided an overview of the presentation. A discussion was held, and the following points were raised:

- The significance of the learning opportunities the Centre provides is exceptional and should be commended.
- Potential opportunities for collaborative partnerships was discussed for multifaceted programming within the City.

7. New Business

a. **Report to Prohibit and Regulate Fortification**

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

- Questions arose regarding if there have been issues regarding property fortification in the City of Pembroke
- Questions regarding potential contravention/impediment to the CAMSAFE program (potential language regarding where cameras can be pointed and not pointed could be further clarified for user clarity)
- Questions were raised about the need for an exemption process.

Direction: That staff clarify wording on the by-law presented to articulate/define what excessive fortification is and acceptable usage of private residence cameras and bring back to Committee for review.

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Purcell

That the Planning and Development Committee direct staff to prepare by-law regarding the Fortification of Land, as presented.

Tabled

b. **Proposed Vacant Building Registry By-law**

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

- Questions regarding the use of an additional tax on vacant homes to promote development. Direction was provided to have the Treasurer to provide a report to the Committee at a future meeting.
- Process for residents to declare their properties as occupied, along with a recommended approach for how the City would handle cases where residents do not respond regarding properties that are not vacant (but could potentially be marked as vacant), to prevent inappropriate tax increases and save administrative time.
- Questions were raised about the definitions of vacant homes versus vacant commercial buildings and whether staff could look into the possibility of a vacant commercial building tax.

- Question surrounding the 30-day vacancy limit and if it pertains to an apartment single unit. The response included that a single apartment unit is not applicable to the 30 day threshold, however an entire apartment building would qualify.
- Discussion around staff time required to implement the by-law and if it would be recouped by the proposed tax

Direction: That the Planning and Development Committee direct staff to prepare a Vacant Building Registry By-law.

Carried

c. Parking Concerns on Bronx Street Between Reynolds Street and George Street
 Director Sauriol presented the report. A discussion was held, and the following points were raised:

- Noted overflow in these areas and that it is an issue
- It was also noted that there are many similar issues in areas throughout the City
- Lack of street access on streets narrowed by parking can pose serious concerns to Fire Department vehicle access, and potentially pose a threat to public safety

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Kuehl

That the Planning and Development Committee approve a total “no parking” zone which means no parking at any time on the north side of Bronx Street Between Reynolds Street and George Street.

Carried

d. Parking Concerns on William Street Adjacent to 272 Pembroke Street East
 Director Sauriol presented the report. A discussion was held and the following points were raised:

- Question regarding if there was a By-law that addresses partially blocking driveway
- It was requested that staff bring back any statistics on file that would provide the number of tickets after 4:00 p.m. for parking infractions from the Operations Department.

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

Seconded by Mayor Gervais

That the Planning and Development Committee approve the removal of one parking space and extend the “no parking” zone to the south side of the existing first driveway off of William Street, as presented.

Carried

e. Request to Lease Parking Lot at Corner of Lake Street and College Way
 Ms. Sauriol presented the report. A discussion was held and the following points were raised:

- Costs for maintenance for the lot are not done by the City
- Importance of considering asset management factors in agreements with City owned leased property

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

That the Planning and Development Committee approve the entering into a parking agreement for a one-year period regarding the parking lot at the corner of Lake Street and College Way.

Carried

f. Parking Concerns on Eganville Road at Willard Street

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

- Concerns with addressing all intersections that are similar in nature
- Questions regarding if these types of matters can be dealt with through delegated authority

Direction:

1. Staff directed to investigate if delegated authority for parking matters can be implemented
2. Have the roads patroller provide an update/report on key performance indicators (KPIs) including safety issues identified, and those that need to be addressed.

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

Seconded by Mayor Gervais

That the Planning and Development Committee approve the removal of the one parking space along the east side of Eganville Road, as presented.

Carried

8. Adjournment

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That the Planning & Development Committee meeting of November 5, 2024, adjourn at 7:58 p.m.

Carried

Finance and Administration Committee Meeting Minutes

Council Chambers
Pembroke, Ontario
November 5, 2024
8:06 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Present:

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

Regrets:

Also Present:

Dave Unrau, Chief Administrative Officer
Victoria Charbonneau, Municipal Clerk
Chief Scott Selle, Pembroke Fire Department
A. Lohtie, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk

Deputy Mayor Abdallah called the meeting to order at 8:06 p.m.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest declared.

3. Approval/Amendment of Meeting Agenda

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Purcell

That the agenda of the Finance & Administration Committee meeting of November 5, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Carried

4. Approval of Minutes

- Finance and Administration Committee – October 1, 2024

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That the minutes of the Finance and Administration Committee meeting of October 1, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Carried

5. Business Arising from Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

6. New Business

a. PFD Monthly Report 2024

Chief Selle presented the information report.

