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Regular Board of Directors MEETING NOTES February 9, 2026

Presentation of Fiscal Year 2025 BTU Financial Audit

Ms. Laura Lambert of Weaver and Tidwell, LLP reviewed the FY25 audit report and informed the Board that the BTU financials received a clean opinion and that there were no material weaknesses to report in the City or Rural audited financials.

Approval for the Purchase and Installation of New Lake Bryan Restrooms

The Board approved a contract with CXT Inc. for the purchase and installation of new prefabricated concrete restroom facilities for Lake Bryan.

Mutual Aid During Winter Storm Fern

General Manager Gary Miller informed the Board that BTU responded to a mutual aid request from the City of Timpson, Texas and released one contract crew to assist in storm restoration in response to Winter Storm Fern.

BTU BILL PAYMENT OPTIONS

KIOSKS

Locations accepting credit cards, cash and checks:

HEB	1609 N. Texas Ave.
HEB	725 E. Villa Maria
BTU Drive-Through <i>Open 24 hours</i>	200 E. 29th St.
BTU Drive-Through <i>Open 24 hours</i>	2611 N. Earl Rudder Fwy

Bring your BTU account number, BTU bill, keycard or reminder letter.

OVER THE PHONE

Payments can be made 24 hours a day via the “e-payment” option by calling 979.821.5700. Account number and credit card required.

ONLINE

To register your account, view, and/or pay your bill online, visit:

btutilities.com

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

YOUR MONTHLY BTU BILL WILL SOON HAVE A FRESH NEW LOOK!

BTU THE DIFFERENCE IS YOU

Bryan Texas Utilities
P.O. BOX 8000
Bryan, TX 77805-8000
(979) 821-5700
Mon-Fri 8:00am - 5:00pm

ACCOUNT INFORMATION
Account Number (Cycle 19) 1234567
Customer Name JANE DOE
Invoice Date 12/30/2026
Due Date 01/20/2026

TOTAL CHARGES \$181.00
Previous Balance -\$181.00
Payments \$0.00
Adjustments \$0.00
Penalties \$0.00
Deposits \$0.00
Fees
Total Balance Forward \$74.22
New Charges \$24.60
Electric \$55.13
Water \$0.83
Other Services \$2.22
PowerShare Donation \$157.00
Tax
Total New Charges \$157.00
Total Amount Due \$157.00
See reverse for detail.

IMPORTANT MESSAGES
Service periods shown on the bill are actual meter reading dates.
Wrap up the year with energy savings! Use LED holiday lights to brighten your home for less. They are 75% more efficient and last up to 25% longer than traditional incandescent lights

PAID BY DRAFT

BRYAN TEXAS UTILITIES
P.O. Box 8000
Bryan, Texas 77805-8000

JANE DOE
123 MAIN STREET
BRYAN, TX 77801

2420429
Account Number (Cycle 19) 2420429
Total Amount Due \$157.00
Amount Due after 01/20/2026 \$164.70
Disconnect Date 02/09/2026

Please include this stub with payment

2420429000002601200001570000001647001097

Waste Charge: The cost of water delivery and consumption (gallons).
Drainage/Transportation Charge: The cost of garbage collection and disposal.
Wastewater Charge: The cost of sewage collection and treatment.
Security Light Charge: The flat fee for security light(s) on the property.
Tax: Charged by local and state taxing entities.

ADDRESS 123 MAIN ST

Service Period	No. of Days	Meter No.	Previous Reading	Current Reading	Multiplier	Consumption
11/18/25 - 12/19/25	31	171016	5386	54515	1	679 kWh
11/18/25 - 12/19/25	31	CO863670	6630	6684	1	5400 Gals

LOCATION CLASS Residential

Electric Consumption Meter no 171016

Water Consumption Meter no CO863670

Electric **Water** **Other Service**

Charge
Recovery
Recovery
Charges
ES
\$11.00
\$25.67
\$24.31
\$13.24
\$74.22
\$0.70
\$14.90
\$24.60
\$13.50
\$14.00
\$27.63
\$55.13
\$157.00
\$0.00
\$157.00

Designed with transparency and clarity in mind, the updated BTU bill print will feature greater insights on your monthly usage, a clean, easy to follow format, and itemized charges with clear definitions so you know exactly where your hard-earned money is going.

BTU customers will see these changes coming soon.

For more information and to explore the new bill, visit
btutilities.com/newbill





APRIL IS LINEMAN APPRECIATION MONTH

You've probably seen BTU linemen in neighborhoods across our community working from bucket trucks, climbing poles, or responding to outages at all hours of the day and night. While they don't often seek out the spotlight, they are on the frontlines of our operation and essential to making our everyday conveniences powered by electricity possible. As we recognize Lineman Appreciation Month, it's time to shine a spotlight on the ones who keep our community powered, no matter the conditions.





