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**Important Numbers**

**Billing/Collections/Connects**  
(979) 821-5700

**Electrical Outage/Lines Down**  
(979) 822-3777

**Line Design**  
(979) 821-5770

**Social Media**

- BryanTexasUtilities
- BTU\_BryanTX
- cityofbryan

# Regular Board of Directors MEETING NOTES | February 12, 2024

**Texas Public Power Association Update**

Mr. Taylor Kilroy, Executive Director of the Texas Public Power Association, gave a presentation regarding TPPA's mission and goals.

**Fiscal Year 2023 Financial Audit**

Ms. Laura Lambert, Partner at Weaver and Tidwell, LLP, reviewed the Fiscal Year 2023 audit report for both the City and Rural systems. Ms. Lambert reported that the BTU financials received a clean opinion with no material weaknesses found.

**Transmission Power Flow Studies**

The Board approved a professional engineering contract with POWER Engineers for transmission power flow studies to evaluate BTU's transmission system.

**Update to the BTU Energy Risk Management Policy**

The Board approved updates to the BTU Risk Policy as presented by BTU staff.



Leonard Rd Substation

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## BTU KIOSKS

Pay using cash, card or check at any one of our three convenient locations by entering your account number, listed on either your bill or your reminder letter, or by scanning a keycard provided by BTU. Keycards can be requested in the BTU main office.

**KIOSK LOCATIONS**

- BTU Drive Thru – open 24 hours
- HEB at Texas Ave. & Hwy 21 – open 6am-12am
- HEB in the Tejas Center – open 6am-12am

# APRIL 18TH

#ThankALineworker

I am the lineman, keeper of the line.

In the early dawn's embrace I rise,  
A guardian beneath vast skies.  
In dawn's quiet, I hear the whispers hum,  
Of currents coursing where wild birds drum.

With tools in hand and purpose bright,  
I scale the poles, a daring flight.  
Above the world, where the eagles soar,  
I tread the lines, my duty to explore.

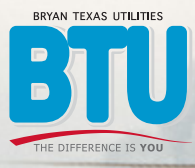
Through rain and shine, through storm and gale,  
I mend the web, where electrons sail.  
A dance with danger demands expert skill,  
Each step a test, I rise to fulfill.

I weave through circuits, with a spider's grace,  
In this realm of wires, I find my place.  
With steady hands and a heart that knows,  
I tame the sparks where the wild wind blows.

Beneath the sun, or the moon's soft glow,  
I'm a guardian of light, in valleys low.  
For every home, every street, every town,  
I keep the current flowing, never let the people down.

For I am the lineman, keeper of the line.

**Join us in celebrating our lineworkers  
on April 18th,  
National Lineman  
Appreciation Day!**





# AXIS PIPE AND TUBE

Axis Pipe and Tube produces high quality oil country tubular goods (OCTG) and line pipe products for use in the oil and gas industry. The company offers a wide range of specifications that meet international standards. With a commitment to superior products and customer satisfaction, Axis Pipe and Tube has earned its reputation as a trusted supplier, serving customers across various sectors and industries.

***“Our mission is to add value to steel,”***

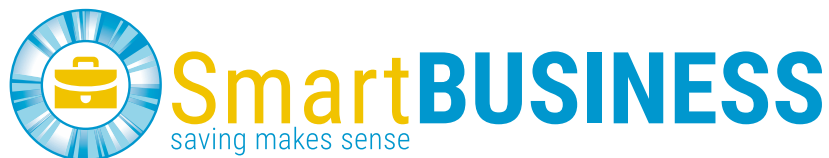
**Engineering Manager, Jesus Soberon said.**

Axis is located in north Bryan. Construction began on the production facility in 2013, with commissioning in 2014. Using all American steel, Axis’s more than 350 employees provide quality products to customers across the nation. From New York to California, from well pipe to refinery products, to hydraulic fracture drilling or “fracking”, they serve all facets of the industry.

Axis is positioned in the heart of what is known as the Texas Triangle, equidistant to the major metropolitan areas of Houston, Dallas/Fort Worth and Austin/San Antonio. This has allowed the company to easily ship its products by truck and rail to all corners of the contiguous United States. The facility can produce over 300,000 metric tons of electric resistance welded (ERW) materials each year. The staff work Monday through Saturday around the clock to ensure a quick and seamless process for their customers.

