
Pelican Rapids

Community Overview

History

The community is adjacent to the Sapotaweyak Cree Nation reserve. Information relates to the non-reserve side, unless otherwise noted.

Access

The community is located on the southeast shore of Dawson Bay on the north eastern end of Lake Winnipegosis and is connected to Provincial Trunk Highway 10 by Provincial Road 483 (28 kilometres of paved road).

Governance

The community is represented by a mayor and council under The Northern Affairs Act.

Economic Overview

Economic activity is largely confined to trapping and commercial fishing with some winter fishing. The community is located in the Porcupine and Shoal River Registered Trapline (RTL) zones. Trappers from surrounding communities also use this zone. Resident fishers deliver their catch to the Dawson Bay fish station.

Community Contacts

Pelican Rapids Community Council
General Delivery
Pelican Rapids, MB R0L 1L0

Phone: 204-587-2229

Fax: 204-587-2504

Email: rapids@xplornet.com

Office hours: Monday to Friday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Staff

The community employs a community administrative officer, public works employee/water operator and backup, volunteer fire chief and community safety officer.

Statistics

Census Year	Population
1985	219

1991	150
1996	176
2001	123
2006	111
2011	80
2016	72

**information is from Statistics Canada*

Households

There are 38 housing units.

Boundary

Manitoba Regulation 67/2009 refers to Director of Surveys at Winnipeg as No. 19316A. See map.

Property Assessment and Taxes

Information is from the 2020 assessment roll and Tax Rates and Levy Regulation (2020) of Manitoba Indigenous and Northern Relations.

Value of Assessment	
Business	\$4,300
Real Property	\$124,200
Grants-in-lieu	\$318,960
Exempt	\$198,680
Total	\$646,140
Rate of Taxation	
General Municipal	5.7 mills
Business Tax	3.75%
School Levies	
Education Support	8.828 mills
Frontier School Division #48	13.202 mills

Emergency Services

Fire

Firefighting capability is based on a pumper truck and equipment from the fire hall. Portable forestry equipment is also available for grass and brush fires. Phone: 204-587-2502.

Police

Police response is from the Swan River RCMP detachment. Phone: 204-734-3454. The

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community safety officer responds locally.
Phone: 204-587-2479.

Medical

Medical response is from the provincial health unit operated by a health representative. The nearest hospital is in Swan River. Phone: 204-734-2215.

Communication Services

Phone

BellMTS provides individual line service and digital switching with toll free calling to: Barrows, Benito, Birch River, Bowsman, Cowan, Mafeking, Minionas, Swan River, Easterville, Grand Rapids. Office toll free: 204-225-5687.

Cellular Service/High-Speed Internet/Wi-Fi
Unavailable.

Community-Based Services

Hydro

Manitoba Hydro provides landline electric power. Office: 204-734-4505 in Swan River.

Water

Water is pumped from Lake Winnipegosis to a dugout reservoir where it is chlorinated and fed to a centrally located pumphouse. Piped distribution exists in most of the community.

Wastewater

A low-pressure wastewater collection system transfers wastewater to a lagoon for treatment.

Waste Disposal

A solid waste site is located near the community and shared with the Shoal River reserve.

Schools

The Pelican Rapids School operated by Frontier School Division is presently closed. The reserve operates the Neil Dennis Kematch Memorial School which serves 362 students from Nursery to Grade 12 from both the reserve and community. Phone: 204-587-2045.

Recreation Facilities

- ball park, soccer field
- beach area

Recreation Activities

- baseball, volleyball, basketball, soccer
- biking, walking, swimming
- hunting, fishing, trapping
- playing cards
- harvesting, berry picking
- maple sugar making
- fiddling
- culture camps
- Pelican Rapids fastball club
- Pelican Rapids playground project committee

Commercial Services

Transportation

- Gardewine North provides all-weather road freight service from the Swan River terminal. Office toll free: 1-800-665-7340.
- Clarkson's taxi provides service to Mafeking.
- Bus service is available to and from The Pas and Winnipeg.

Business Directory

Business	Phone
Clarkson's Taxi	204-587-2005
Northern Store	204-587-2281
Post Office (at community administration office)	204-587-2412

Government Services

Provincial Government Departments

Manitoba Conservation and Climate
Drinking water officer Phone: 204-648-5200 in Dauphin. Environment officer Phone: 204-627-8248 in The Pas. The 24 hour emergency response line toll free: 1-855-944-4888.

Regional Operations, Western Region, District Office and conservation officer Phone: 204-734-3429 in Swan River. Fire control officer Phone: 204-627-8332 in The Pas.

Manitoba Economic Development and Training
Communities Economic Development Fund

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(CEDF) Phone: 204-778-4138 in Thompson
(Head Office) or toll free: 1-800-561-4315.

Manitoba Finance

Employment Standards Branch Phone:
204-726-6926 in Brandon or toll free:
1-800-821-4307.

Workplace Safety and Health Branch toll free:
1-855-957-SAFE (7233).

Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living

Public health inspector Phone: 204-627-8307 in
The Pas.

Manitoba Indigenous and Northern Relations

Northern Affairs Branch, Northern Region
Phone: 204-677-6786 in Thompson. The 24
hour emergency number toll free:
1-866-735-3111.

Manitoba Infrastructure

Emergency Measures Organization, General
Office and emergency management advisor toll
free: 1-888-267-8298.

Manitoba Justice

Circuit court sits at Swan River coordinated by
the Swan River Regional Court Office Phone:
204-734-2252.

Manitoba Municipal Relations

Community and Regional Planning Branch,
Regional Office Phone: 204-622-2115 in
Dauphin.

Parkland Region, Recreation and Regional
Services Branch Phone: 204-622-2022 in
Dauphin.

Office of the Fire Commissioner, emergency
services officer Phone: 204-726-6855 in
Brandon. The 24 hour emergency response
number toll free: 1-888-253-1488.

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