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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 | April 19, 2023

Approval of a Contract for Design of Distribution Facilities

The Board approved a contract with McCord Engineering, Inc. for the design of distribution facilities to accommodate TxDOT's Hwy 6 expansion project.



BRYAN TEXAS UTILITIES KIOSKS

WAYS TO PAY **CASH** **CHECK** **CARD**

Bring your BTU account number, BTU bill, keycard or reminder letter. Payments can be made 24 hours a day via the "e-payment" option by calling 979.821.5700. Account number and credit card required.

BILL PAYMENT LOCATIONS

- BTU Drive Thru** – 205 E. 28th St. (Open 24 Hours)
- HEB Grocery** – Tejas Center on Villa Maria
- HEB Grocery** – Texas Ave. & Hwy 21

MOVE OVER, SLOW DOWN

IT'S
THE LAW

Bryan Texas Utilities wants to remind the public to be safe and mindful when driving near utility crews and utility vehicles when they are restoring power in the area. If you see a BTU vehicle on the side of the road, please move over into the farthest lane and slow down.



Texas's Move Over, Slow Down law states that drivers must move out of the lane closest to the utility vehicle when possible, or slow down to 20 miles per hour below the posted speed limit.

This includes moving over or slowing down when approaching vehicles that are stopped with flashing amber or a combination of amber and blue lights. On roadways with posted speed limits of less than 25 miles per hour, drivers must reduce their speed to 5 miles per hour (Texas Transportation Code 545.157).

Safety is of utmost importance to BTU, and we need the support of the community to ensure every employee goes home safely at the end of each day. Please help us achieve this goal by observing the "Move Over/Slow Down" Law and by carefully navigating around working crews and vehicles.





Readers to the ready

The Bryan + College Station Public Library System's 2023 Summer Reading Program is here! Readers of all ages are invited to sign up for free to enjoy the 30-day reading challenge, contests, events and programs throughout June and July.

There are four different levels based on your age so you will have a tailored program experience:

Early Literacy: ages 5 and under

Children: ages 6-12

Teen: ages 13-17

Adult: ages 18 and up



You can read whatever you like! Through the program's online portal, you'll track your reading days, get to leave book reviews, earn badges and much more.

Learn more and register today by visiting:
BCSLibrary.org/summer



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NOW HIRING







ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A JOB?
We have a variety of opportunities available!

Check out **BryanTXjobs.com** to view all positions and to apply.



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The Good Life, Texas Style.™

LOOKING FOR MORE SUMMER FUN?

Check out these events brought to you by the City of Bryan's Parks and Recreation Department.

Park Hudson Trail

Sensory Friendly Swim Days

Every Wednesday from June 7 – Aug. 2 | Noon - 5 p.m.
Sadie Thomas Pool

Admission rates apply and capacity will be limited.

Sadie Thomas Pool

World's Largest Swim Lesson

Thursday, June 22 | 1 - 2 p.m.

Bryan Aquatic Center

Free admission. Help us break a world record and bring awareness to the importance of water safety! Participants can swim for free as well after the event.

Bryan Aquatic Center

First Responders, Frontline Workers and Military Appreciation Day

Tuesday, July 4 | 1 - 7 p.m.

Show your valid badge/ID to receive free admission to any City of Bryan pool.

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CITY OF BRYAN PARKS AND RECREATION

DRIVE-IN MOVIE

THE GOONIES

Friday,
July 14

6 - 10 p.m.

Bryan Regional
Athletic Complex

\$5 per
vehicle

Prior to the film, there will be activities and food trucks. Coolers are allowed, but no glass or alcohol.

Visit BryanTX.gov/Parks for more programs and details.





HURRICANE SEASON

**BEGINS JUNE 1
IN THE UNITED STATES**

The best time to prepare for a hurricane is well before one is forecasted. Learn the differences between watches, warnings and what different alerts mean with this information from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the National Weather Service (NWS).



HURRICANES

In general, a Watch means impacts are possible while a Warning means impacts are expected or are currently happening.

A Hurricane Watch means hurricane conditions are possible somewhere within the watch area, beginning within the next 48 hours. Prepare by boarding up windows and moving loose items indoors, and make sure your emergency kit is ready.

A Hurricane Warning means hurricane conditions are expected somewhere within the warning area, with tropical-storm-force winds beginning within 36 hours. Seek shelter in a sturdy structure or evacuate if ordered.

