

Council Chambers
PEMBROKE, Ontario

April 4, 2006

The Regular Meeting of Council was held this evening with Mayor Jacyno presiding and all members of Council in attendance with the exception of Councillor Lafreniere and Councillor Levasseur. Also in attendance was T. Lapierre, Chief Administrative Officer.

PRESENTATIONS:

Wayne Cotnam and Martin Habraken were present representing St. Johns Ambulance. They came forward to provide a 'Certificate of Appreciation' to the City in thanks for its' contribution of \$5,000. in one-time funding towards water damage restoration work with respect to a flood at the St. Johns Ambulance building on MacKay Street in 2003.

MINUTES:

On motion of Councillor O'Neill, seconded by Councillor White, the minutes of the Regular and Caucus meetings of March 21, 2006 were approved, as circulated. *CARRIED.*

COMMUNICATIONS:

Mayor Jacyno reported on his actions with respect to a M.U.N.D. meeting he attended o March 24, 2006 in Kingston, his trip to St. Catherines and Toronto re economic development prospects, his attendance March 29th at the new Paramedic Services base in Renfrew and his attendance at the United Way Annual General Meeting on March 30th.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF:

Deputy-Mayor Scott declared a pecuniary interest in the matter of Resolution No. 008 and the Matheson Drive Plan of Subdivision as he owns property within the 120m notice area.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. Deputy-Mayor Scott presented the report of the Finance Committee, which was received on her motion, seconded by Councillor White, as follows:

March 20, 2006

Corporation of the City of Pembroke
Pembroke, ON

Your Finance Committee begs to report and recommend as follows:

We have examined the accounts as per the attached schedule and would recommend the payment of same as set out therein, as follows:

February, 2006 accounts \$3,594,783.43

All of which is respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Deputy-Mayor Scott, Councillors White, O'Neill, Henderson, Severin,
Lowe and Mayor Jacyno.

1.A. Councillor Lowe reported on her attendance at a Sustainable Communities Course held in North Bay recently. She felt that it was a very worthwhile course and she would provide a full report to Council in the near future.

BY-LAWS:

FIRST AND SECOND READINGS:

The following by-laws were now introduced and read a first and second time, Rule 71 being suspended for that purpose, on motion of the members named, viz:

2. By-law Number 2006-15; by-law to authorize the adoption of Amendment No. Eleven to the Official Plan, 2001 of the City of Pembroke. (Re: 397 Bell Street - from "I" to "R3")

(Councillor O'Neill and Councillor Severin)

3. *By-law Number 2006-16; by-law to amend By-law 97-38 of the Corporation of the City of Pembroke. (Re: 397 Bell Street - from "I" to "R3") (Councillor O'Neill and Councillor Severin)*

THIRD READING:

The following by-laws were then read a third time, short and passed, Rule 71 being suspended for that purpose, on motion of the members named, viz:

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SPECIAL ORDERS:

Mayor Jacyno declared the month of April as Daffodil Month.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS:

On motion of Councillor Lowe, seconded by Councillor Severin, Rick MacDonald came forward to discuss the 2006 P.D.D.C. Budget process. Mr. MacDonald indicated that in the past P.D.D.C. members have always had the opportunity to vote on the proposed budget. He felt that because of certain disruptions at the February 25th meeting the budget was not passed because the P.D.D.C. Board felt that it would have difficulties achieving this. He further stated that the meeting was abruptly cancelled with those members present being advised that there would be another meeting at which time they would be provided with the opportunity to vote on the budget. He stated that he understands that the budget has been decided by the P.D.D.C. Board of Directors

and forwarded to Council for their consideration. Mr. MacDonald asked Council not to pass the budget and to send it back to the Board suggesting either of two options to the Board - #1, that the Board have members vote on the budget, or #2, that the Board allow its membership to discuss the budget and have input.

Mr. MacDonald was thanked for his comments by the Mayor.

Councillor Lowe rose on a point of clarification. She indicated that on December 15th a draft budget was sent to all of the members of the P.D.D.C. asking that written comments be provided for Board consideration. On February 25th at the Board meeting a member of the P.D.D.C. came forth with a number of proxy votes. The utilization of proxy votes was something that had never been the practise of the Board or P.D.D.C. members in its history. Councillor Lowe felt that it was the opinion of the Board that proxies should be permitted for all members. The Board had asked for a copy of the proxies by the member presenting them but it was not provided. The Board had advised at the meeting that it would be seeking legal advise on the matter and it would get back to the membership. The Board subsequently contacted its lawyer as well as the City's Chief Administrative Officer and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs on the matter and was advised that, according to the Ontario Municipal Act, the Board is elected to make decisions and had the authority to send the proposed budget to Council directly after receiving input from P.D.D.C. members.

Deputy-Mayor Scott indicated that budget meeting dates had not yet been established, however, they would be in the near future. He commented that all budget meetings are open to the public at which time anyone can attend.

Mr. MacDonald thanked Mayor Jacyno and Council.

MOTIONS:

At this point Deputy-Mayor Scott declared a pecuniary interest regarding this matter and left the meeting. He returned to his chair following the discussion.

Resolution No. 008

4. Moved by Councillor Severin, seconded by Councillor O'Neill, THAT the Corporation of the City of Pembroke approve the attached conditions of draft approval dated April 4, 2006 for the Matheson Drive Plan of Subdivision (File No. 47T-05001) in accordance with Section 51 (25) of the Planning Act.

CARRIED.

CAUCUS MEETING:

On motion of Councillor Lowe, seconded by Councillor O'Neill, the meeting moved to an in-camera Council session to discuss litigation, potential litigation, the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, labour relations or the security of the property of the municipality.

CARRIED.

CONFIRMING BY-LAW:

The following by-law was now introduced and read a first, second and third time, short and passed, Rule 71 being suspended for that purpose, on motion of members named, viz:

By-law #06-2006, being a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the regular meeting of Council of the fourth day of April, 2006.
(Councillor Lowe and Councillor Severin)

*The meeting then adjourned on motion of Councillor O'Neill,
seconded by Councillor White.*

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor