

# PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

**BUILDING BYLAW NO. 2131, 2014** 

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# PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT Bylaw No. 2131, 2014

The Building Bylaw of the Peace River Regional District

WHEREAS Section 694 of the *Local Government Act* authorizes the Peace River Regional District to regulate construction, alteration, repair and demolition of buildings and other structures, for the health, safety and protection of persons and property;

AND WHEREAS the Province of British Columbia has adopted a building code to govern standards in respect of the construction, alteration, repair and demolition of buildings in municipalities and regional districts in the Province;

AND WHEREAS the Regional Board of the Peace River Regional District wishes to provide for the administration of the building code and to provide a building permit and inspection service;

NOW THEREFORE the Board of the Peace River Regional District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

# PART 1 DEFINITIONS

#### 1.1 Definitions

# 1.1.1 In this Bylaw:

# "agent"

includes a person representing the owner by written consent;

#### "Building Code"

means the British Columbia Building Code established by regulation under the Local Government Act, as amended from time to time;

#### "Building Inspector"

means the person appointed by the *Regional Board* to administer this Bylaw and includes, for the purposes of Section 6.4 of this Bylaw, the Administrator, Deputy Administrator or the Manager of Development Services for the Regional District;

# "construction"

includes build, erect, install, repair, alter, add, enlarge, locate, relocate, move, reconstruct, demolish, remove, excavate and shore, and includes installing or replacing plumbing systems, chimneys, fireplaces and solid-fuel burning appliances including the fittings and accessories thereto;

#### "estimated construction value"

means the estimated market value of *construction*, which is subject to a *permit*, based upon available *construction* cost data for materials and labour and where such values are tabulated in Schedule 'D' forming a part of this Bylaw;

## "farm building"

means a building or part thereof which does not contain a residential occupancy and which is associated with and located on land devoted to the practice of farming and used essentially for the housing of equipment or livestock, or the production, storage or processing of agricultural and horticultural produce or feeds.

#### "manufactured home"

means any *structure* containing one single-family dwelling whether ordinarily equipped with wheels or not that is designed, constructed, or manufactured to be moved from one place to another by being towed or carried but does not include travel trailers, campers, or other vehicles which are exempt from the provisions of the Manufactured Home Act:

# "permit"

means permission or authorization in writing by the *Building Inspector* under this Bylaw to perform work regulated by this Bylaw and is inclusive of references to a building permit, plumbing permit, demolition permit, moving permit or temporary building permit;

# "professional design"

means the plans and supporting documents bearing the seal and/or stamp of the *professional designer*,

## "professional designer"

means a person who is registered in the Province of British Columbia as a member in good standing of the Architectural Institute of BC or the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of BC;

# "professional field review"

means the inspection of *construction* for which a *permit* under this Bylaw has been issued, by or under the supervision of a *professional designer*, in order to ensure that the *construction* complies with the *permit* and the *Building Code*, and includes certification of compliance by the *professional designer*,

#### "Regional Board"

means the Regional Board of the Peace River Regional District;

#### "Regional District"

means the Peace River Regional District and includes those lands and surfaces of water, which comprise the Peace River Regional District;

#### "stop work notice"

means a notice in writing, issued in accordance with Section 6.4 this Bylaw;

# "structure"

unless prescribed by regulation as exempt from the *Building Code*, means a *construction* or portion thereof of any kind, whether fixed to, supported by, or sunk into land or water, but specifically excludes landscaping, paving, a retaining wall, signs and a fence;

## "working day"

means any of the following, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday that is not a statutory holiday in BC.

# PART 2

#### INTERPRETATION AND SCOPE

# 2.1 Application

- 2.1.1 This Bylaw applies to all parts of the Regional District not within a municipality.
- 2.1.2 This Bylaw is enacted to set standards in the general public interest.
- 2.1.3 The authorities undertaken by or on behalf of the *Regional Board* pursuant to this Bylaw are for the sole purpose of providing a limited and interim spot checking function for reasons of public health and safety.

# 2.2 Warranty or Representation

- 2.2.1 Neither the issuance of a *permit* under this Bylaw, the review and approval of the plans and supporting documents, nor inspections made by the *Building Inspector*, shall in any way constitute a warranty or representation that the *Building Code* or this Bylaw has been complied with and no person shall rely on any of the above-listed matters as establishing compliance with the *Building Code* or this Bylaw.
- 2.2.2 It is not contemplated nor intended, nor does the purpose of this Bylaw extend to:
  - (a) the protection of owners, owner/builders or builders from economic loss;
  - (b) the assumption by the Regional Board of any responsibility for ensuring the compliance by the owner, his representative or any employees, contractors or design professionals retained by him, with the current edition of the British Columbia Building Code, the requirements of this Bylaw or any other applicable codes or standards;
  - (c) the providing to any person of a warranty of design or workmanship with respect to any building or *structure* for which a building *permit* is issued under this Bylaw; or
  - (d) the providing of a warranty or assurance that *construction* undertaken pursuant to building *permits* issued by the Regional District is free from latent or any defects.

#### 2.3 Owner's Responsibility

- 2.3.1 It shall be the responsibility of the owner to:
  - (a) carry out the work authorized by a *permit*, or have the work carried out, in accordance with the requirements of the *permit*, the *Building Code*, this Bylaw and the other bylaws of the Regional District and neither the issuance of a *permit* under this Bylaw, the review and approval of plans and supporting documents, nor inspections made by the *Building Inspector*, shall relieve the owner from this responsibility;
  - (b) ensure that a building *permit* is obtained prior to commencing *construction*, pursuant to the requirements of this Bylaw;

- (c) ensure that requests for inspection are made to the *Building Inspector* for the required inspections as set out in this Bylaw; and
- (d) ensure that prior to making an application for a building *permit* the owner shall determine the *Building Inspector*'s requirements for such an application and ascertain the applicable zoning regulations of the Regional District.

