
Pine Dock

Community Status

Pine Dock is located on the west shore of Lake Winnipeg in the Narrows region of the lake. About 16 kilometres south of Matheson Island, and historically known as Bullhead on navigation maps, the community is served by PR #234, which provides road linkage to Riverton, and then via PTH #8 to Winnipeg. Other nearby communities include Matheson Island, and on the east shore of the lake, Princess Harbour, Long Body Creek and Loon Straits.

Pine Dock was recognized by the department in 1972, and is currently represented by a mayor and council under *The Northern Affairs Act*.

Community Contacts

By mail

Pine Dock Community Clerk
Little Bullhead Post Office
Pine Dock, Manitoba R0C 1V0

By phone

Call (204) 276-2274
Fax (204) 276-2295

Office hours and staff

Office hours are:
Mon. to Thurs. 9:00am to noon

The community also employs a public works employee and volunteer fire chief.

Community Statistics

Population

1985	98
1991	113
1996	104
2001	108

Information from Statistics Canada after 1985.

Households

There are about 50 housing units in the community.

By-laws

- Employee Benefits (by minister's regulation)
- Financial Reserves
- Fire Department
- Sewage Disposal Control

Boundary

Manitoba Regulation 161/95, as amended, refers to Director of Surveys Plan 19273B. See map.

Property Assessment and Taxes

Values of Assessment

Business	nil
Real Property	\$2,120,200
Grants-in-lieu	142,700
Exempt	227,300
Total	2,490,200

Rate of Taxation (mills)

General Municipal	7.00
School levies	
Farm & Residential	5.75
Commercial & Other	17.00
Frontier School Division (#48)	22.75
Business Tax	4%

Emergency Services

Fire

Fire fighting capability is based on a small "fast-attack" vehicle with limited water supply, hoses and equipment. Addition portable forestry-style equipment is available for grass and brush fires.

Police

Police response is from the Arborg detachment, RCMP, phone (204) 376-5251.

Medical

Medical response is based on ambulance service from Riverton, about one hour away. The nearest hospitals are at Arborg and Gimli.

Community-based Services

Hydro

Provided by Manitoba Hydro as land-line electric power. Residential rates are:

Basic charge	\$ 6.25 /month
First 175 kWh	5.78 cents/KWH
Balance	5.16 cents/KWH

Hydro Office is at Arborg, phone 376-2277.

Telephone

Manitoba Telecom Services provides individual line service and digital switching with toll-free calling to Arborg, Riverton, Virdir, Hecla and Poplarfield. Call MTS toll-free at (204) 225-5687.

Water

Water supply is based on a membrane water treatment plant supplied with well water. The water is treated, chlorinated and stored in a reservoir. Approximately 95% of the community is connected to the new system. Others may be connected to a specific well or lake intake.

Waste Disposal

A solid-waste disposal site is near the community, along with a limited access pit for controlled liquid-wastes.

All sewage generated within the community is treated by the sewage batch reactor treatment plant (SBR). Approximately 95% of the residences are connected to the low-pressure collection system. The balance is collected by pumpout truck and hauled to the SBR for treatment.

Schools

Frontier School Division operates the Pine Dock School with two teachers and three support staff, phone (204) 276-2177.

Recreation Facilities

- Ball field
- Community Hall, 2900 sq. ft.
- Outdoor rink with change-house

Recreation Activities and Groups

- Pine Dock School committee
- Pine Dock Recreation committee
- February community event is a snowmobile poker derby sponsored by the School committee.
- August community event is a boat derby sponsored by students working on various summer projects.

Government Services

Communities Economic Development Fund, Head Office located in Thompson, phone (204) 778-4138.

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Interlake Region, District Office located at Riverton, phone (204) 378-2945

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Interlake Region, Natural Resources office located in Gimli, phone (204) 642-6071.

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Interlake Region, Public Health, located in Selkirk, (204) 785-5033.

Manitoba Culture, Heritage and Tourism, Regional Services, Interlake Regional Office located at Gimli, phone (204) 642-6010.

Manitoba Intergovernmental Affairs, Community Development Services, Regional Office located in Selkirk, phone (204) 785-5005.

Manitoba Intergovernmental Affairs, Community Planning Services, Regional Office located in Selkirk, phone (204) 785-5130.

Manitoba Justice, Circuit Court sits at Arborg or Bloodvein Reserve and is coordinated from the Selkirk Regional Court Office, phone (204) 785-5120.

Manitoba Labour, Employment Standards, Employment Standards officer located in Winnipeg, phone (204) 945-3352.

Manitoba Labour, Office of the Fire Commissioner, Assistant Fire Commissioner located in Winnipeg, phone 1-800-282-8069.

Commercial Services

Accommodation

- Biscuit Harbour Resort provides accommodation and meals.

Transportation

- Both Riverton Transfer and Fisher Branch-Hodgson Transfer provide freight services to the community.
- A local taxi provides transportation from Matheson Island through to Riverton.
- Northway Aviation operate a private airstrip and sea plane base in the community. They provide charter service and scheduled daily service into Pine Dock from Winnipeg, Bloodvein, Berens River and Little Grand Rapids.

Businesses

- Biscuit Harbour Resort – phone (204) 276-2084
- Matheson Island Coop - Pine Dock Fish Packing Station – phone (204) 276-2136
- Northway Aviation – phone (204) 276-2045
- Pine Dock Taxi and Service – phone (204) 276-2057

Economic Overview

The major economic activity in Pine Dock is based on commercial fishing, with some small income derived from trapping, pulpwood harvest and local services.

Fishers deliver their fish to the community fish station, unless fishing in an area of Lake Winnipeg closer to another fish station.

Pulpwood harvested from the area is shipped to Pine Falls Paper Co. Ltd at Pine Falls.

A community development corporation was formed some years ago to assist with economic growth and development.

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