The job requires technical precision, constant awareness, and an unwavering commitment to safety. From handling high-voltage equipment to navigating complex electrical systems, linemen operate in environments where there is little room for error. Every task, from routine maintenance to emergency repairs, begins with a job safety briefing to ensure the protection of crew members and the public.

The work itself is physically demanding. Linemen routinely carry heavy tools and protective gear while often working far above the ground. Some days involve replacing aging infrastructure or installing new service lines; others bring unexpected challenges that turn a simple call into hours of troubleshooting. Conditions can change quickly, and adaptability is critical. Heat, cold, wind, and rain are all part of the job, and the work doesn't stop just because the weather turns severe.

Preparation and training are what make this work possible. Linemen spend years learning the trade through a combination of classroom instruction and hands-on experience. Apprentices start on the ground, learning equipment, materials, and safety fundamentals before advancing to overhead and underground work. Over time, they build the skills and confidence required to expand responsibilities while still relying on their crew. These crews are more than just coworkers, they are a brotherhood that helps ensure every member of the team gets home safely each day.

While most people hunker down as severe weather of all types occurs, linemen face the challenge of rain, heat, freezing temperatures, and severe thunderstorms head-on. When outages occur, crews are mobilized quickly, often working long shifts until power is restored. That means time away from family, missed plans, and answering the call at a moment's notice. It's all part of the job, and their service to the community helps us recover from emergencies quickly.

BTU linemen maintain 2,500 miles of distribution lines and 200 miles of transmission lines across a 650 sq mile service territory, ensuring reliable power for homes, businesses, hospitals, and schools. Their work supports everything from daily routines to critical emergency services, forming the backbone of our community's quality of life.

Line work may not always be seen, but it is always felt. It's a career built on responsibility, resilience, and pride in serving others. This month, and every month, we extend our sincere thanks to the linemen who keep the lights on and the power flowing. The next time you see a lineman in the field, a simple thank-you is a meaningful way to show appreciation for the vital work they do every day.





HOW TO: CONDUCT A DIY HOME ENERGY AUDIT

As costs continue to rise on food, household essentials, housing, and everything in-between, finding ways to save on your monthly expenses, like utility bills, is becoming more and more essential.

If you are turning off lights when not in use, shortening time in the shower, and following other best practices for energy and water conservation but still not seeing the results on your monthly bill, it may be time to conduct a home energy audit.

A home energy audit is a process where you analyze your energy consumption, assess your entire home for ways to improve efficiency, and take action to ensure you are finding the optimized combination of efficiency and comfort. Many businesses offer this service at a cost, but you don't have to be a detective, or a trained professional, to find some of the most obvious areas for improvement.

HERE'S HOW TO GET STARTED:

UNDERSTAND YOUR CURRENT USAGE

Before beginning any analysis or improvements, it is important to understand your current usage. You can find a high-level overview on your BTU bill, and compare it to previous months via your online customer portal. This is your baseline usage data, and will represent the benchmark for future improvement.

These numbers are helpful as a starting point, but even more helpful when put in the context of your individual home – after all, you are trying to find what is causing your usage to be higher! To help build on the context, spend some time taking note of usage trends in your home by asking yourself good questions. Does it seem like your A/C unit is running constantly? Do your family members or roommates leave lights or appliances running when not in use? Do certain rooms in your home feel warmer or cooler than others? These questions, and more, are great starting points before beginning your audit in full.



START WITH LOW-COST IMPROVEMENTS

Sometimes the keys to creating a more energy efficient home are obvious. A great place to begin is inspecting your doors, windows, and walls for gaps, cracks, and holes that are causing air to escape your home. If you have a fireplace, don't forget to check the damper. Up to 10-20% of conditioned air could escape your home because of a rusted or loose-fitting damper. Finally, rather than letting electronics and appliances use energy in standby mode, plug them into power strips and switch them off to save up to 10% on your electric costs.



MOVE TO FIXES WITH A LARGER POTENTIAL INVESTMENT

As essential appliances and elements in your home age, they naturally become less efficient. You should inspect your A/C and water heater regularly to ensure they are running properly, and consult a professional for maintenance as needed. Additionally, check to make sure your large appliances are still in good working condition. If you are having to run your dryer multiple times, or if your refrigerator is struggling to keep a cold temperature, it could be time for repairs or replacement.



Finally, inspect the insulation in your attic and the windows around your home, especially if your home is older and they have not been inspected or replaced in some time. Adding more insulation to your attic floor helps keep your home warm in the winter and cool in the summer, and modern Energy Star® rated windows can reduce heating and cooling costs by 12-33%, according to experts.