## 2.4 Conformity with Building Code and Bylaw

- 2.4.1 No building or *structure* shall be constructed except in conformity with the requirements of the *Building Code* and this Bylaw.
- 2.4.2 Section 2.4.1 applies whether or not in any case it is expressly stated that the doing of or failure to do the thing mentioned shall be unlawful.

#### 2.5 General Prohibitions

#### 2.5.1 No person shall:

- (a) commence or continue any work or *construction* of any building or *structure* without a *permit*, where the work or *construction* occurs within the area outlined in Schedule 'A' which forms a part of this Bylaw;
- (b) place a manufactured home upon a foundation without a permit where the work or construction occurs within the area outlined in Schedule 'A' which forms a part of this Bylaw;
- (c) unless authorized by the *Building Inspector* in writing, reverse, alter, deface, cover, remove or in any way tamper with a *construction* site identification card, stop work order card, notice or certificate posted on or affixed to a building or *structure* pursuant to a provision of this Bylaw;
- (d) do any work at variance with the description, plans or specifications for the building, *structure* or work for which a *permit* has been issued, unless the *Building Inspector* has authorized the changes in writing;
- (e) interfere with or obstruct the entry of the *Building Inspector* in the administration of this Bylaw;
- (f) erase, alter or modify structural drawings or specifications after they have been reviewed by the *Building Inspector*, or structural drawings or specifications which have been filed for reference with the *Building Inspector* after the *permit* has been issued;
- (g) submit false or misleading information in relation to a *permit* or an application for a *permit* under this Bylaw;
- (h) occupy or use any building contrary to the terms of any *permit* issued or any notice given by a *Building Inspector*, or
- (i) violate any provision of this Bylaw by the doing of anything prohibited herein or by failing or omitting to do anything required by this Bylaw to be done.

# 2.6 Exceptions and Requirements

- 2.6.1 No *permit* is required for the following:
  - (a) a temporary on-site construction trailer for a project being constructed under valid *permits*;
  - (b) farm buildings pursuant to the <u>National Farm Building Code of Canada</u>, 1995;
  - (c) construction, alterations or repairs with an estimated construction value not exceeding \$2,500;
  - (d) the *construction* or placement of a building having a floor area of less than 11 square metres;
  - (e) a garden shed, tool shed or greenhouse having a floor area not exceeding 20 square metres; or
  - (f) the repairing or replacement of plumbing fixtures unless the repair includes an extension, relocation, or addition of fixtures, such as installing a new bathroom or relocating a kitchen.
- 2.6.2 Notwithstanding Section 2.6.1(c) no work or construction shall commence or continue which involves a building intended as a dwelling unit except in accordance with a valid permit which has been issued by the Building Inspector pursuant to this Bylaw.
- 2.6.3 Persons undertaking *construction* regulated by this Bylaw that is outside the area outlined in Schedule 'A' may apply for and obtain a *permit* for such *construction* pursuant to this Bylaw, but are not required to do so.
  - For certainty, where a person makes a voluntary application for a *permit* under this Section and does not otherwise require a *permit* under this Bylaw, upon such application being made under this Section, this Bylaw, including all inspection and permit requirements, shall apply to the building to which the application pertains as if the building were situated within the area outlined in Schedule 'A'.
  - a) Obtaining a permit under this section applies only to that which is applied for, and does not require that the parcel is thereafter included as if within the area outlined in Schedule 'A'.

#### PART 3

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

#### 3.1 Administration of Bylaw

- 3.1.1 The Building Inspector shall:
  - (a) keep records of applications received, *permits* and orders issued, inspections and tests made, and retain copies of all papers and documents connected with the administration of this Bylaw; and

(b) upon the application of the owner for a *permit*, establish whether any method or type of *construction* or material proposed to be used in the *construction* of any building conforms with the requirements and provisions of the *Building Code*.

# 3.2 Refusal to Issue a Permit

3.2.1 The *Building Inspector* may refuse to issue a *permit* where the proposed work will in the opinion of the *Building Inspector* contravene the requirements of the *Building Code*, the provisions of this Bylaw, other bylaws of the Regional District or the <u>Local Government Act</u>, or any restrictive covenant in favour of the Regional District.

#### 3.3 Correction Orders

3.3.1 The *Building Inspector* may order, in writing, the correction or cessation of any work which contravenes the *Building Code*, the provisions of this Bylaw or a building *permit*.

# 3.4 Right of Entry

3.4.1 The *Building Inspector* is authorized to enter on property at any time between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on any day in order to ascertain whether the requirements of this Bylaw are being met.

#### 3.5 Identification

3.5.1 The *Building Inspector* shall carry identification issued by the Regional District identifying himself or herself as the *Building Inspector*.

#### PART 4

#### **APPLICATIONS, PERMITS AND FEES**

#### 4.1 Separate Application for Each Building or Structure

- 4.1.1 Every building or *structure* to be constructed on a parcel shall be the subject of a separate *permit* application and *permit*, and shall be assessed a separate permit fee based on the value of the building or *structure*, except for the following which may be considered together:
  - (a) where a detached garage is to be constructed at the same time as a principal dwelling;
  - (b) where multiple buildings or *structures* are proposed in association with:
    - (i) a condominium type development, or;
    - (ii) a multiple residential type development.

# 4.2 Form of Application

- 4.2.1 An application for a *permit* filed with the *Building Inspector* shall:
  - (a) be made in the form as set out in Schedule 'E' attached to and forming a part of this bylaw;
  - (b) provide all information reasonably required by the *Building Inspector* to determine whether a building *permit* is issuable under this Bylaw; and
  - (c) be signed by the owner or the owner's agent.

# 4.3 Building Permit Fee

- 4.3.1 Before receiving a *permit* for a building or *structure*, the owner shall first pay to the Regional District the appropriate permit fee as calculated in accordance with Schedule 'B' of this Bylaw.
- 4.3.2 One-half of the permit fee may be refunded when the owner has submitted a written request for a refund. This refund is subject to the following conditions:
  - (a) the building *construction* has not commenced;
  - (b) the *permit* has not expired;
  - (c) no inspections have taken place; and
  - (d) the provision of a refund will cause cancellation of the *permit*.

