
Homebrook – Peonan Point

Community Status

Homebrook, including the area known as Peonan Point, is located 24 kilometres west of Gypsumville on PR #328, 11 kilometres west of PTH #6. PR #328 continues west to Waterhen.

The agricultural community is situated on both sides of the PR and has a main north-south road that connects Peonan Point, near the southern tip of a large peninsula forming part of Portage Bay on Lake Manitoba.

Homebrook - Peonan Point are represented by a mayor and council under *The Northern Affairs Act*.

Community Contacts

By mail

Homebrook Community Council
Box 100
Gypsumville, Mb, R0C 1J0

By Phone / Fax

Call (204) 659-5487
Email: homebrok@mts.net

Office hours and staff

Office Hours are: Tuesday 10:00am to 2:00pm

In addition to the part-time Community Administrative Officer, the community has a volunteer fire chief.

Community Statistics

Population

1985	49
1991	46
1996	39
2001	45
2006	56

Information from Statistics Canada after 1985.

Households

There are 25 housing units in the community.

By-laws

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

Boundary

A boundary has not been established at this time.

Property Assessment and Taxes

Values of Assessment

Business	nil
Real Property	\$1,822, 370
Grants-in-lieu	898,920
Exempt	953,760
Total	2,675,050

Rate of Taxation (mills)

General Municipal	5.20
School levies	
Foundation	12.33
Frontier School Division (#48)	17.60
Business Tax	3.75%

Information from 2010 assessment roll and tax bylaw of Aboriginal and Northern Affairs.

Emergency Services

Fire

Fire fighting capability is based on two water trailers with forestry-style portable pump and hoses at specified locations in the community. The trailers can be pulled by a tractor or half-ton truck. There is also a rapid attack minnie pumper and a volunteer fire department with a fee for service agreement with the R M of Grahamdale. Activation can occur with 911.

Police

Police response is from the Gypsumville detachment, RCMP, phone (204) 659-2682 and 911.

Medical

Medical services are provided in Ashern. The nearest hospital is at Ashern. An ambulance service is available from Gypsumville and is activated through 911.

Community-based Services

Hydro

Provided by Manitoba Hydro as land-line electric power installed in 1990. Residential rates are:

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

Hydro Office is located at Gypsumville, phone (204) 659-4520.

Telephone

MTS Allstream Inc., provides individual-line service and digital switching with toll-free calling to Ashern and Steep Rock. Call MTS toll-free at (204) 225-5687.

Water

Residents depend upon private drilled wells.

Waste Disposal

A solid-waste disposal site is available within the community area.

Schools

Children from the community attend school (grades 1-6) at Gypsumville, and (grades 7-12) at Ashern. Peonan Point has its own school.

Recreation Facilities

- Playground area beside the fire hall.

Government Services

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

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Interlake Region, District Office is located in Gypsumville, phone (204) 659-5208.

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Interlake Region, Fire Control Officer located in Gimli, phone (204) 642-6071.

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Interlake Region, Public Health officer is located in Selkirk, phone (204) 785-5205.

Manitoba Culture, Heritage and Tourism, Regional Services Branch, Interlake Region Office is located at Gimli, phone (204) 642-6006.

Manitoba Agriculture Food & Rural Initiatives; North Interlake Go Team – Arborg Go Centre, business and community development support (204) 376-3300.

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

Manitoba Justice Regional Court sits at Selkirk, phone (204) 785-5120.

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

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

Commercial Services

Accommodation

Nearest accommodation is at St. Martin, about 20 minutes away on PTH 6.

Transportation

- St. Martin Transfer provides transportation services from the terminal in St. Martin.
- Grey Goose provides daily passenger and parcel services to St. Martin from Thompson, The Pas and Winnipeg.

Businesses

Businesses are all based in St. Martin or Gypsumville.

Economic Overview

The primary economic activity is mixed farming and ranching supplemented by trapping and fishing. The community is located in an open trapping zone.