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Section 10.01. ISSUANCE OF PERMIT.

(1) Permit Required.

[a] No person, firm or corporation shall construct or permit to be constructed, maintained or repaired within the boundaries of any street or highway in the Village of River Hills, any culvert, drain pipe or other similar means of providing drainage, without obtaining a permit therefor from the Village Clerk.

[b] No person, firm or corporation shall fill up any ditch or drain within the boundaries of any street or highway in the said Village, or otherwise enclose it or interfere with the drains therein, without obtaining a permit therefor from the Village Clerk.

(2) Application for Permit. Proper application shall be filed with the Village Clerk for permission to do the work contemplated and for approval by the Village Engineer of plans and specifications or other acceptable statement describing the work to be done. Said plans, specifications or statement shall be attached to the application and become a part thereof. Upon being notified by the Village Clerk of the filing of said application, the Village Engineer shall proceed to make an investigation of the premises described in the application and an examination of the plans, specifications or statement attached to said application. Upon approval of said application, plans, specifications or statement by the Village Engineer, he shall set the necessary stakes showing the position and elevation for the laying of said culvert drainage pipe. The permit shall then be issued by the Village Clerk.

(3) Permit Fee. There shall accompany said application for a culvert permit a permit fee together with a deposit as set forth in the schedule of fees as adopted and subject to amendment from time to time by Resolution of the Village Board to cover the actual expenses incurred by the Village. Any excess of said deposit over such expenses shall be refunded and all expenses incurred by the Village in excess of such deposit shall be paid by the permittee. The Resolution and the applicable schedule of fees shall be kept on file in the Office of the Village Clerk and will be posted on the village website. (Amd Ord #537, 10/16/19)

(4) Direction of Village Engineer. All work done pursuant to this section shall be under the direction and supervision of the Village Engineer, and in accordance with the plans, specifications or statement approved by the Village Engineer.
(5) **Conforming Construction.** Upon complaint by the Village Engineer and determination by the Village Board that culverts, drain pipes or other methods of providing drainage installed by private owners within the boundaries of any street or highway are not in accordance with the provisions of this section, the proper Village officers shall, after ten days' notice in writing to the owner of said premises, requiring him to remove and replace the same in accordance with the provisions hereof, proceed to remove same and cause proper installation thereof. The cost of such investigation, removal and reinstallation shall be charged to the owner of the property as a special assessment and placed on the tax roll and levied as are all other taxes of the Village.

(6) **Building Inspector's Report.** Upon inspection of plans for proposed buildings, which may indicate driveway, culvert or drainage plans affecting the highway, the Building Inspector of the Village shall make a proper report thereof to the Village Engineer.

(7) **Enforcement.** Upon complaint by the Village Engineer, the proper officers of the Village shall proceed to enforce the provisions of this section.

**Section 10.02. REGULATIONS AFFECTING THE CONSTRUCTION OF CULVERTS, DRAIN PIPES, OR CONDUITS.**

(1) **Size and General Construction.** All culverts, drain pipes, or other similar conduits placed on, in or along the highways or streets of the Village, either under private driveways leading from the public highways to private property, or otherwise, shall be of sufficient size and constructed in such manner and of such materials as to provide means for the flow of water naturally accumulating or flowing along the ditches on such highways or streets, and shall in no event be less than twelve (12") inches in diameter. They shall be of sufficient length so as to prevent injury to persons or property in the use of the highways or the entrance to or exit from the highways over and across such culverts.

**Section 10.03. REGULATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A HIGHWAY OR DRIVEWAY TO SERVE MORE THAN ONE PARCEL.**

(1) **Permit Required.** No person, firm or corporation shall construct or permit to be constructed within the Village of River Hills, any highway or driveway arranged or planned to serve more than one parcel of land used for residential purposes, unless a license or permit shall first be obtained from the Village Clerk.

(2) **Approval.** No such license or permit shall be issued until the plans and specifications for such highway or driveway shall be approved by the Village Engineer as to specifications, and by the Village Board (after reference of such matter to the Village Plan Commission) as to location, width, and general plan.

(3) **Permit Fee.** All such applications for a permit to construct a highway or driveway to serve more than one parcel of land shall be accompanied by a filing fee as set forth in the schedule of
fees as adopted and subject to amendment from time to time by Resolution of the Village Board. The Resolution and the applicable schedule of fees shall be kept on file in the Office of the Village Clerk and will be posted on the village website. (Amd Ord #537, 10/16/19)

Section 10.04. PENALTY. Any person, firm or corporation found guilty of the violation of any provision of this Chapter shall be subject to a forfeiture of not less than Ten ($10.00) Dollars, nor more than Five-Hundred ($500.00) Dollars, and the costs of the action; and in default of payment thereof shall be subject to imprisonment in the County Jail or the House of Correction of Milwaukee County until such forfeiture and costs together with any subsequent costs, have been paid, but in any event not to exceed thirty (30) days. Each day of continuance of the violation, after notice in writing thereof has been served upon said person, firm, or corporation by the proper officer, agent or employee of the Village, shall constitute a separate offense.