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Section 14.01. TITLE. This chapter shall be known as the "Electrical Code" of the Village of River Hills, and will be referred to hereinafter as "this code."

Section 14.02. PURPOSE. The purpose of this Code is to provide certain minimum standards, provisions, and requirements for the safe and stable design methods of construction, and uses of materials in buildings and structures hereinafter erected, constructed, enlarged, altered, repaired, moved, or converted to other uses, insofar as same shall be affected by any installation, repair, or maintenance of electric wiring, fixtures, structures or materials of any kind used in connection with the use or maintenance of electricity therein.

Section 14.03. SUPERVISION OF ELECTRICAL INSPECTION. It is hereby established that the function of the Electrical Inspector shall be performed under the supervision of the Village Manager.

Section 14.04. ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR.

(1) Office. There is hereby created the office of "Electrical Inspector" of the Village of River Hills. Said office shall be held by a licensed electrician certified by the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Service in accordance with Wis. Stat. § 101.875(1).

(2) Term; Compensation. Said Electrical Inspector shall be appointed by the Village Manager, and shall be subject to removal from office by the Village Manager. Said Electrical Inspector shall be paid such compensation or salary as may be determined by the Village Board.

(3) Powers; Duties. The Electrical Inspector shall have the power and it shall be his duty to enforce the provisions of this Code and all laws and orders relating to electrical installations, equipment, fixtures, and buildings, insofar as they may relate to matters involving such electrical installations, as may be laid down from time to time by the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services. For this purpose, he shall have the right to enter into buildings and premises and make inspection thereof at all reasonable hours and no person shall interfere with nor refuse to permit access to any such buildings or premises by such Electrical inspector. It shall be his duty to require the production of a permit for any electrical work being done or the required license therefor and to make all inspections required by this chapter in the manner set forth herein and as may be further directed by the Village Manager. (Rep & Rec Ord #537, 10/16/19) (Rep & Rec Ord #540, 03/11/20)

Section 14.05. ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR'S RECORDS. There shall be kept in the Department of Electrical Inspection a complete record of all applications and permits, regularly numbered in the order of their issue, of all inspections made, and other official work performed under the provisions of the Electrical Code, so arranged as promptly to afford information concerning electrical installations.

Section 14.06. ELECTRICIAN'S LICENSE.

(1) License Required. No person, firm or corporation shall engage in the business of installing, altering, or repairing any electrical wiring, fixtures, or apparatus, or install, alter or repair same, within the Village of River Hills, without having a license in accordance with Wis. Stat. § 101.875(1). (Rep & Rec Ord #540, 03/11/20)

Section 14.07. OTHER PROVISIONS ADOPTED.

(1) Supplement to Code. The provisions of this Code shall supplement any laws of the State if Wisconsin, and orders, rules, and regulations of the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services relating to electrical installations, alterations, or repair. (Rep & Rec Ord #537, 10/16/19)

(2) Adoption of; Conformity with State and National Electrical Code. The Wisconsin Administrative Electrical Code, Volume 1 Chapter PSC II\$ and Volume 2, Wis. Admin. Code Chapter SPS 316, along with the National Electrical Code, and any future additions, amendments or modifications of the same, are hereby adopted as the regulations at all times for electrical installation, alteration or repair occurring in the Village. All work, including the placing of wires and other equipment, shall be done in conformity with said Code and latest supplements thereto, and in such manner as in the judgement of the Electrical Inspector will not be liable to endanger life or cause fire. In the event there is a conflict between the State and National Codes, the State Code shall control. (Am. 03/06/19, Ord 534) (Rep & Rec 03/11/20, Ord #540)

Section 14.08 PERMIT FOR ELECTRICAL WORK.

(1) Application for Permit. The application form for such permit shall be in a form approved by the Electrical Inspector and the Village Manager, and shall be available in the office of the Village Clerk. Applications for a permit for electrical work shall state clearly the work planned, alterations to be made, and equipment and materials to be used, and shall be signed by the applicant. The application shall also contain a statement that said applicant agrees that all work contemplated in said application will be done in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. Any later deviations from the work contemplated in said application shall be submitted to and approved by the Electrical Inspector. At the time of filing said application with the Electrical Inspector, the applicant shall pay the total amount of inspection charges as hereinafter required.

(2) Permit; Fee. No electric wiring or other equipment shall be installed or altered without first securing a permit therefor from the Electrical Inspector upon application for such permit as above set forth.

Section 14.09. GENERAL REGULATIONS.

(1) Fire Department Work. The Electrical Inspector, the Chief or Assistant Chief, or other person in charge of the Fire Department, shall have the power to cause the removal of wires and the turning off of electrical currents, where the circuits interfere with the work of the Fire Department during the progress of a fire.

(2) Certificate of Authorization. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to make any connection from any source or supply of electricity, or to supply electricity to any electrical equipment for which a permit is required, or which has been disconnected or ordered disconnected by the Building Inspector, until a Certification of Authorization has been issued by the Electrical Inspector authorizing the connection and use of such equipment.

(3) Unsafe or Dangerous Equipment. If, upon any inspection by the Electrical Inspector, any electrical equipment is found to be unsafe or dangerous to persons or property, the person owning or using same shall be notified in writing by the said Inspector to remove, or cause to be removed, or to make any changes or repairs as determined by said Electrical Inspector, in order to restore such electrical equipment to a safe condition. Failure to comply with such notice within the time specified in said notice shall be sufficient cause for the Electrical Inspector to disconnect or order the removal of, or order the discontinuance of electric equipment or to subject such owner or user of said electrical equipment to the penalties provided in this chapter.

Section 14.10. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS. The technical regulations shall be complied with as outlined in Wis. Admin. Code Chapter SPS 316. (Rep & Rec 03/11/20, Ord #540) (Rep & Rec 07/15/20, Ord #543)

Section 14.11. INSPECTION FEES.

(1) General Charges. The applicable fees for inspecting all electrical equipment or installations shall be those fees set forth in the Village of River Hills Fee Schedule for Electrical Permits 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. (Am. 03/06/19, Ord # 534)

(2) Additional. An additional 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 shall be charged to and

paid by the licensed electrician in the event the said licensee shall fail to obtain a final inspection of any work for which a permit has been issued. 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. (Am. 03/06/19, Ord # 534)

(3) Administrative Fees. A non-refundable administrative 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 shall be paid in addition to the permit fees for each electrical permit. 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. (Am. 03/06/19, Ord # 534)

Section 14.12. NO ASSUMPTION OF LIABILITY BY VILLAGE OF RIVER HILLS. This Chapter shall not be construed as assuming any liability on the part of the Village of River Hills for any damages to any person injured or any property damaged or destroyed, by reason of any defect in any building, structure or equipment, electrical wiring, installation, or equipment, or for any failure to take any action or give any order under or pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter.

Section 14.13. 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 cost 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 violation shall constitute a separate offense. If, in any such action, a permit was issued, it shall not constitute a defense, nor shall any error, over-sight, or dereliction of duty on the part of the Electrical Inspector, constitute a defense.