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Savary Island Community Recreation has been included in the financial plan under Electoral Area Feasibility Studies since 2018, when community members were no longer able to use the Savary Island Main Fire hall for recreation purposes due to fire department safety concerns, legislation and evaluations.

At the July 15, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting, two property owners from Savary Island appeared as a delegation to ask the Board to consider purchasing a property on Savary Island for the purpose of community recreation. Staff subsequently recommended engaging with the Savary Island community to gauge the level of support for this type of service.

An initial survey intended to gather general feedback was conducted and the results can be <u>found here</u>. It was found that further information was desired by the community. Additional Information and a short secondary survey was conducted.

157 responses to the secondary survey were received.

Below you will find the results of this survey and a summary of key comments received.



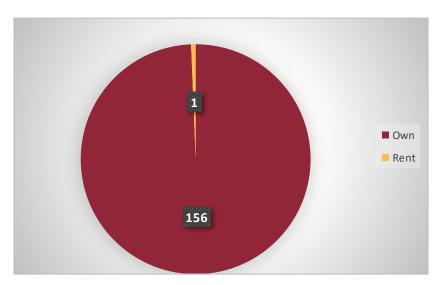
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Survey Results

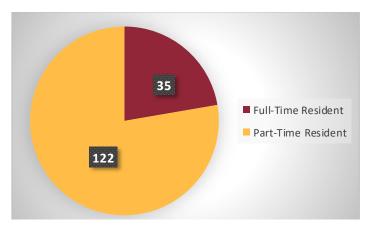
Do you own or rent your home on Savary Island?

Owner 156 Renter 1



Are you a full-time (live on island year-round) or part-time resident of Savary Island?

Full-Time Resident 35 Part-Time Resident 122



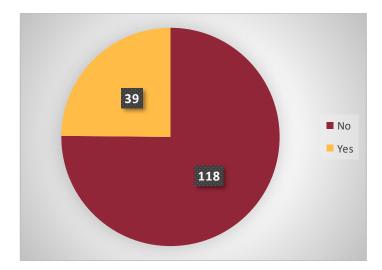


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Is your property on Savary Island your primary residence?

No 118 Yes 39



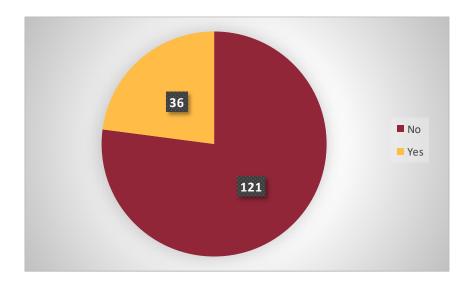


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The Savary Island community would be looking at an approximate residential tax rate of about \$20 per year per \$100,000 of assessed value for the purchase of the building and property commonly known as Pascal's La Hacienda located at 2778 Brian's Way at Vancouver Boulevard and operation of the recreation service. These figures are subject to change, but are a best guess estimate given current known data. Using this information, would you support a publicly funded Community Recreation Service for Savary Island?

No 121 Yes 36



Part-Time Resident	No	95
Full-Time Resident	No	26
Part-Time Resident	Yes	27
Full-Time Resident	Yes	9
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Additional Comments?

- 72 additional comments were received and the following is a breakdown and summarization of the nature of these comments.
- 20 comments advised they **do not** support the service or additional tax.
- 7 comments advised they **do** support the service or additional tax.
- 4 comments advised they do support the service or additional tax but not using this particular property.
- 1 comment advised they would require more information.
- 6 comments advised they felt the service would not get enough use / benefit too few.
- 6 comments advised they had concerns regarding additional start up / ongoing operational costs.
- 14 comments indicated they felt tax funds would be better spent on other services:
 - Public Washrooms
 - Waste Management (Including derelict vehicles)
 - Roads
 - Policing/Public Safety
 - Boat Launch
 - Stewardship Activities and Education
 - Public Transit
 - Land Protection

16 miscellaneous comments