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# Pelican Rapids

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## **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 Wednesday and Friday  
11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### **Staff**

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

## **Statistics**

Census Year	Population
1985	219
1991	150
1996	176
2001	123
2006	111
2011	80
2016	72
2021	69

*\*information is from Statistics Canada*

### **Households**

There are 15 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 2023 assessment roll and Tax Rates Regulation (2023) of Manitoba Municipal and Northern Relations.

<b>Value of Assessment</b>	
Business	\$4,300
Real Property	\$507,570
Total	\$511,870
Grants-in-lieu	\$190,780
Exempt	\$193,030
<b>Rate of Taxation</b>	
General Municipal	5.7 mills
Business Tax	3.75%
<b>School Levies</b>	
Education Support	8.140 mills
Frontier School Division #48	12.422 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. The volunteer fire department responds locally.

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### **Police**

Police response is from the Swan River RCMP detachment. Phone: 204-734-3454. The 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, Minitonas, Swan River, Easterville, Grand Rapids. Office toll free: 204-225-5687.

#### **Cellular Service**

Unavailable.

#### **High-Speed Internet/Wi-Fi**

StarLink and Xplornet is available.

### **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 filtered and chlorinated and distributed to residents by watermains.

#### **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 temporarily closed. The reserve operates the Neil Dennis Kematch

Memorial School which serves 354 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.
- The local taxi service provides service to Mafeking.
- Bus service is available to and from The Pas and Winnipeg.

#### **Business Directory**

<b>Business</b>	<b>Phone</b>
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 Economic Development, Investment, Trade and Natural Resources  
Regional Operations, Western Region, District Office and conservation officer Phone: 204-734-3429 in Swan River. Fire operations manager Phone: 204-627-8267 in The Pas.

Manitoba Environment and Climate Change  
Regional drinking water officer Phone:

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204-648-5200 and environment officer Phone: 204-648-4794 in Dauphin. The 24 hour environmental emergency response line toll free: 1-855-944-4888.

Manitoba Health, Seniors and Long-Term Care  
Public health inspector Phone: 204-627-8307 in The Pas.

Manitoba Indigenous Economic Development  
Communities Economic Development Fund (CEDF) Phone: 204-778-4138 in Thompson (Head Office) or toll free: 1-800-561-4315.

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

Manitoba Labour and Immigration  
Employment Standards Branch Phone: 204-945-3352 in Winnipeg or toll free: 1-800-821-4307.

Inspection and Technical Services, building inspector Phone: 204-945-3373 in Winnipeg or Email: [TechnicalServices@gov.mb.ca](mailto:TechnicalServices@gov.mb.ca).

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

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

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

Community Development Branch, Westman/  
Parkland Region regional consultant Phone: 204-726-6068 in Brandon.

Office of the Fire Commissioner, emergency services officer Phone: 204-726-6855 in Brandon or Email: [firecomm@gov.mb.ca](mailto:firecomm@gov.mb.ca). The 24 hour emergency response number toll free: 1-888-253-1488.

Manitoba Transportation and Infrastructure  
Emergency Measures Organization, General Office and emergency management advisor Phone: 204-945-3050 in Winnipeg or toll free: 1-888-267-8298.

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