#### 4.4 Issuance of Permit

- 4.4.1 Where:
  - (a) a complete application has been made for a *permit*;
  - (b) the proposed work set out in the application conforms with this and all other bylaws of the Regional District and the *Building Code*; and
  - (c) the applicant for a *permit* has paid the fee set out in Schedule 'B' of this Bylaw,

the *Building Inspector* may issue a *permit* in the form as set out in Schedule 'F' attached to and forming a part of this bylaw.

#### 4.5 Conditions of a Permit

- 4.5.1 After issuance of the *permit*, the applicant shall post a copy of the building *permit*, in a conspicuous place open to public viewing on the site for which the *permit* has been issued.
- 4.5.2 The applicant shall keep a copy of the reviewed plans and supporting documents on the parcel for which the *permit* has been issued.
- 4.5.3 A permit or an application for a permit that is in process shall not be transferred or

- assigned until the current owner or the new owner has notified the *Building Inspector* in writing and the *Building Inspector* has authorized the transfer or assignment in writing.
- 4.5.4 The review of drawings, specifications and plans and issuance of a *permit* shall not prevent the *Building Inspector* from thereafter requiring the correction of errors in the said drawings, specifications and plans, or from prohibiting building *construction* or occupancy being carried on in violation of this or another Bylaw.

# 4.6 Permit Expiration

- 4.6.1 Subject to Section 4.7, a *permit* shall expire;
  - (a) when *construction* pursuant to the *permit* has not commenced within one year of the date of issuance; and
  - (b) when *construction* has been discontinued or suspended for a period of more than one year from the date of the last inspection undertaken by the *Building Inspector* or from the commencement of *construction*; and
  - (c) in any event three years after the original date of issuance.
- 4.6.2 When a *permit* has expired, no *construction* or other work may continue or commence until a new *permit* is issued or an extension has been approved.

# 4.7 Extension After Expiry Date

- 4.7.1 A *permit* may be extended for a period of not greater than one year from the date of expiry provided:
  - (a) at least thirty days prior to the date of *permit* expiration the owner has written to the *Building Inspector* requesting to extend the *permit*; and
  - (b) the *Building Inspector* has approved the extension in writing.
- 4.7.2 Where an extension of a *permit* has been granted and the extension period has expired, a new application shall be made and permit fee paid with respect to the work required to finish the *construction*.

#### 4.8 Permit Revocation

- 4.8.1 The *Building Inspector* may revoke a *permit* where:
  - (a) there is a violation by the owner of a condition under which the *permit* was issued;
  - (b) there is a violation of a requirement of the *Building Code* or of this Bylaw;
  - (c) the *permit* was issued on a basis of incorrect information supplied by the owner; or

(d) in the opinion of the Building Inspector the results of tests on materials, devices, construction methods, structural assemblies or foundation conditions contravene the Building Code or the provisions of this Bylaw or both.

The *permit* revocation shall be in writing and sent to the *permit* holder by registered mail or personal service.

# 4.9 Requirement for Professional Designer

- 4.9.1 Where the *Building Inspector* determines that site conditions, size or complexity of a building or *structure* or building component warrant, the *Building Inspector* may require, at the owner's expense, a *professional design* and a *field review*.
- 4.9.2 Prior to the issuance of a building *permit*, where the *Building Inspector* requires a *professional design*, the owner shall submit letters of assurance, as outlined in the schedules of the *Building Code* to the extent that they deal with plan compliance, incorporating the assurances of the *professional designer* that the plans and supporting documents submitted with the application for a building *permit* conform with or exceed the *Building Code* and other applicable safety enactments.
- 4.9.3 After completion of *construction* but prior to occupancy of a building that is subject to *professional field review*, the owner shall submit letters of assurance pursuant to the *Building Code* incorporating the assurances of the *professional designers* that:
  - (a) the *professional field review* has been completed for all the applicable disciplines; and
  - (b) the *construction* of the project conforms with the plans, specifications and related documents for which the building *permit* was issued.
- 4.9.4 A moved *structure* or *manufactured home* may only be placed subject to the following requirements:
  - (a) For manufactured homes not displaying either a Z240 or A277 CSA certification stamp or which have been structurally altered, certification will be required from a professional engineer verifying that the building is safe for the use intended. The *Building Inspector* may be required to make a site inspection to verify CSA certification;
  - (b) For placement of any moved *structure* having a floor area that is greater than 20 square metres, certification will be required from a professional engineer verifying that the building will be safe for the use intended following relocation.

#### PART 5

#### **DELAYED DEMOLITIONS**

# 5.1 Demolition Agreement

5.1.1 Where an owner wishes to continue to use an existing dwelling as a residence while constructing another dwelling on the same parcel, and the zoning Bylaw of the Regional District permits only one dwelling on the parcel, the owner shall enter into an agreement with the Regional District in a form as contained in Schedule 'C'

of this Bylaw undertaking on completion or occupation of the new dwelling to:

- (a) remove the existing dwelling; or
- (b) convert the existing dwelling to a non-residential use as permitted by zoning regulations, to the satisfaction of the *Building Inspector*.
- 5.1.2 Should the applicant not proceed with the options provided by Section 5.1.1(a) or (b) then the *Regional Board* is authorized to remove the pre-existing dwelling from the property and collect a rent charge for the costs of so doing, pursuant to the agreement as contained in Schedule "C" and executed between the applicant and the Peace River Regional District Board.

