

City of Pembroke Council Meeting

Council Chambers
Pembroke, Ontario
September 1, 2020
7:22 p.m.

1. Call to Order

Present:

Mayor LeMay
Deputy Mayor Gervais
Councillor Abdallah
Councillor Lafreniere
Councillor Plummer
Councillor Reavie

Regrets:

Councillor Jacyno

Also Present:

Terry Lapierre, CAO/Clerk
Nancy Rapin, Recording Secretary

Mayor LeMay called the regular meeting of Council to order at 7:22 p.m.

2. Opening Prayer or Reflection

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest & General Nature Thereof

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

4. Minutes

i. Approve Minutes from Council

a. Special Meeting of Council – August 11, 2020

Motion

Moved by Councillor Plummer
Seconded by Councillor Reavie

That the minutes of the Special Meeting of Council of August 11, 2020 be approved as circulated.

Carried

b. Regular Meeting of Council – August 11, 2020

Motion

Moved by Councillor Reavie
Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That the minutes of the regular meeting of Council of August 11, 2020 be approved as circulated.

Carried

- ii. Adopt Minutes from Committees
 - a. Combined Committee – August 11, 2020

Motion

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That the minutes of the August 11, 2020 Combined Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried

- b. Special Combined Committee – August 19, 2020

Motion

Moved by Councillor Abdallah

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Gervais

That the minutes of the August 19, 2020 Special Combined Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried

- c. Striking Committee – August 11, 2020

Motion

Moved by Councillor Reavie

Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That the minutes of the August 11, 2020 Striking Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried

- iii. Receive Minutes from Local Boards

- a. Pembroke Public Library Board – April 8, 2020 and May 21, 2020

Motion

Moved by Councillor Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That the minutes from the April 8, 2020 and May 21, 2020 Library Board meeting be received as circulated.

Carried

5. By-Laws

- a. 2020-62 – Delegate Authority to Treasurer (Assessment Review Board Matters)

Motion

Moved by Councillor Plummer

Seconded by Councillor Lafreniere

That By-law 2020-62, being a By-law to authorize the Treasurer or his/her designate, to file complaints to the Assessment Review Board relating to requests for reconsideration of assessment, and to settle assessment appeals and requests for reconsideration of assessment, 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. 2020-63 – Rezoning (1050 Pembroke Street West)

Motion

Moved by Councillor Reavie

Seconded by Councillor Abdallah

That By-law 2020-63, being a By-law to authorize the amendment of Zoning By-law 2020-05, regarding 1050 Pembroke Street West, 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. 2020-64 – Regulate Traffic By-law

Motion

Moved by Deputy Mayor Gervais

Seconded by Councillor Reavie

That By-law 2020-64, a By-law regulate traffic 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

- d. 2020-65 – Appoint By-law Enforcement Officers

Motion

Moved by Councillor Lafreniere

Seconded by Councillor Plummer

That By-law 2020-65, a By-law to appoint Municipal By-law Enforcement Officers for 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

- e. 2020-66 – Connecting Links Program Agreement

Motion

Moved by Deputy Mayor Gervais

Seconded by Councillor Reavie

That By-law 2020-66, a By-law to enter into a contribution agreement between Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Ontario as represented by the Minister of Transportation and the Corporation of the City of Pembroke to receive funding under the Connecting Links Program Intake 5, 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

- f. 2020-67 – Lifting of One Foot Reserves in Seigel Enterprises Subdivision

Motion

Moved by Councillor Abdallah

Seconded by Councillor Reavie

That By-law 2020-67, a By-law to authorize the lifting of One Foot Reserves in Phase 2 of the K & L Seigel Enterprises of Pembroke Limited Subdivision 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

- g. 2020-68 – Stopping Up & Closing of an Unopened Portion of Victoria Street

Motion

Moved by Councillor Abdallah

Seconded by Deputy Mayor Gervais

That By-law 2020-68, a By-law to provide for the stopping up and closing of an unopened portion of Victoria Street 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

6. Motions

- a. Resolution 2020-017 – Endorse Virtual Triage and Assessment Centre

Moved by Councillor Reavie

Seconded by Councillor Abdallah

That the Corporation of the City of Pembroke endorses and supports the resolution adopted by the Corporation of the County of Renfrew at its August 26, 2020 Council meeting which read as follows:

“THAT County Council endorse the Virtual Triage and Assessment Centre; AND FURTHER THAT all related documentation be forwarded to the local municipalities and to the City of Pembroke for support.”

And that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Premier Doug Ford, Province of Ontario; Hon. Merrilee Fullerton, Minister of Long-Term Care; Hon. John Yakabuski, Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry; and Dr. Cushman, Medical Officer of Health, Renfrew County and District Health Unit.

Carried

7. Mayor’s Report

Mayor LeMay reminded everyone that a COVID-19 is still present and for residents to continue to practice safe habits such as regular hand-washing, social distancing, and wearing masks in public indoor spaces. He thanked local businesses, front line workers and residents for their diligence. He indicated that he and Councillor Jacyno attended the annual AMO conference virtually August 16th -19th where they had a delegate meeting with Mr. Billy Pang, the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture, and a second meeting with Minister Scott of the Ministry of Infrastructure in which MPP Yakabuski participated in as well. Mayor LeMay stated that he will be organizing a Mayor’s Diversity Round Table to discuss racism and discrimination brought on by an act of discrimination in the City which both angered and saddened him deeply.

8. Notices of Motion

There were no notices of motion.

9. Councillor Updates

Councillor Abdallah encouraged residents to become involved in the Community Watch especially in the wake of the racist incident that took place in the City last week. The next meeting will be held at the Waterfront Amphitheatre on Saturday, September 19th at 11:00 a.m. with the rain location being at the Pem Ice II Activity Room. He indicated that more information can be directed to himself or Deputy Mayor Gervais through City Hall or email [Community Watch](#) .

Community Watch information will be distributed with the next Water Sewer bills. Councillor Abdallah also shared that the PBIA is sponsoring the Veteran's Banner Program which honours veterans who have a connection to Pembroke and local areas and will be displayed on light posts on Pembroke Street West from Mackay Street to Christie Street. For a fee of \$120, a veteran can be featured on a banner. For more information, visit [PBIA website](#) or call 613-629-5555.

Councillor Reavie indicated that the Board of Health will again meet in September. Dr. Cushman is relaying a request that with back to school and a potential surge in COVID-19 cases, people that are A-symptomatic not get tested because this would strain labs.

10. Closed Session

A meeting was held earlier this evening to discuss a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of lands by the municipality.

11. Business Arising from Closed Session

Mayor LeMay indicated that staff was directed to move forward with the disposition of land located at 524 Pembroke Street East, a vacant residential lot owned by the City. There were no pecuniary interests declared.

12. Confirming By-law

- Confirming By-law 17-2020

Motion:

Moved by Deputy Mayor Gervais

Seconded by Councillor Reavie

That By-law 17-2020 to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council of September 1, 2020 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

13. Adjournment**Motion:**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Gervais

Seconded by Councillor Reavie

That the September 1, 2020 regular meeting of Council adjourn at 7:43 p.m.

Carried

Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk

Mayor