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Regular Board of Directors MEETING NOTES

November 10, 2025

Design and Staking for BTU FY27 Capital Improvement Projects

The Board approved separate professional services contracts for the design and staking for BTU FY27 capital improvement projects with M&S Engineering, Heart of Texas Utility Design, and McCord Engineering.

Professional Services Contract for Routing and CCN Support for the 345kV Project

The Board approved a contract with HDR Engineering, Inc. of Dallas, TX for routing and CCN support associated with the 345kV interconnection project.

Amendment to Professional Services Contract for TXDOT SH6 Project

The Board approved a contract amendment for a professional services contract with McCord Engineering related to TXDOT's SH6 project.

Renewal of Line Clearance/Tree Trimming Contract for FY26

The Board approved the renewal of a contract with Nelson Tree Service, Inc. for FY26 after Nelson satisfactorily performed line clearance and tree trimming services during FY25.

Construction of a Transmission Warehouse Storage Building

The Board approved a contract with Aggieland Construction for the construction of a transmission warehouse storage building, which will be located at the corner of Union Street and Northern Street.



BRYAN TEXAS UTILITIES

2611 N. Earl Rudder Fwy, Bryan, TX 77803
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Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday, 8 AM - 5 PM

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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

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 Open 24 hours	200 E. 29th St.
BTU Drive-Through Open 24 hours	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



2026 Government-in-Action YOUTH TOUR

Applications are
NOW OPEN!

The When

Applications are currently being accepted
through February 6, 2026.
The trip will take place June 14-21, 2026.

The Where

Students from Texas travel by chartered flight to Washington D.C. for a week of fun-filled days touring attractions and historical sites.

The Who

Three local high school students will be chosen as winners for the trip. To be eligible, students must be a sophomore, junior, or senior in high school and either live in or attend school in the BTU service territory.

The Why

The idea to send students to Washington D.C. came from President Lyndon B. Johnson, a Texan who advocated for rural electrification and youth development. In 1957, when he was still a U.S. senator, Johnson suggested "sending youngsters to the national capital where they can actually see what the flag stands for and represents."

This notion evolved in the 1960s into a nationwide effort to send young people on organized, fun and educational trips to the nation's capital. Today, electric utilities from nearly every state send more than 1,500 youths to Washington D.C. each June. Since 1965, more than 50,000 students have toured the capital thanks to their local utilities.

Bryan Texas Utilities (BTU) is committed to powering and empowering the community we serve, and that means providing more than electricity. BTU also works to improve quality of life in the Brazos Valley, which includes investing in the area's young people. We are working to shape tomorrow's leaders by proudly sponsoring three local high school students to attend the Government-in-Action Youth Tour.

Apply online today at btutilities.com/youthtour

NEW YEAR ENERGY RESOLUTIONS

Everyone loves to make a resolution this time of year, but did you know that studies show up to 80% of them fail by February?

Rather than going to the gym for two weeks before calling it quits again, here are some attainable energy-focused resolutions that will save you money and power good energy habits in 2026!



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Make Needed Repairs and Get Rewarded

With BTU's SmartHOME program, customers can upgrade their home's energy efficiency and receive a rebate towards costs. By installing new ENERGY STAR-rated windows, upgrading insulation, or installing solar screens on windows, you can reduce monthly energy costs without sacrificing comfort. Visit btutilities.com/smarthome for more information.

Commit to Renewability

Want to go green in 2026? You can still enjoy the reliability of BTU's service while lowering your carbon footprint through our RENEWability program! RENEWability is a rate-rider program that allows residential and commercial customers to receive 100% of their power from renewable sources, such as wind and solar, for a small extra charge. Visit btutilities.com/renewability for more information.



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Gamify Good Habits

Turning energy-saving changes like turning off lights and unplugging unused electronics into a game is a fun way to keep the whole family engaged and excited about reaching your goals. Whether it's picking the restaurant, adding an allowance bonus, or something else your family will appreciate, it will be sure to add buy-in and accountability!