PART 6 INSPECTIONS

# 6.1 Inspection Schedule

- 6.1.1 An owner to whom a *permit* is issued pursuant to this Bylaw shall give at least two working days' notice to the *Building Inspector* in order to obtain inspection of the construction and receive permission to continue with permitted work:
  - (a) after forms for the floor slab, footings and foundations are complete, but prior to the placing of concrete;
  - (b) after underslab plumbing is complete and while it is under test as required by the *BC Plumbing Code*;
  - (c) after the foundations have been completed, which includes either concrete or preserved wood foundation and installation of perimeter drains and damp-proofing, but prior to backfilling against the building;
  - (d) after granular base materials, polyethylene damp-proofing membrane and reinforcing steel (if applicable) has been placed for the installation of a concrete floor slab, but prior to placing of concrete;
  - (e) before a plumbing system, building drain, sanitary or storm sewer or water service is covered. If any part of a plumbing system is covered before it is inspected and approved, it shall be uncovered if a *Building Inspector* so directs;
  - (f) after framing and sheathing, all exterior doors, windows and roof membrane are completed, including the installation of flashing, fire-stopping, bracing, chimney and duct-work, rough wiring, gas venting, and rough plumbing but before the insulation, or other interior or exterior finish is applied which would conceal such work;
  - (g) after the insulation and the vapour barrier are in place, but prior to the concealing of such work;
  - (h) after the installation of any factory-built fireplace or solid fuel burning appliance and associated flue pipes or chimneys, but before any use of such appliance;

(i) after the building has been completed and is ready for occupancy, but prior to actual occupancy, pursuant to the requirements of Section 6.6.

# 6.2 Reinspection Fee

6.2.1 Where it has been determined by the *Building Inspector* that due to non-compliance with the provisions of this Bylaw or due to unsatisfactory workmanship, more than two inspections are necessary at any particular stage of *construction*, the fee for each inspection after the second inspection of the same work shall be \$50.00.

# 6.3 Special Inspection Fees

6.3.1 For a required *permit* inspection which cannot be carried out during normal working hours and where there is a request to carry out such inspection outside of the hours during which the offices of the Regional District are normally open, the fee shall be \$90.00 for each hour or part thereof in which the *Building Inspector* is engaged in the inspection or travel related to the inspection.

#### 6.4 Stop Work Order

- 6.4.1 The *Building Inspector* may order the cessation of work that is proceeding without or in contravention of a *permit* by posting a *stop work notice* on the property where such work is undertaken.
- 6.4.2 The owner shall within 48 hours of the posting of a *stop work notice* under Section 6.4.1 secure the *construction* and the lands and premises surrounding the *construction* in compliance with the safety requirements of every statute, regulation or order of the Province or of a provincial agency.
- 6.4.3 Subject to Section 6.4.2, no work other than the remedial measures required by the *Building Inspector* shall be carried out in respect of the building or *structure* in question until the *stop work notice* has been removed by the *Building Inspector*.
- 6.4.4 The *stop work notice* referred to in Section 6.4.1 shall remain posted on the premises until *construction* has been remedied to the satisfaction of the *Building Inspector*.

# 6.5 Survey Certificate

- 6.5.1 After the foundation of any building, the *construction* of which is authorized by *permit* pursuant to this Bylaw, has been placed and prior to constructing any portion of the building on the foundation, the owner shall submit for approval, where required by the *Building Inspector*, a plan prepared by a British Columbia Land Surveyor showing:
  - (a) the shortest distances from the surfaces of the foundation to the parcel boundaries:

and where a building or *structure* is within a floodplain the plan shall also include:

(b) the elevation of the underside of any floor system intended to be used for habitation or the storage of goods or equipment; and

(c) confirmation that the *structure* is at an elevation and in a location that complies with setback and elevation standards as established by the Ministry of Environment.

All elevations shall be measured from geodetic datum.

# 6.6 Completion Inspections

- 6.6.1 A completion inspection is required for:
  - (a) every building or *structure*, alteration or repair for which a *permit* has been issued, except for:
    - (i) a new single family dwelling; or
    - (ii) a new accessory building;
  - (b) every existing building for which a *permit* has been issued.
- 6.6.2 Every request for a completion inspection shall be accompanied by the following information prior to a completion inspection being undertaken:
  - (a) where required by the *Building Code* or this Bylaw, written certification by the owner, *agent* or *professional designer* that the building or applicable portion conforms to the approved plans and the requirements of this Bylaw; and
  - (b) such other information as may reasonably be required by the *Building Inspector* to ascertain compliance with this Bylaw.
- 6.6.3 The following specific reports shall be submitted to the *Building Inspector*, where applicable, prior to a requested completion inspection:
  - (a) a "Contractor's Material and Test Certificate", once any sprinkler has been flushed, inspected, and tested to meet NFPA-13 standards;
  - (b) a certification by the installer of equipment regulated by NFPA 96 standards:
  - (c) a "Certificate of Verification" (or equivalent) together with the manufacturer's "Inspection Report", after the components of any fire alarm systems incorporating annunciator panels have been inspected and verified to meet the manufacturer's specifications and the *Building Code*, and the whole system or applicable portion thereof has been tested by the manufacturer or installer;
  - (d) Province of British Columbia approval to operate public pools and spas;
  - (e) a survey certificate duly signed and sealed by a licensed British Columbia Land Surveyor.
- 6.6.4 Where seasonal weather conditions impact and a building is substantially complete except for works precluded by weather restrictions, the *Building*

*Inspector* may provide a provisional completion inspection subject to the building being safe and fit for the use intended and conditional on the remaining works being completed and inspected within nine (9) months of the date of the provisional completion.

# PART 7

# TEMPORARY BUILDINGS

# 7.1 Requirement for a Permit

- 7.1.1 A temporary building or *structure* shall not be placed or constructed except in accordance with this Section.
- 7.1.2 Subject to compliance with other applicable bylaws and the *Building Code*, the *Building Inspector* may, upon application, issue a *permit* for the erection or placement of a temporary building unless a *Building Inspector* is of the view that the building would not be safe for the use intended.
- 7.1.3 The word "temporary", as used in this section, shall mean the period designated on the *permit*, but shall not exceed two (2) years from the date of the *permit*. A further two (2) year extension may be granted upon application.
- 7.1.4 Applications for a *permit* to construct a temporary building shall be made in the form as set out in Schedule 'E' attached to and forming a part of this bylaw
  - (a) plans of sufficient detail to show complete compliance with Peace River Regional District bylaws, the *Building Code* and other applicable regulations, and shall include the location of the building on the site and *construction* details of the building;
  - (b) a statement of the intended use and duration of the use;
  - (c) the permit fee noted on Schedule 'B' to this Bylaw.