During the economic downturn associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, Axis got creative. The company was able to adapt the product offering to the challenging market conditions and keep the plant in operation when the oil and gas industry slowed. This allowed Axis to keep its staff for the duration of the pandemic, a rarity in the industry. Now, Axis Pipe and Tube is a unique mill and can produce both oil and gas or structural products and is more adaptable to market changes.

In an effort to maximize efficiency and reduce its carbon footprint, Axis Pipe and Tube recently took advantage of BTU’s SmartBUSINESS program. Each year, the plant upgrades high bay metal halide and high-pressure sodium lights to more energy efficient LED lights. This reduces energy consumption and allows BTU to generate or purchase less energy to supply to the facility.



“We made a great decision to locate in Bryan,” Soberon said. “We are fortunate to have great municipal services and a commitment and true partnership with the City of Bryan, Bryan Texas Utilities, and the Texas Triangle Park.”

## AXIS PIPE AND TUBE

Soberon also noted that partnership and communication is critical to shared success. For example, the production facility uses a great deal of energy, but voluntarily reduces their demand for electricity when grid conditions are tight. This has been particularly beneficial for the Bryan community during calls for conservation over the past few years. In turn, Soberon says municipal leaders are easy to work with and the quality of power, which is important to proper machine operations, is better in Bryan than in many of their other locations.

Axis Pipe and Tube is part of the Prolamsa Group, a family-owned business, with owners that visit the Bryan location every few months from their corporate base in Mexico. Their leadership reinforces the company's values of team work, integrity, and a passion of excellence. The community is privileged to have such a steadfast and principled company anchoring its economic landscape in the vibrant Brazos valley.



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# EMBRACE LEARNING TO SWIM AS AN ESSENTIAL LIFE SKILL



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Enjoying the outdoors in warmer weather is a favorite pastime. Whether it's a beach, pool, lake, or river, water activities bring joy and health benefits. However, they can pose risks, especially for non-swimmers, with young children at higher drowning risk. Prioritize your family's safety by making swimming an essential life skill. The Bryan Parks and Recreation Department is devoted to teaching people to swim correctly, safely, and confidently. We have swim lessons available for ages six months to adults.

**View complete details and register:**

**[bryantx.gov/pools](https://bryantx.gov/pools)**  
**979-209-5528**

*Here's a look at the schedule:*

## SPRING LESSONS

**Ages:** 3 – 16

**Fee:** Resident: \$40 / Non-Resident: \$50

**Location:** Bryan Aquatic Center

**Session 1: April 8 – 19**

**Session 2: April 29 – May 10**

## SUMMER LESSONS

**Ages:** 6 months+

**Fee:** Resident: \$40 / Non-Resident: \$50

**Locations:** Bryan Aquatic Center and  
Sadie Thomas Pool

**Session 1: June 3 – 14**

**Session 2: June 17 – 28**

**Session 3: July 8 – 19**

**Session 4: July 22 – Aug. 2**

# Household Hazardous Waste & Computer Collection Event

## APRIL 20



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Brazos County residents are invited to participate in the Twin Oaks Landfill's Household Hazardous Waste and Computer Collection event on **Saturday, April 20, from 7 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Texas A&M University Services Building**. The entrance to the facility is on Harvey Road, east of Veterans Park and Athletic Complex.

This event is free and will be held rain or shine. Accepted items include aerosol cans, automobile fluids, batteries, computers, cooking oil, cleaning agents, light bulbs, oil and filters, paint, chemicals, and televisions. You can also donate new or gently-used children's books and blankets to the United Way

of the Brazos Valley's Books and a Blanket program. Items not accepted are medications, household garbage, appliances/freon-containing units, tires, ammunition, 55-gallon drums, sharp needles, and business-generated waste.

Bring your household materials in the original containers with labels intact, and do not mix products. Label materials not in the original packages and secure them to prevent tipping or leaking. Products should be placed in the trunk or bed of your vehicle, not in the passenger area. You must also stay in your vehicle while staff members unload your items.

**Learn more:**

**[twinoakslandfill.com/hhw](http://twinoakslandfill.com/hhw) | 979-764-3832**



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