

*Council Chambers  
Pembroke, Ontario*

*October 5, 2004*

*A Regular Meeting of Council was held this evening with Mayor Jacyno presiding and all members of Council in attendance. Staff member present was T. Lapierre, Chief Administrative Officer.*

*PRESENTATIONS:*

*Mayor Jacyno presented Michael Traversy and Clayton Traversy with Certificates of Commendation from the Governor-General of Canada's office for their heroic efforts to rescue a teenager trapped under a car. As it turned out, he noted, the teenager was Shaun Traversy, their own grandson and nephew. He congratulated them for their selflessness.*

*Councillor Levasseur came forward to present staff members Judi Shields and Dawn Turcotte with certificates for having completed the Emergency Lodging program taught by the Canadian Red Cross Society.*

*MINUTES:*

*On motion of Councillor Lowe, seconded by Councillor Severin, the minutes of the regular meeting of Council held September 21, 2004 were approved, as presented.*

*CARRIED.*

*COMMUNICATIONS:*

*Mayor Jacyno advised that he recently had attended a barbecue at the new French Catholic School, Jean LaJoie, being built in the west end of Pembroke. He had had a tour of the facility and noted that it is moving along quickly and will be a welcome addition to the community.*

*BY-LAWS:*

*FIRST & 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:*

- 1. By-law Number 2004-48; by-law to adopt Official Plan Amendment #6.  
(173 Fraser Lane)  
(Councillor O'Neill and Councillor Severin)*
- 2. By-law Number 2004-49; by-law to amend By-law 97-38 of the City of  
Pembroke. (173 Fraser Lane)  
(Councillor O'Neill and Councillor Severin)*
- 3. By-law Number 2004-50; by-law to amend By-law 99-42, being a by-law to  
provide employee benefits to certain classes of employees.  
(Deputy-Mayor Scott and Councillor Lowe)*
- 4. By-law Number 2004-51; by-law to authorize the execution of a Management  
Agreement with the Minister of Fisheries & Oceans for the operation of Small  
Craft Harbour facilities in the City of Pembroke.  
(Councillor Levasseur and Councillor White)*

*THIRD READING:*

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

- 1. By-law Number 2004-48; by-law to adopt Official Plan Amendment #6.  
(173 Fraser Lane)  
(Councillor O'Neill and Councillor Severin)*
- 2. By-law Number 2004-49; by-law to amend By-law 97-38 of the City of  
Pembroke. (173 Fraser Lane)  
(Councillor O'Neill and Councillor Severin)*

3. *By-law Number 2004-50; by-law to amend By-law 99-42, being a by-law to provide employee benefits to certain classes of employees.*

*(Deputy-Mayor Scott and Councillor Lowe)*

4. *By-law Number 2004-51; by-law to authorize the execution of a Management Agreement with the Minister of Fisheries & Oceans for the operation of Small Craft Harbour facilities in the City of Pembroke.*

*(Councillor Levasseur and Councillor White)*

SPECIAL ORDERS:

*Mayor Jacyno declared the week of October 18 to 24, 2004 as Canada's Citizenship Week. He also declared the same week as Waste Reduction Week.*

MOTIONS:

*Deputy-Mayor Scott pointed out that the contents of this motion are presently being discussed by the Province and wondered whether the matter should be referred to the Finance & Administration Committee for discussion.*

*Councillor Levasseur agreed, pointing out that the Association of Municipalities of Ontario is also reviewing the matter and MPAC has already made some adjustments.*

*Councillor Henderson felt that more information was needed about the group presenting the resolution. Councillor O'Neill pointed out that these problems have been building up for some time and they needed to be addressed by the Province.*

*Mayor Jacyno, wishing to comment on the matter, stepped down and Deputy-Mayor Scott took the chair.*

*Mayor Jacyno also felt the concerns needed to be addressed by the Province but pointed out that this group has not made any constructive suggestions on how to correct the problems with the present system.*

*It was subsequently agreed that the resolution would be tabled.*

5.            *Moved by Deputy-Mayor Scott , seconded by Councillor White,*

*WHEREAS it is a fact that the current method of property assessment is deeply flawed, unfair and unbalanced in Ontario;*

*AND WHEREAS M.P.A.C. (Municipal Property Assessment Corporation) has created undue hardship, frustration and financial turmoil for the ratepayers of Ontario;*

*AND WHEREAS it appears that M.P.A.C. is incapable of bringing their current system of property assessment under control;*

*AND WHEREAS M.P.A.C. is not addressing the errors and concerns being brought forward by the ratepayers of Ontario;*

*AND WHEREAS homeowners are literally in danger of losing their homes and properties;*

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE Council of the City of Pembroke endorses the recommendations contained in the submission from the Canadian Advocates for Tax Awareness (C.A.F.T.A.) and further that a copy of this resolution and information from C.A.F.T.A. be circulated to all municipalities in Ontario and A.M.O. requesting their support by resolution and forwarding it to their local M.P.P., Finance Minister Sorbara, Premier Dalton McGuinty and all ministers of the Ontario Legislature requesting the Ontario Provincial Government form a conference inviting the directors of C.A.F.T.A., all Ontario municipal leaders, the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for the purpose of creating a fair and balanced property assessment system.*

*TABLED.*

*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 the members named, viz:*

*Confirming By-law 19-2004; a by-law to confirm the proceedings of the Regular Meeting of Council held on the 5th day of October, 2004. (Councillor Lowe and Councillor Severin)*

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

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*Mayor*

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*Chief Administrative Officer*