# 7.2 Expiry of Temporary Building Permit

- 7.2.1 Ninety-five percent (95%) of the permit fee shall be available for refund upon written application by the owner to the Peace River Regional District advising that the temporary building(s) or *structure*(s) have been removed and that all requirements under the conditions of the granting of the *permit* have been complied with.
- 7.2.2 Application for refund must be made within six (6) months of expiration of the *permit*.

# PART 8

# **DEMOLITIONS**

# 8.1 Requirements for Demolition

- 8.1.1 A *permit* shall be applied for and obtained where demolition is sought or required by bylaw, or by regulation, for any building or *structure*.
- 8.1.2 The following conditions are required for issuance of a demolition *permit*:

- (a) that arrangements are made for the proper disconnection, as appropriate, of all services and utilities to the property, prior to demolition;
- (b) that public safety is protected prior to, during, and after the demolition pursuant to Part 8 of the *Building Code*;
- (c) that removal of all demolition materials and foundations from the site, filling and leveling of excavations, and leaving the site in a safe and tidy manner is effected;
- (d) that damages to utilities, services or adjoining properties and all liabilities during demolition shall remain the responsibility of the owner;
- (e) that the completion of the above requirements shall be fulfilled within ninety (90) days of the date of issuance of a *permit* for demolition;
- (f) payment of the permit fee as set out in Schedule 'B' as attached to this Bylaw.

# 8.2 Refund of Demolition Fee

- 8.2.1 Ninety-five percent (95%) of the permit fee shall be available for refund upon written application by the owner to the Peace River Regional District advising that the demolition has been completed and that all requirements under the conditions of the granting of the *permit* have been complied with.
- 8.2.2 Application for refund must be made within six (6) months of completion of the demolition.

PART 9 VIOLATIONS

#### 9.1 Violations

9.1.1 Every person who does anything that this Bylaw prohibits, fails or omits to do anything this Bylaw requires to be done, or who breaches any provisions of this Bylaw, commits an offence. Each day an offence continues shall be a separate offence.

#### 9.2 Penalty

9.2.1 Every person who commits an offence contrary to the provisions of this Bylaw is liable on summary conviction to the maximum penalty pursuant to the *Offence Act* in addition to the costs of the prosecution.

**PART 10** 

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### 10.1 Severability

10.1.1 If a section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph or phrase of this Bylaw is for any reason declared invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, the decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Bylaw.

### 10.2 Repeal

10.2.1 This Bylaw shall come into force and effect upon adoption, at which time "Building Bylaw No. 1996, 2011" shall be repealed except to the extent provided for in this Part.

#### 10.3 Transition

10.3.1 This Bylaw will only apply to permits for which applications were received after the effective date set out in Section 10.2. Any permit for which an application was pending or in effect, on or before the effective date of this Bylaw will be governed by the terms and conditions of "Building Bylaw No. 1996, 2011" and all amendments thereto. After expiry of a permit issued under "Building Bylaw No.1996, 2011", all construction on the land to which the permit pertained shall be subject to this Bylaw.

#### 10.4 Schedules

10.4.1 Schedules 'A' to 'F' are attached hereto and form part of this Bylaw.

#### 10.5 Citation

10.5.1 This Bylaw may be cited as "Building Bylaw No. 2131, 2014".

READ A FIRST TIME this 27th day of November	_, 2014.
READ A SECOND TIME this 27th day of November	, 2014.
READ A THIRD TIME this 27 <sup>th</sup> day of November	, 2014.
ADOPTED this 27 <sup>th</sup> day of November, 2014.	

Karen Goodings, Chair

o-Anne Frank, Corporate Officer

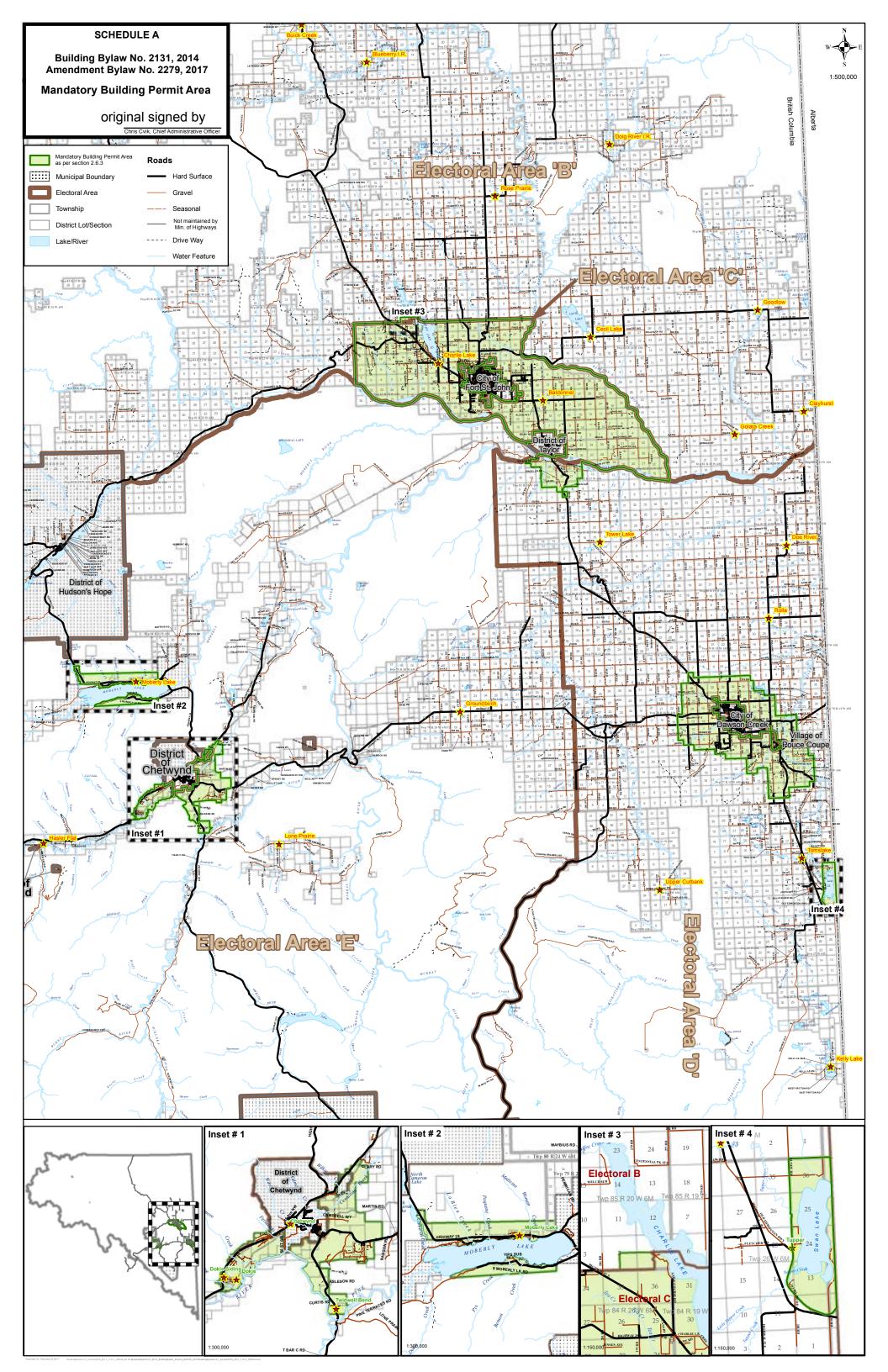
I hereby certify this to be a true and correct copy of "PRRD Building Bylaw No. 2131, 2014", as adopted by the Peace River Regional District Board on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