- Follow up on timing of burn permit issuance and if all permits can be renew on a calendar year. Response included difficulty in prorating annual fee for late registrations

b. Monthly Accounts (January, February, March 2024)

Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Lochtie presented the information report.

- It was noted that April 2024 is included in this report (although not in the title) 8:22

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Jacyno

That the Finance and Administration Committee accept the monthly accounts, as presented.

Carried

c. Warming Center 2024-2025

CAO Unrau presented the report. A discussion was held, and the following points were raised:

- It was discussed that a meeting was held with Farmer's Market, and downtown representatives, the Warden of the County, Council representatives. Discussion at this meeting included a list of concerns regarding transition of site after the Warming Centre, the fact that the site will be for the upcoming 2024/2025 cold season only, and that the County will be investigating an alternative site for 2025/2026. To note, it was stated that the County of Renfrew would be coordinating the overall operation of the Warming Centre will be done through McKay Manor for the upcoming season.
- A detailed response on the matter can be viewed on the YouTube recording of the November 5, 2024 Finance and Administration Committee meeting with the time stamp of approximately 8:25 p.m.

Direction: Committee directs staff to schedule a meeting with the City's Provincial Member of Parliament to address the Warming Centre in Pembroke and formulate a plan/strategy to address the matter for the 2025/2026 season, and communication with upper levels of government in response to the matter.

Motion to Table:

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That the Finance and Administration Committee table expenditure of \$100,000 plus \$10,000 for the 2024/2025 Warming Center and the location of the Farmers Market, as presented, until further information is presented from the County of Renfrew in the form of a budget.

Councillor Plummer called for a recorded vote.

Yea: Councillor Kuehl, Councillor Plummer

Nea: Deputy Mayor Abdallah, Councillors: Jacyno, Lafreniere, Purcell, Mayor Gervais

Defeated 5:2

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Purcell

Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That the Finance and Administration Committee approve the expenditure of \$100,000 plus \$10,000 for the 2024/2025 Warming Center and the location of the Farmers Market, as presented.

Councillor Plummer called for a recorded vote.

Yea: Deputy Mayor Abdallah, Councillors: Jacyno, Lafreniere, Purcell, Mayor Gervais

Nea: Councillor Kuehl, Councillor Plummer

Carried 5:2

d. City Hall Staffing

CAO Unrau and Treasurer Lochtie presented the report. A discussion was held and the following points were raised:

- Questions regarding to outsourcing payroll and Human Resources services (e.g. third party for payroll and/or contracting the County of Renfrew for Human Resources on an as needed basis)
- Responses included that the City receives support through legal representation for HR support when needed. It was stated that staff recognize the value in the intuitive function of having an in-house Human Resource Generalist
- It was stated that there are several efficiencies to be found in the addition of new roles as outlined in the report
- Questions regarding funding of new positions and the long-term effects on the corporation's budget

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor

That the Finance and Administration Committee address the City Hall Staffing report options during budget deliberations.

Carried

Councillor Jacyno exited the room at 9:51 p.m.

Councillor Jacyno returned to the room at 9:53 p.m.

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Lafreniere

Seconded by Councillor Kuehl

Per section 7.2.6 motion to extend the meeting the hour

Carried

7. Adjournment

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Jacyno

That the Finance and Administration Committee meeting of November 5, 2024, adjourn at 8:07 p.m.

Carried

Striking Committee Meeting

Council Chambers
Pembroke, Ontario
November 5, 2024
10:15 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Present:

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

Regrets

Councillor Plummer

Also, Present:

David Unrau, Chief Administrative Officer/Deputy Clerk
Victoria Charbonneau, Municipal Clerk

Mayor Gervais called the meeting to order at 10:15 p.m.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

3. Approval/Amendment of Meeting Agenda

Motion:

Moved by Councillor Purcell

Seconded by Councillor Kuehl

That the agenda of the Striking Committee meeting of November 5, 2024, be approved as circulated.

Carried

Motion:

Moved By Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Purcell

That the hour be extended to consider business after 10:00 p.m., as per Section 7.2.6 of the Procedural By-law.

Carried

4. Approval of Minutes**Motion:**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Kuehl

That the minutes of the Striking Committee meeting of August 13, 2024 be approved as circulated.

Carried

5. Business Arising for Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

6. Closed Session 10:17 p.m.**Motion:**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Jacyno

That this meeting become a closed meeting to discuss personal matters about identifiable individuals, including municipal or local board employees who have been recommended to serve on the Civics Awards Committee, Pembroke Economic Development Advisory Committee, and Waterfront Development Advisory Committee (Section 239 (2) of the *Municipal Act* as amended).