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Assess Your True Energy Needs

Do you really need that extra fridge in the garage? What about that extra, maybe dangerously, hot water for your shower? Getting serious about saving means making some sacrifices, but you don't have to do without something you truly need!



Give a Little to Make a Big Impact

Did you know you can add a small donation to your monthly bill that helps your neighbors keep their lights on? When you sign up for BTU's PowerShare program, you can round up the change on your monthly bill or set a donation amount of your choosing. All collections stay in the BTU service area, so you can trust that your full donation amount will go directly to those in need. Learn more at btutilities.com/powershare.

PRE-FREEZE CHECKLIST

Winter Storm Season is here. Homeowners and renters alike need to stay weather aware and make sure their homes are ready for freezing temperatures. Damage due to busted pipes, ice accumulation, and heater malfunctions are just some of the hazards that could arise.

Here are some things to keep in mind so that your loved ones and property stay safe!

Before a freeze is in the forecast:

- Have emergency supplies like nonperishable food, water, batteries, and necessary medications on-hand
- Take note of exterior faucets, pipes, and any other spots on your home that might be vulnerable to freezing temperatures
- Eliminate drafts and other spots where cold air is leaking in, especially near pipes
- Monitor weather conditions and forecasts from reliable sources

When a freeze is in the forecast:

- Wrap pipes that are outside or in unheated areas of your home
- Remove water hoses
- Drain and turn off your irrigation system
- If you are planning to leave your home for an extended time, turn off the water at the shutoff valve and leave your heat on

During and immediately following a freeze:

- Open cabinets under sinks and let indoor faucets drip from the hot and cold taps. Don't forget bathtubs and showers!
- Inspect your home for leaks or pipe bursts as soon as it is safe to do so
- If a pipe has frozen, you may be able to thaw it with a hair dryer or portable heater. Turn off the water at the main water valve before attempting to thaw
- If a pipe is leaking or has burst, shut off the water at the main water valve and consult a professional
- Check your home and roof for damage caused by ice accumulation



If a power outage occurs, report it to BTU by texting OUT to 979-821-5700 and track restoration at outages.btutilities.com.



BTU *Year-in-Review*

New calendar years give us a chance to reflect, and 2025 was filled with growth, challenges, and new foundations for BTU. Through it all, we were proud to continue our mission of improving the quality of life in our community by providing exceptional reliability and excellent customer service at competitive and stable rates. As we turn the page to 2026, here's a look back on BTU's biggest highlights of the past year!

JANUARY



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The public saw BTU's new Administration Building for the first time at a B/CS Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting and open house on January 28. The building opened for daily operations on February 10.

APRIL



BTU received the Diamond Level Safety Award of Excellence from the American Public Power Association for 2024. This award underscores BTU's unwavering commitment to the safety of employees and the public.

FEBRUARY

BTU lineman apprentices tested their skills at our Lineman Rodeo.

MARCH

The BTU Board received a report on the impact of BTU's safety culture over the last ten years. The report concluded that the employee-led culture has improved participation and greatly reduced injuries.



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Contracts were approved by the BTU Board for concrete poles for the Brushy Creek 138kV transmission line and the construction of distribution facilities at the Steele Store Substation.

JUNE

BTU General Manager Gary Miller received the James D. Donovan Individual Achievement Award from the American Public Power Association.

BTU sponsored three local students on the Government-in-Action Youth Tour. This included an all-expenses paid trip to Washington D.C. where they toured landmarks, met with congressional leaders, and connected with students from across the country while learning about the power of public service and civic engagement.

JULY



Six BTU linemen answered the call to assist the Kerrville Public Utility Board with power restoration following the devastating July 4th floods.

BTU employees participated in our first-ever blood drive, organized by the BTU Community Involvement Committee in partnership with the Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center.