Corporate Officer

# **SCHEDULE 'A'**

# **MANDATORY BUILDING PERMIT AREA**

See the large format map contained with this Bylaw



# SCHEDULE 'B'

# **PERMIT FEES AND CHARGES**

Α	Building Permit Fee (see Part 4)	½ of 1% of total estimated value of construction
В	Minimum Building Permit Fee (see Part 4)	\$100.00
С	Reinspection Fee (see Section 6.2)	\$50.00
D	Special Inspection Fee (see Section 6.3)	\$90.00 per hour
Е	Temporary Buildings (see Part 7)	\$500.00
F	Demolitions (see Part 8)	\$500.00
G	Fee reduction for reliance on a <i>Professional</i> designer (see Section 4.9)	Permit fee shall be reduced by 50%, but shall not be less than \$100.00
Н	Factory-built fireplace or solid fuel burning appliance (see Section (6.1 h)	\$50.00

#### SCHEDULE 'C'

#### **SECTION 219 COVENANT**

# **DEMOLITION AGREEMENT**

THIS (	COVENANT made as of the day of, 20	14.
BETW	EEN:	
	(the "Covenantor")	
AND:	PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT, a municipal corporation pursuant to the laws of British Columbia and having an address of 1981 Alaska Avenue, Box 810, Dawson Creek, B.C. V1G 4H8  (the "Regional District")	
WHEF	REAS:	
A.	The Covenantor is the registered owner in fee simple of the following lands and presituate in the Peace River Regional District described as:	emises
	(the "Lands")	

- B. The Covenantor desires to build a new dwelling on the Lands and wishes to reside in the existing dwelling on the Lands during the construction of the new dwelling;
- C. Only one dwelling is permitted by bylaw on the Lands;
- D. The Covenantor has agreed to enter into a Demolition Agreement as provided for in Part 5 of" Peace River Regional District Building Bylaw No. 2131, 2014".

NOW THEREFORE THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH that pursuant to Section 219 of the Land Title Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 250, and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) now paid by the Regional District to the Covenantor (the receipt and sufficiency whereof is hereby the Convenantor acknowledged), the Covenantor grants to this Covenant and agrees with the Regional District as follows:

- 1. In this Restrictive Covenant:
  - (a) "Existing Dwelling" means that certain single family dwelling situate on the Lands as of the date of this Covenant having an address of .
  - (b) "New Dwelling" means the single family dwelling authorized to be constructed upon the Lands pursuant to the Permit annexed to this Covenant as Schedule "A".
- 2. The Lands shall not be used for any use other than one single family dwelling.
- 3. Except as provided herein no more than one single family dwelling may be sited, placed or built upon the Lands.
- 4. The Covenantor covenants that within ninety (90) days of the New Dwelling receiving a completion inspection, the Existing Dwelling:
  - (a) must be demolished and removed from the Lands; and
  - (b) must cease to be used for residential purposes and converted from a use that is a non-residential use permitted by the applicable zoning regulations.
- 5. The Covenantor hereby grants to the Regional District in perpetuity a rent charge payable out of the Lands in the amount of \$5,000 (the "Rent Charge") to secure all costs, fees and expenses incurred by the Regional District in exercising any rights pursuant to Section 7 of this Covenant. The Rent Charge shall be the absolute property of the Regional District in fee simple and shall be payable free and clear of all set-offs and deductions within thirty (30) days of receipt of an invoice by the Convenantor from the Regional District subject to the following terms and conditions:
  - (a) if and whenever the Covenantor is in default in payment of the Rent Charge and such default continues for thirty (30) days following the date in which the Rent Charge is payable then the Regional District without notice or any form of legal process, enter upon the Lands to levy distress and to seize, remove, and sell any goods, chattels and equipment found thereon, despite any rule of law or equity to the contrary, and the Covenantor to the extent the law permits, hereby waives and renounces the benefit of any present or future statute or law limiting or eliminating the Regional District's right of distress;
  - (b) no reference to or exercise of any specific right or remedy by the Regional District in enforcing the Rent Charge or the restrictions, terms and conditions of this Covenant shall preclude, prejudice or limit the Regional District from exercising any other remedy at law or in equity not expressly provided for herein. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Regional District may sue on the covenant of the Covenantor, and in debt for recovery of the Rent Charge, and may enjoin any breaches of the restrictions herein.

