Crane River

Community Status

Crane River is located on the west shore at the north end of Lake Manitoba and borders the Crane River Indian Reserve. All-weather access is provided by PR #276 from Ste. Rose du Lac to Toutes Aides, and then PR #481 to Crane River.

Dauphin is about 120 kilometres to the west while Winnipeg is about 320 kilometres to the Southeast. All information relates to the non-treaty community unless noted.

Crane River has been governed by a mayor and council under *The Northern Affairs Act* since May 1969.

Community Contacts

By mail

Crane River Community Council Box 83 Crane River, Manitoba, R0L 0M0

By Phone

Call (204) 732-2268 Fax (204) 732-2709

Email: cranerivercc@hotmail.com Web Site: www.cranerivercc.ca

Office hours and staff

Office hours are: Mon - Thurs 9:00am - 3:00pm, Fri 9:00am - 12:00pm

The community also employs a public works employee, community constable, volunteer fire chief and recreation director.

Community Statistics

Population

1985	328
1991	232
1996	178
2001	161
2006	161

Information is from Statistics Canada after 1985.

Households

There are 67 housing units and a senior's complex in the community.

By-laws

- Curfew
- Dog Control
- Employee Benefits
- Financial Reserves
- Fire Department

Boundary

Regulation 161/95, as amended, refers to Director of Surveys Plan 19315. See map.

Property Assessment and Taxes

Values of Assessment	
Business	Nil
Real Property	\$436,750
Grants-in-lieu	606,570
Exempt	743,090
Total	1,786,410

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 a pumper truck and equipment from the community fire hall, phone (204) 732-2335. Portable forestry equipment is also available for grass and brush fires. The fire department is a member of the Winnipegosis Mutual Aid District.

Police

The community constable responds locally with back up from the Ste. Rose du Lac detachment, RCMP, phone (204) 447-2513.

Medical

Medical services consist of a community health station, staffed by a community health worker. A visiting nurse travels from Dauphin. The nearest doctor and hospital are located at Ste. Rose du Lac.

Community-based Services

Hydro

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

Basic charge \$ 6.85 /month
First 900 kWh 6.25 cents/KWH
Balance 6.30 cents/KWH
Hydro phone 1-888-MBHYDRO (1-888-624-9376).

Telephone

Crane River is served by the MTS Allstream Inc. Rorketon Exchange, providing individual-line service and digital switching with toll-free calling to Camperville, Dauphin, Eddystone, Ethelbert, Fork River, Gilbert Plains, Grandview, Ochre River, Pine River, Rorketon, Sifton, Ste. Rose du Lac, Waterhen and Winnipegosis. Call MTS toll-free at (204) 225-5687.

High-speed Internet

Internet access provided by I-NetLink Wireless Inc. Brandon, toll free: 1-877-333-1198

Water

Water is pumped twice yearly from Lake Manitoba into a reservoir when there is minimum turbidity. It is then coagulated, filtered and chlorinated before being distributed. Manual pick-up of treated water from the plant is available for non-connected customers.

Waste Disposal

A solid-waste disposal site exists 8 kilometres from the community. It is manned and open 12 hours per week. The Public Works employee picks up solid waste once per week.

Sewage is piped by a low-pressure system to a lagoon located within the community.

Schools

A principal, three teachers and five support staff operate the Lakefront School under the Frontier School Division, phone (204) 732-2750.

Recreation Facilities

- Ball diamond
- Community Hall, 4,080 sq. ft.
- Gymnasium, part of the school
- Horse Race Track
- Indoor rink
- Play ground facilities

Recreation building, 720 sq. ft.

Community Groups and Recreational Events

Groups

- Crane River Church Group
- MMF Local
- Crane River Recreation Corum

Recreation Programs

- Adult co-ed floor hockey nights
- Volleyball nights
- Youth gym nights
- Open public skating
- Slo-pitch games
- Seniors Gym night
- Seniors fun day, monthly
- Fun in the Sun
- Fitness Circuit Training

Special events and festivals

- Canada Day Festival
- Community Christmas Parade
- Community Seniors Christmas Supper
- Lakefront Christmas concert

Government Services

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

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Western Region, District Office located at Dauphin, phone (204) 622-2106.

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Western Region, Natural Resources Officer is located at Brandon, phone (204) 726-6304.

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Western Region, Public Health Office is located at Brandon, phone (204) 726-6064.

Manitoba Culture, Heritage and Tourism, Regional Services Branch, Parkland Regional Office located at Dauphin, phone (204) 622-2022.

Manitoba Agriculture Food & Rural Initiatives; North Parkland Go Team – Dauphin Go Centre, business and community development support (204) 622-2007.

Manitoba Intergovernmental Affairs, Community Planning Services, Regional office located at Dauphin, phone (204) 622-2159 Manitoba Justice Regional Court sits at Dauphin, phone (204) 622-2087.

Manitoba Labour, Employment Standards Branch, Employment Standards Officer is located in Brandon, phone (204) 726-6370.

Manitoba Labour, Office of the Fire Commissioner, Assistant Fire Commissioner is located at Dauphin, phone 1-888-253-1488.

Commercial Services

Accommodation

There is no local overnight accommodation. Meals can be obtained from the Crane River Band Restaurant, phone (204) 732-2047.

Transportation

- Gardewine North Transportation provides freight service from its terminal at Dauphin.
- Morrisseau Taxi phone (204) 732-2636

Businesses

Crane River Band Store, phone (204) 732-2832

Economic Overview

Economic opportunities in the Crane River area focus on commercial fishing, trapping, ranching and local services.

Most commercial fishing is winter fishing. Some trapping is done in open areas adjacent to the community.

The terrain primarily supports mixed farming and ranching. There is little or no forestry operation at present.

Parkland Regional Development Corporation provides support for community and regional community economic development; contact (204) 622-2145. www.parklandrdc.ca