AUGUST

The BTU Board approved a contract for the engineering and design of the RELLIS Station 138kV capacitor banks project. This project will support the anticipated growth of the RELLIS campus over the next decade and beyond.

SEPTEMBER

BTU honored employees that reached service milestones at our annual Service Awards Banquet.

OCTOBER

The new fiscal year began for BTU, bringing with it a bevy of new projects as we build for the future.

Mr. Pete J. Bienski, Jr. assumed the role of BTU Board Chair, Mr. Paul Madison, Sr. assumed the role of Vice Chair, and Mr. John A. Bond assumed the role of Secretary.

BTU joined public power providers around the country in celebrating Public Power Week from Oct. 5-12.

NOVEMBER



BTU's efforts to modernize our website earned the American Public Power Association's Award of Excellence in Web & Social Media for like-sized utilities.

DECEMBER

BTU Employees participated in the 30th Annual Food for Families Food Drive.

The First Annual Powering the Holidays Christmas Light Contest, presented by BTU was held.



MORE THAN A SHELTER:

SUPPORTING PETS AND THEIR PEOPLE



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The Bryan Animal Center is more than a shelter. It is a place where animals find safety, people find companionship, and the community finds resources that support responsible pet ownership. Whether you are looking to adopt, volunteer, foster, or help in other ways, the center offers many opportunities to make a difference.

Adoptions

Give a homeless animal a second chance through adoption. Every adoption includes spay or neuter surgery, a microchip, first round of basic vaccinations, a sample of Hill's Science Diet food and a toy for your new companion. Dogs also receive a heartworm test if old enough, and cats receive FELV and FIV testing. Adoption specials are offered throughout the year.



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Spay and Neuter Vouchers

Residents who live within Bryan city limits may apply for free spay and neuter vouchers. Proof of residency is required, and households may receive up to four vouchers per year.

Microchipping

A microchip provides a permanent form of identification for your pet. Implanting the chip takes only seconds and costs \$10, which includes national registration. Microchips do not track your pet. They simply help reunite lost pets with their owners.



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Brazos County Pet Tags

By law, all dogs, cats, and ferrets living in Brazos County must have a current county license tag. Tags cost \$15 per year and require proof of a valid rabies vaccination.

Foster

Fostering gives animals a break from the shelter and helps them recover, grow, and become better socialized before adoption. Foster homes are needed for pregnant/nursing mothers, bottle babies, and animals with medical or behavioral needs. Supplies, food, and medical care are provided.



Volunteer

Anyone over the age of 14 is invited to volunteer to help with a variety of chores around the Bryan Animal Center. Volunteers help with socializing pets, walking dogs, attending events, photographing animals, and supporting daily care. Time commitments are flexible.

Donate

There are multiple ways that you can make a donation to help animals in need. The Bryan Animal Center accepts monetary donations, accepts in-person items, and has an Amazon Wishlist.

SAVE THE DATE

FREE MICROCHIP AND RABIES VACCINATION EVENTS

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

**All events take place from 8 a.m. to noon
on the following Saturdays:**

March 14

Tanglewood Park (3901 Carter Creek Parkway)

May 9

Austin's Colony Park (2400 Austins Colony Parkway)

Aug. 8

Sadie Thomas Park (129 Moss Street)

Participants must bring a valid photo ID and proof of residency within Bryan city limits, such as a BTU bill, lease agreement, or other utility bill. The event is limited to four pets per household. All pets must be on a leash or in a crate or kennel. Supplies are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Pre-registration is required before the event. Walk-ups are not accepted.

Bryan Animal Center

2207 Finfeather Road, Bryan, Texas 77801

Phone: 979-209-5260

Hours:

Monday: Noon - 4 p.m. for lost pets and reclaiming only

Tuesday - Friday: Noon - 6 p.m.

Saturday: Noon - 4 p.m.

BryanAnimalCenter.com



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