TROPICAL STORMS

A Tropical Storm Watch means tropical storm conditions are possible within the next 48 hours and a Tropical Storm Warning means conditions are expected somewhere within the warning area. It is important to remember that tropical systems do not need to reach hurricane status in order to cause damage.





STORM SURGE

A Storm Surge Watch means the possibility of life-threatening water inundation generally within 48 hours. A Storm Surge Warning means the danger of life-threatening water inundation exists generally within 36 hours. In either case, promptly follow evacuation orders and other instructions from local officials.

EXTREME WIND

An Extreme Wind Warning means extreme hurricane winds (115 mph+) are imminent or happening: take immediate shelter in an interior portion of a well-built structure.

FLOODING

A Flood Watch means flooding is possible: stay tuned to trusted news sources and be ready to seek higher ground. A Flood Warning means flooding is happening or about to happen: move to higher ground immediately.

A Flash Flood Warning means dangerous flash flooding is expected: move to higher ground, and never walk or drive through floodwater. A Flash Flood Emergency is issued for exceedingly rare situations when a severe threat to human life and catastrophic damage is happening or about to happen — do NOT attempt to travel unless you are under an evacuation order or your life is imminently at risk.

TORNADOES

A Tornado Watch means a tornado is possible: know your safe place and be ready to act quickly if a Warning is issued. A Tornado Warning means a tornado is happening or about to happen - immediately seek shelter in your safe place!

Do not focus on a specific storm category; all hurricanes and tropical storms can bring life-threatening storm surge, inland flooding, and damaging winds. The storm's scale only tells you about the strongest winds near the center of the storm and does not tell you about potentially life-threatening flooding from storm surge or rain. Remain vigilant even if the winds have weakened and the storm is downgraded to a lower category or tropical storm — rainfall and storm surge impacts often continue.



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Never use a generator indoors, including the garage or even near open windows

—carbon monoxide poisoning from the exhaust, fire, and electrocution are all risks.



READY OR NOT, HERE COMES SUMMER!

Follow these tips and tricks to enjoy more of your summer, improve the comfort of your home, and lower your energy usage.

1 Block sun on south and west facing windows and walls.

- A** Plant trees or bushes with proper clearance from your home and utility lines to shade windows, keeping the sun from heating your home.
- B** Install window blinds, drapes or shades and keep them drawn during hot summer days.
- C** Install solar screens to the outside of windows to reflect up to 90 percent of the sun's heating rays. Solar screens are also eligible for BTU's SmartHOME Rebate Program. Eligible projects can receive 10 to 25 percent of the total project costs back.



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Avoid adding unnecessary heat and humidity to your home.

- A** Run heat producing appliances like the washing machines, dryers and dishwashers in the early morning or late evening hours to avoid heating your home during the warmest parts of the day.
- B** Take advantage of the summer heat by air drying laundry.
- C** Avoid cooking in the oven or on the stovetop. Instead, opt for grilling outside, using an air fryer, or a slow cooker. These methods use less energy and produce less heat and humidity for your air conditioner to have to battle against.





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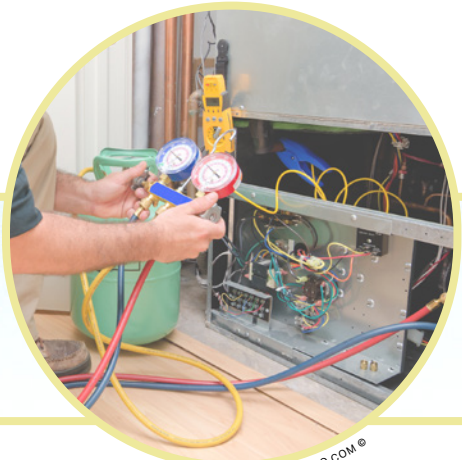


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Take care of your air conditioner.

- A** Regularly maintain your air conditioner by changing the air filters as recommended by the manufacturer.
- B** Schedule inspection and service by a professional at least twice per year, once before each of the major heating and cooling seasons.
- C** Invest in a programmable thermostat so you can set your preferred temperature to match your family's schedule and save money.



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Get creative.

- A** Instead of staying at home and trying to stay cool, take the family to enjoy the pool, splash pad or the lake to cool off.
- B** Try going to a place that will already be air conditioned like the mall, the library or the movies.