Carried

7. Business Arising from Closed Session

The Chair indicated that a Striking Committee in Caucus was held to discuss personal matters about identifiable individuals who were recommended to serve on the Civics Awards Committee, Pembroke Economic Development Advisory Committee, and Waterfront Development Advisory Committee. The Chair indicated that there were no pecuniary interests declared and that a report concerning the individuals recommended for the appointment to the Civics Awards Committee, Pembroke Economic Development Advisory Committee, and Waterfront Development Advisory Committee, was discussed during the open Striking Committee meeting.

8. New Business

a. Civics Awards Committee, Pembroke Economic Development Advisory Committee, and Waterfront Development Advisory Committee Vacancies

Clerk Charbonneau presented and reviewed the report.

Motion:

Moved by

Seconded by

That the Striking Committee endorse and recommends to Council the appointment of the following individuals to the following committee

1. Civic Awards Committee: Faithe Campbell and Luas Palubeski.
2. Pembroke Economic Development Advisory Committee (PEDAC): Ron Moss and Lucas Palubeski.

3. Waterfront Development Advisory Committee: Terry Lapierre, Gerry Morris, Ron Moss, Mike Thompson, Robert Rossow, Deputy Mayor Brian Abdallah and Councillor Pat Lafreniere.

Carried

9. Adjournment

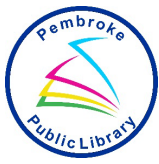
Motion:

Moved by Councillor Kuehl

Seconded by Councillor Jacyno

That the Striking Committee meeting of November 5, 2024, adjourn at 10:33 p.m.

Carried



Pembroke Public Library Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 17, 2024
6:00 pm

Members Present: Renelle Charron, Justin Jeffrey, Ronald Gervais, Brian Abdallah, Mike Popke

Excused: Bill Halkett, Wendy Hewitt

Absent: None

Staff: Karthi Rajamani, CEO

Board Minutes: Sara Thibeault

1. Call to Order:

- The meeting was called to order at 6:05pm.

2. Land Acknowledgement:

- Brian Abdallah read the Land Acknowledgement.

3. Approval of Agenda

MOTION: To approve the Agenda:

#24:40 M/ Renelle Charron, S/ Justin Jeffrey. CARRIED.

4. Approval of Minutes:

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the Board Meeting held on September 19, 2024:

#24:41 M/ Renelle Charron, S/ Justin Jeffrey. CARRIED.

5. Conflict of Interest: None

6. Business Arising from Minutes: None

8. Correspondence:

- Brian and Ron shared that Bill Halkett would be resigning from the Library Board.

9. Board Chair Report:

- Brian mentioned his biweekly visits to the library to sign invoices.
- He reported that though the Pay Equity pay raises had been approved for all library staff, Karthi's is still outstanding.

10. CEO Report:

- Karthi spoke about the many programs scheduled in honour of the upcoming Ontario Public Library Week, including several planned with the Local Immigration Partnership group.
- She recounted the recent successful Volunteer Appreciation Tea.
- She mentioned that Pembroke Public Library, in partnership with several libraries in the Lanark & Renfrew counties, is applying for the OLA's "Angus Mowat Award for Excellence" following last spring's "Around the World in 90 Days" reading challenge.
- Karthi informed Board Members that the updated library website would be going live soon, as per the 2023 Strategic Plan.
- She mentioned that the Township of Laurentian Valley had recently set up direct deposit banking with the library to use for future service payments.
- She indicated that the library's signing authority, formerly assigned to Elizabeth Brose-Hinson, would have to be officially transferred to Brian Abdallah.
A visit to the bank has been planned for next week.
- She stated that the Pay Equity pay raises had been approved for all library staff following official memos and pay grids being submitted to the City.
Staff performance evaluations are also under way.
- Karthi gave Board Members all relevant updates and projects undertaken by the library in according with the 2023 Strategic Plan.

11. Financial Report:

- Karthi presented her preliminary budget in detail to Board Members, after which discussions followed. The final budget is due to be submitted by November 28, 2024.
- Following questioning about HST tax returns, Karthi informed Board Members that she had received no answer from the City regarding the expected receipt of these funds since she became CEO in 2016.
- Board Members discussed HR training available to staff.

12. Property Report:

- Brian reported he and Karthi would soon be reviewing quotes for the window repairs and cement work needing to be done around the property.
- Karthi summarized the total cost for the building's recent security updates as well as the repairs required following damages done to the phone lines, this past summer.
- Following an inquiry by the Board Chair, Justin responded that the Lease Subcommittee had not yet met to discuss the library's pending lease agreement with the City of Pembroke.

13. Policies: None

14. In-Camera Session: None

15. Acceptance of All Reports:

MOTION: To accept all reports:

#24:42 M/ Ron Gervais, S/ Mike Popke. CARRIED.

16. New Business: None

17. Adjournment: Approximately 7:05pm.



MOTION: To adjourn:

#24:43 M/ Renelle Charron, S/ Mike Popke. CARRIED.