These repairs may be costly, but qualifying insulation and window replacement projects, as well as adding solar screens, could receive a 10-25% rebate through BTU's SmartHOME program!

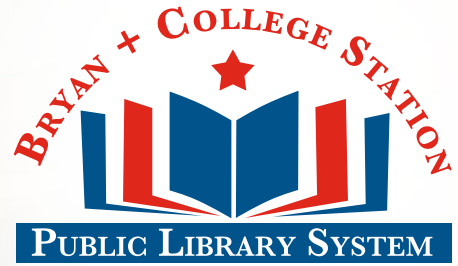
Visit btutilities.com/smarthome for more details.



DEVELOP AN ACTION PLAN

After conducting your audit, make a plan of action to implement goals. Try starting with some of the more easily achievable goals, evaluate your savings, and move forward with further projects as necessary. For more complicated tasks, consider hiring a professional to prevent even more costly damage.

A home energy audit is a great start to a savings journey, and you can follow along with BTU throughout the year for more tips on saving energy without sacrificing too much comfort!



The Bryan + College Station Public Library System has many great and free opportunities for all ages to celebrate the joy of reading, and the authors who provide us with such great escapes and learning adventures.

CLARA B. MOUNCE
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Clara B. Mounce Public Library

Books by the authors will be available for purchase during the below events through Hyperbole Bookstore, with 10% of the proceeds benefitting the Friends of the Library to help support the BCS Library System.



BRAZOS VALLEY
**Children's
Literary
Festival**
OPEN A BOOK,
OPEN A WORLD

Saturday, April 11 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Larry J. Ringer Library

Free admission!

Enjoy a fun-filled day with renowned authors, engaging presentations, book signings, creative arts and crafts, face painting and more. Don't miss this community celebration of literacy!

Event Highlights:

Meet Renowned Authors: Live readings and presentations.

Creative Fun: Arts, crafts, face painting, balloon art, MerMaid Megan.

Literary Joy: Book sales and signings, fostering imagination.

Community Non-Profit: Visit local organizations promoting literacy and child development.

MAIN STAGE AUTHOR LINEUP

Eliza Kinkz

Performance: 9:30 a.m. | Book Signing: 10:15 – 10:45 a.m.

Drew Brockington

Performance: 11 a.m. | Book Signing: 11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

David Schwartz

Performance: 12:30 p.m. | Book Signing: 1:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

MORE AUTHORS

Beyond the main stage, the following writers will be at booths ready to chat and sign your book.

- Darlene P. Campos
- Adrianna Cuevas
- Shanna Upchurch

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Larry J. Ringer Library

Carnegie History Center

2026 AUTHOR SERIES

Each event includes an author presentation, Q&A and book signing. The first 50 people to register and attend each event will receive a free book. Doors open no later than 30 minutes prior to the start of each event.

The Author Series is free to attend, but registration is required. Events are made possible with support of the Friends of the Library.

David Baron

Wednesday, April 15, at 5:30 p.m.

Clara B. Mounce Public Library

Featured Book: "The Martians: The True Story of an Alien Craze That Captured Turn-of-the-Century America"

Yangsze Choo

Wednesday, May 6, at 6 p.m.

Larry J. Ringer Library

Featured Book: "The Fox Wife"

Darcie Little Badger

Thursday, June 18, at 5:30 p.m.

Clara B. Mounce Public Library

Featured Book: "Elatsoe"

Katherine Center

Saturday, July 18, at 2 p.m.

Larry J. Ringer Library

Featured Book: "The Shippers"

Annie Hartnett

Saturday, Aug. 22, at 2 p.m.

Clara B. Mounce Public Library

Featured Book: "The Road to Tender Hearts"

Amanda Churchill

Wednesday, Sept. 16, at 5:30 p.m.

Clara B. Mounce Public Library

Featured Book: "The Turtle House"

Sarah Beth Durst

Wednesday, Oct. 14, at 6 p.m.

Larry J. Ringer Library

Featured Book: "The Spellshop"

Elle Cosimano

Wednesday, Nov. 4, at 6 p.m.

Larry J. Ringer Library

Featured Book: "Finlay Donovan is Killing It"

bcslibrary.org/AuthorSeries

LIBRARY ADDRESSES

Clara B. Mounce Public Library
201 E. 26th St.
Bryan, TX 77803

Larry J. Ringer Library
1818 Harvey Mitchell Pkwy S.
College Station, TX 77845

Carnegie History Center
111 S. Main St.
Bryan, TX 77803

Learn more about these events and even more programs and activities happening at a library near you. bcslibrary.org