

**ORDINANCE 2011-987**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WAITSBURG, WASHINGTON, ADDING SECTION 140 TO TITLE 9 CHAPTER 1 REGARDING UPDATES TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE FOR THE PRORATION OF UTILITY BILLS**

**WHEREAS**, updates are needed to portions of the City's Municipal Code in order to update standards regarding the proration of utility bills; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to amend certain portions of the Code to provide for certain procedural changes as set forth above:

**NOW THEREFORE**, the City Council of the City of Waitsburg does ordain as follows:

9.01.140. Billing Cycle. The Monthly Billing Cycle related to the City Utilities will start on the 26<sup>th</sup> of each month and run to the 25<sup>th</sup> of the next month with bills being due on the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month in accordance with WMC 9.01.130.

a. In the event a utility user requests their utilities stopped during the billing cycle, the City shall prorate the next bill as follows:

Disconnection Prior to the 10<sup>th</sup> of the Month – ½ the monthly cost of the utilities

Disconnection After the 10<sup>th</sup> of the Month – Full cost of monthly utilities

A summary of this Ordinance consisting of its title shall be published in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect immediately upon passage by the Council and publication as required by law.

Passed by the Waitsburg City Council this 19 day of October, 2011.

Approved:

Attest:

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Walt Gobel, Mayor

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Randy Hinchliffe, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Kristian E. Hedine, City Attorney