18. Next Meeting: Thursday, November 21, 2024 at 6:00pm.

Board Chair

Brian Abdallah

CEO

Karthi Rajamani



Tuesday, December 3, 2024

Your Striking Committee of Council begs to report and recommend, from its meeting held this evening as follows:

Moved by:

Seconded by:

That _____ be appointed to the Pembroke Public Library Board until the end of the current term of Council ending November 14, 2026.

And

That _____ be appointed to the Ottawa Valley Waste Management Board Public Liaison Committee until the end of the current term of Council ending November 14, 2026.

Carried

Mayor



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

Date: 2024-12-03

Resolution No: 2024-035

Moved by:

Seconded by:

WHEREAS residents of the City of Pembroke have experienced significant increases in drug crimes and drug-related crimes throughout the City of Pembroke, including increases in the frequency and severity of such crimes;

AND WHEREAS local businesses, and particularly those in the downtown core, have been directly impacted by the higher incidences of drug crimes and drug-related crimes that increase business losses and expenses and decrease foot traffic and the belief that certain parts of the City of Pembroke are safe and welcoming;

AND WHEREAS residents of, and private properties within, the City of Pembroke have had to endure ongoing harassment and nuisances caused by illegal and toxic drug users, drug trafficking and drug houses, including exposure to toxic drugs and drug paraphernalia;

AND WHEREAS increased law enforcement efforts are needed to focus on those individuals and criminal organizations that illegally traffic and sell controlled substances and profit off of their drug using victims;

AND WHEREAS all levels of government share in the responsibility to combat illegal and toxic drug use including the federal government's jurisdiction over criminal law and controlled substances, the provincial government's jurisdiction

over health care and property regulation, and the municipal government's role in by-law enforcement and the provision of local services including policing and social services;

AND WHEREAS subsection 10(2) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, provides broad jurisdiction to single-tier municipalities in matters relating to:

1. the economic, social and environmental well-being of the municipality,
2. the health, safety and well-being of persons, and
3. the protection of persons and property;

AND WHEREAS section 127 of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, provides that a local municipality may prohibit the depositing of refuse or debris on land without the consent of the owner or occupant of the land and may define "refuse" for the purpose of this section;

AND WHEREAS subsection 128(1) of the *Municipal Act, 2001*, provides that a local municipality may prohibit and regulate with respect to public nuisances, including matters that, in the opinion of council, are or could become or cause public nuisances;

AND WHEREAS one of the highest priorities of any municipality must be the safety and security of its residents;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS MOVED that the City of Pembroke, its elected officials and staff carry out the following actions on behalf of the municipality:

1. That the City of Pembroke specifically pass a new by-law, or amend an existing relevant by-law, that makes the littering, disposing or depositing of drugs, drug residue or drug paraphernalia on private property without the consent of the property owner against the law; and
2. That a copy of this Motion be posted on the City of Pembroke's website.

Carried

Mayor



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

Date: 2024-12-17

Resolution No: 2024-37

Moved by:

Seconded by:

Whereas current police services within the Municipality of the City of Pembroke (hereinafter referred to as the 'Municipality') are provided by the Ontario Provincial Police (hereinafter referred to as the 'OPP');

And Whereas the Municipality and the local OPP detachment have worked in a positive, collaborative and effective manner since 2013;

And Whereas historical increases in OPP Annual Billing Statements over the last several years have trended around 2.6%;

And Whereas the OPP submitted their 2025 Annual Billing Statement to the Municipality on October 4, 2024, that identifies an approximate \$837,266 (19.0%) increase from 2024 to 2025 that will translate to an approximate 3.35% tax levy increase, in addition to what the Municipality was contemplating for the residents of Pembroke;

And Whereas the Municipality was not consulted nor provided any advanced notice from the Commissioner regarding the significant cost increase received for OPP services;

And Whereas the Municipality cannot afford to absorb this unexpected and entirely preventable increase without causing financial strain to our taxpayers;

Therefore Be It Resolved That the Municipality of the City of Pembroke wishes to dispute the 2025 OPP Annual Billing Statement;

And Further That the City requests that the 2025 OPP Annual Billing Statement and all future years be capped at an approximate 5% increase that is more manageable for the Municipality;

And Further That any increase above 5% be absorbed by the province as the additional costs are directly the result of collective bargaining that was within the control of the OPP and should have been known to be financially unsustainable for the municipalities that now need to pay the bill;

And Further That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Honourable Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Michael Kerzner, Solicitor General, MPP Trevor Jones, the MPP for Renfrew–Nipissing–Pembroke John Yakabuski and all lower tier municipalities in Renfrew County.

Carried

Mayor

The Corporation of the City of Pembroke

Confirming By-law Number 29-2024

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 third day of December 2024

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 December 3rd, 2024, 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 3rd Day of December 2024

Ron Gervais
Mayor

Victoria Charbonneau
Municipal Clerk