No remedy shall be exclusive or dependent upon any other remedy and the Regional District may from time to time exercise any one or more of the remedies available to it independently or in combination;

- (c) the Regional District in exercising rights pursuant to sub-section (a) and (b) of this Restrictive Covenant, shall not be liable or responsible to the Covenantor in any way for any loss or damage to the Lands, injury to person, or loss or damage to any property of the Covenantor or of any other person while such property is on the Lands, however incurred or suffered during any time that the Regional District is in exclusive possession of or has allowed or permitted any other person to go into possession of the Lands or in respect of any levy of distress upon goods, chattels and equipment on the Lands.
- 6. The Regional District must provide to the Covenantor a discharge of this Covenant upon the Covenantor fully complying with its obligations under Section 4 and provided that monies owing (if any) under the Rent Charge are fully paid.
- 7. If the Covenantor shall fail to perform its obligations in this Covenant to be performed including without limitation the obligations pursuant to Section 4, the Regional District may at is sole discretion and at the Covenantor's expense:
  - (a) enter onto the Land and do and cause to be done through its employees or contractors all such things as may be required to perform the obligations of the Covenantor including without limitation, the demolition and removal of the Existing Dwelling; and
  - (b) incur and pay all fees, charges, expenses and costs required to be made to perform the obligations of the Covenantor.
- 8. No reference to or exercise of any specific right or remedy by the Regional District in enforcing the restrictions, terms and conditions of this Covenant shall preclude, prejudice or limit the Regional District from exercising any other remedy at law or in equity not expressly provided for herein. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Regional District may sue on the covenant of the Covenantor, and may enjoin any breaches of the restrictions herein. No remedy shall be exclusive or dependent upon any other remedy and the Regional District may from time to time exercise any one or more of the remedies available to it independently or in combination.
- 9. The Regional District in exercising rights pursuant to Section 7 of this Covenant, shall not be liable or responsible to the Covenantor in any way for any loss or damage to the Lands, injury to person, or loss or damage to any property of the Covenantor or of any other person while such property is on the Lands, however incurred or suffered.

- 10. The Covenantor covenants to and does hereby indemnify and save harmless the Regional District at all times from all loss, damages, actions, suits, claims, demands, costs, expenses, fines and liabilities of any nature whatsoever by whomsoever brought, made or suffered for which the Regional District shall or may become liable, incur or suffer:
  - (a) by reason of a breach of this Covenant;
  - (b) from any injury to person or loss of or damage to property by whomsoever owned, arising directly or indirectly from the exercise by the Regional District of any of its remedies for default of the Covenantor;
  - (c) by reason of any injury to any person or damage to property arising from the exercise by the Covenantor of rights to use the Lands pursuant to this Covenant.
- 11. All of the provisions of this Covenant are to be construed as covenants and should any provisions of this Covenant be or become illegal, invalid or unenforceable, it shall be considered separate or severable and the remaining provisions shall remain in force and be binding upon the Covenantor and be enforceable to the fullest extent of the law.
- 12. Nothing contained or implied herein shall prejudice or affect the Regional District's rights and powers in the exercise of its functions pursuant to the <u>Municipal Act</u> or its rights and powers under all of its public and private statutes, bylaws, orders and regulations, all of which may be fully and effectively exercised in relation to the Lands as if the Covenant has not been executed and delivered by the Covenantor.
- No provision in this Covenant requiring the Regional District's approval shall be deemed to have been fulfilled or waived unless the written approval of the Regional District relating to the particular matter has first been obtained. Any approval given under the hand of the Administrator shall be sufficient approval. No prior approval and no condoning, excusing or overlooking by the Regional District on previous occasions of failure of the Covenantor to obtain approval when required shall be taken to operate as a waiver of the necessity of such approval whenever required hereunder.
- 14. The Covenants set forth herein shall charge the Lands pursuant to Section 219 of the *Land Title Act* and shall be covenants the burden of which shall run with the Lands and bind the Lands and which shall attach to and run with each and every part into which the Lands may be divided or subdivided.
- 15. For the purposes of Section 7 reference to the Regional District includes its officers, employees, agents, contractors and others acting under the authority or instruction of the Regional District.

- 16. The Covenantor will, after execution hereof by it, at its own expense, do or cause to be done all acts reasonably necessary to grant priority to this Covenant over all charges and encumbrances which may have been registered against the title to the Lands in the Land Title Office save and except those as have been specifically approved in writing by the Regional District or have been granted by or to the Regional District.
- 17. Whenever the singular is used herein, the same shall be construed as meaning the plural, or body corporate or politic where the context of the parties so require.
- 18. The Covenantor hereto shall do and cause to be done all things and shall execute and cause to be executed all documents which may be necessary to give proper effect to the intention of this Covenant.
- 19. Schedule 'A' attached hereto forms part of this Covenant.
- 20. This Covenant and each and every provision of it shall enure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns, as the case may be.

#### SCHEDULE 'D'

# **ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION VALUE**

The following table shall be used for calculating *estimated construction value* for the purpose of determining building permit fees and charges.

RESIDENTIAL*					
	Description		Est.	. Value	Est. Value per
			per	Sq. Ft.	Sq. Metres
1.	Basement home		\$	90.00	\$27.43
2.	Basement finished	(add)	\$	20.00	\$6.10
3.	Crawl space home		\$	80.00	\$24.38
4.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Story finished	(add)	\$	50.00	\$15.24
5.	Attached garage	(add)	\$	30.00	\$9.14
6.	Detached garage	(add)	\$	35.00	\$10.67
7.	With carport	(add)	\$	15.00	\$4.57
8.	With sundeck	(add)	\$	10.00	\$3.05
	OR Verified contract price			\$	\$

COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, INSTITUTIONAL	
Verified contract price	\$ \$

#### Notes:

<sup>\*</sup> This table is intended primarily for conventional single family residential *construction*. Verified contract price will be considered for buildings and *structures* not covered by this table.



