

**ORDINANCE NO. 2012-1**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF EATONVILLE, WASHINGTON, INCREASING ITS UTILITY TAX TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL REVENUE DEDICATED TO FUND PUBLIC SAFETY FOR THE TOWN OF EATONVILLE, AMENDING EMC 3.30.020, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, RCW 35.21.870 permits the legislative body to impose a tax not to exceed six percent “on the privilege of conducting an electrical energy, natural gas, steam energy, or telephone business, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Eatonville’s Police and Fire and EMS Departments are in a budget shortfall, and increased revenue would allow the these departments to better serve and protect the Town’s citizens, and

**WHEREAS**, the Council is the legislative authority of the Town of Eatonville,

**THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Town of Eatonville as follows:

Section 1. Section 2 of Ordinance 2003-17, codified as EMC 3.30.020, is amended to read as follows:

**3.30.020 Utility tax – Rate.**

(a) The “utility tax” described in EMC 3.30.010 shall be levied at a rate of ~~five~~ six percent per annum on the gross revenues of ~~certain~~ the following utility services: ~~including~~ electric, water, sewer, garbage and storm drain.

(b) One percent per annum of the gross revenues collected per the preceding subsection shall be dedicated to use by and for the Town of Eatonville’s Police and Fire and EMS Departments.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be effective on the sixty-first day after passage by the Council.

Passed by the Council of the Town of Eatonville at a regular meeting held this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2012.

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Raymond Harper, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Chrystal McGlone, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Town Attorney