# SCHEDULE 'E'

# PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT BUILDING BYLAW NO. 2131, 2014

# **BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION**

APPLICATION INFORMATION: (to be filled ou	ut by the applicant or	r authorized agent)			
Owner's Name:	Owner's Name: Home Phone:				
Owner's E-mail:	Dayti	me Phone(s):			
Mailing Address:	City:	:	Postal Code:		
House Number & road name of construction sit	te:		Cell Phone:		
Contractor's Name:			Phone:		
Legal Description: Lot: Block:					
District Lot					
Lot size/acres: Building size:		-			
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:					
Are there any other buildings occupying the pro Are there any steep grades exceeding 15% or a			he site plan		
Class of work will be	T	ype of Construction			
home:	Placing a Wood Stove: Chimney:	Wood Frame:  Masonry:  Timber:			
ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION VALUE: please use table on the back for calculating value: \$  SIGNATURE OF OWNER OR AUTHORIZED AGENT:  DATE:					
The applicant agrees that construction will be in accordance with the BC Building Code and all other regulations which are applicable to the proposed work and that a failure to request inspections does not relieve the applicant from the obligations to comply with the required standards and regulations and that the Peace River Regional District assumes no responsibility for the design, construction, safety or suitability of the building or structure subject to this application.					
		KLIST ON THE BACK QUIRED WITH THIS AI	PPLICATION		
HEAD OFFICE – Dawson Creek 1981 Alaska Avenue Box 810 Dawson Creek BC V1G 4H8 Tel: (250) 784-3200 Fax: (250) 784-3201 Toll Free: 1-800-670-7773 Email: prrd.dc@prrd.bc.ca		950! Fort Tel: Fax: Ema	NCH OFFICE – Fort St. John 5 – 100 <sup>th</sup> Street St. John BC V1J 4N4 (250) 785-8084 (250) 785-1125 il: <u>prrd.fsj@prrd.bc.ca</u> site: <u>www.prrd.bc.ca</u>		

#### **Checklist Guide**

Submit the following information with your application form select one of the following construction types applicable to your project any items pertaining to your building project listed below that do not accompany your application may result in your building permit being delayed

#### Single Family Dwelling / Built On Site

- two sets of plans complete with foundation details / (see guide for residential construction, available at PRRD office)
- engineer certified design drawings for trusses and engineered floor systems
- (2) (3) (4) site plan showing services, distances from lot lines, location of all buildings.
- HPO Declaration and Disclosure Notice
- (5) School Site Acquisition Charge paid (SD #60 only)
- proof of ownership current tax assessment notice or title certificate
- arrange for an appointment with the building inspector to discuss your proposal

#### Garage / Accessory Building

- detailed foundation drawings / cross section of wall assembly
- (2) engineer certified design drawings for trusses
- (3) site plan / showing distances from lot lines, location of all buildings and dimension of all buildings
- proof of ownership current tax assessment notice or title certificate

#### Manufactured Home / Mobile Home

- foundation drawings / piling layout / site preparation details
- (2) site plan showing distances from lot lines, location of all buildings
- any additions to mobile homes will require detailed construction drawings
- proof of ownership current tax assessment notice or title certificate (4)
- School Site Acquisition Charge paid (SD #60 only)

# Commercial / Light Industrial

(1) arrange for an appointment with the building inspector to discuss your proposal

#### RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION VALUE TABLE

	Description		Est. Value per Sq.	Est. Value per Sq.
			Ft.	Metres
1.	Basement home		\$90.00	\$968.78
2.	Basement finished	(add)	\$20.00	\$215.28
3.	Crawl space home		\$80.00	\$861.14
4.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Story finished	(add)	\$50.00	\$538.21
5.	Attached garage	(add)	\$30.00	\$322.92
6.	Detached garage	(add)	\$35.00	\$376.74
7.	With carport	(add)	\$15.00	\$161.46
8.	With sundeck	(add)	\$10.00	\$107.64
	or verified contract price			
	COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, INSTITU	ITIONAL		
	verified contract price			

## FOR OFFICE USE

Building Permit No:PID No:	ALR: PALC Approval:	Type of Disposal System: HPO Declaration Disclosure Notice:
Folio No:	Variance Permit:	SSAC receipt#
Zoning Bylaw No.	Development Permit:	Geotech Required :
Property Zoning:	Delayed Demo Agreement:	Geotech Notes: _
Zoning Notes:	Electoral Area:	
	Fire Protection Area:	

#### SCHEDULE 'F'



# PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT BUILDING BYLAW NO. 2131, 2014

# **BUILDING PERMIT**

N	0	Date:	
app		cation made in respect of the property noted below and t egulations of the PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT, a peri ows:	
Owi	ner's Name:	Home Phone:	
Add	ress:	Work Phone:	
Leg	al description of propert	<u>.                                    </u>	
Des	cription of Work:		
Prov	visions and Conditions:		
Esti	mated construction valu	2: \$	
Peri	mit Fee: \$	Date Received: Receipt No	
with		nust commence within one (1) year of the date of issuance and be complet date of issuance, unless otherwise extended, otherwise this permit shall be	
	Regional District, in is professional Engineer	oft has been checked, the applicant is hereby advised that the Peace River uing this permit, has relied upon the certification of compliance of a or Architect as submitted with the application for this permit, that the plans t BC Building Code and other applicable regulations.	
		his agent shall request inspections from the Building Inspector at least 48 is inspection and approval to continue.	
Аре	ermit is not valid unless	ne fee has been paid and the permit is signed by the building inspector.	
BUI	LDING INSPECTOR (si	nature)	

# THIS PERMIT MUST BE POSTED ON THE CONSTRUCTION SITE

HEAD OFFICE – Dawson Creek, BC Box 810, 1981 Alaska Avenue Dawson Creek, BC V1G 4H8

Tel: (250) 784-3200

Fax: (250) 784-3201

Toll Free: 1-800-670-7773

BRANCH OFFICE – Fort St. John 9505 100 St Fort St. John, BC V1J 4N4 Tel: (250) 785-8084

Fax: (250) 785-1125