

Minutes

Regular Board of Directors Meeting Notes

November 13, 2017

Safety Report

Ray Berger, Safety and Training Officer, reported that BTU had no recordable incidents and one at fault vehicle incident for the month of October. New employees are scheduled to attend the "Safety Culture Excellence Workshop" (SCEW) and the "Speak Up, Listen Up" (SULU) sessions. The Continuous Improvement Team (CIT) 4 has implemented a vehicle walk around requirement, "take 30 to do a 360", for all BTU staff as part of their vehicle safety initiative.

Presentation Regarding Proposed Routings for the Snook Substation to Steele Store Substation Transmission Line

Randy Trimble, Executive Director of Energy Delivery, discussed the need for additional transmission infrastructure in the western part of BTU's service territory identified through system-planning studies. This additional transmission capacity would support anticipated load growth in the area and improve electric reliability. Mr. Trimble presented several alternative routes and discussed the pros and cons of each, including estimated costs and completion time.

Financial Report

Joe Hegwood, Chief Financial Officer, presented the end of year financial report for Fiscal Year 2017. BTU's O&M and capital spending were under budget for the year. Two major budgeted capital projects were not started in 2017 as expected and have been pushed to subsequent years for completion.

General Manager's Report

Mr. Miller stated that the Lt. Governor's office has filed an "Interim Charge" to the Senate Business and Commerce Committee on electricity deregulation for discussion during the next special session of the Texas Legislature. The discussion will likely include whether or not Municipally Owned Utilities and Electric Cooperatives should be required to opt-in to retail deregulation.

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Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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(979) 821-5770

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- **1. It's free.** BTU completely covers the cost of Youth Tour for all three contest winners. Winners need only bring money for souvenirs and any additional snacks they may want.
- **2. It's fun.** You'll spend days touring the most popular attractions in D.C. including memorials, monuments, and museums. You will go on a dinner and dancing cruise on the Potomac River, attend a performance at the Kennedy Center, and explore a historic city. It's a once-in-a-lifetime experience that you don't want to miss!
- **3. You get to travel.** You get to leave your summer job, siblings, and routine behind for a 10-day trip!
- **4. You meet new people.** More than 1,700 teens from across the nation attend Youth Tour, including about 145 from Texas, sponsored by electric utility companies from all over the state. You will make new friends as you travel and experience the nation's capital with fellow students.
- **5. You get a classic American experience.** Washington, D.C. is a place like no other. It's rich in history and heritage. That's why Youth Tour was created more than 50 years ago, inspired by then Senator Lyndon B. Johnson, to give youth the opportunity to discover "what the flag stands for and represents."
- **6. You learn a lot.** You'll be surrounded by museums and attractions that focus on science, art, history, space, American culture, and so much more. There is a lot to take in, but you will return with a load of newfound knowledge.
- **7. You can gain leadership experience.** All Youth Tour participants can apply to be on the national Youth Leadership Council (YLC). One student is selected from each state to represent the state on the YLC and return to D.C. in July for a leadership workshop organized by the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association.

- **8. You can make your voice heard.** During Youth Tour, you'll get to spend a day on Capitol Hill and meet with your congressional representatives and their staff members. That means you will get face time with some of the most powerful people in the nation and an opportunity to talk about issues that are important to you and your community.
- **9. You can put Youth Tour on your college application and résumé.** If you're planning to continue your education after high school, Youth Tour can help make you stand out. It offers experiences that can shape your college application and essays, and your career path.
- **10. You connect with opportunity.** Youth Tour alumni are plugged into the community and are in a great position to learn about scholarships, internships, and jobs offered through their established network.

Did those 10 reasons convince you? To apply, eligible entrants must:

- Be a sophomore, junior, or senior at a public or private school;
- · Live in or go to school in BTU-served territory; and
- Submit an application and essay online.

Applications must be submitted online at btutilities.com by **Monday, February 5, 2018.**

For more information about the Government-in-Action Youth Tour visit our website, or contact Meagan Brown at 979-821-5859.

www.btutilities.com/government-in-action-youth-tour

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Did You Know?

There are multiple ways to pay your utility bill!

As a BTU customer, you have multiple options available on how to make your utility payment each month. It's never been easier, faster, or more convenient to check that off your list of things to do for the month.



When you visit www.btutilities.com, you can set up your personal payment profile, which allows you to set up recurring payments, schedule a specific day of the month to have your account automatically paid, opt into "Pay by Text", and sign up for E-Bill. You are also able to make a one-time payment without creating a payment profile. Creating an online account on the BTU site gives you access to view your daily consumption history, update your account information, and view your billing and payment history.

BTU's recently improved online system offers advanced security for your personal information, and step-by-step tutorials are available on our website to assist you with setting up your payment profile and payment preferences.



Our Interactive Voice Response (IVR) system allows you to make a payment by phone, even when our office is closed. When you call 979.821.5700, select your language preference, and press 1 for the E-Pay System. You will need your BTU account number and your credit or debit card information to complete your payment.

Our Customer Service Advocates are available Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 5 PM to assist you with any questions.



For your convenience, we have four payment kiosk locations around Bryan where you can pay your bill with cash or check. Visit our lobby during regular business hours, HEB at Texas Avenue and Highway 21, HEB at 725 E. Villa Maria, and 24 hours at the Texan Market located on the corner of Harvey Mitchell Parkway and Villa Maria. You will need your account number, bill, reminder letter, or keycard.



During normal office hours, our staff is happy to assist you in our lobby or drive-thru, located at 205 E. 28th Street in Bryan. You may also utilize our Night Drop Box for after-hours payments.

Quick Facts:

KIOSK LOCATIONS:

HEB - 1609 N. Texas Ave **HEB** - 725 E. Villa Maria

Texan Market - 457 N. Harvey Mitchell Pkwy 24 Hour Location

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If you're looking for ways to save money on your electric bill, a good place to start is evaluating the efficiency of your home. Checking the level of insulation in your attic and the quality of your windows are both great first steps.

INSULATION

If your attic insulation is old and deteriorating, it isn't serving you well. An R-30 is the recommended level to maintain in your attic to keep your home at maximum efficiency. The "R" value indicates the amount of thermal resistance to air flow so the higher the R-value, the greater the insulating effectiveness. For example, an R-30 value equals approximately 14 inches of blown in fiberglass, 9 inches of blown in cellulose, or 9 inches of fiberglass batt insulation. The type of insulation you install can be based on a number of factors, including budget. Consult with your preferred installer for more information.

By increasing the amount of insulation in your attic, you are helping to prevent conditioned air from escaping and the exterior temperature, whether hot or cold, from affecting the internal temperature of your home.

WINDOWS

Single pane windows allow much of the heated or conditioned air you're paying to pump into your home to escape. Gaps in weather stripping also allow this air to escape. This means your HVAC unit will run more frequently than it should to try and maintain your preferred temperature, costing you money and causing unnecessary wear on your HVAC unit. Updating windows to double paned, ENERGY STAR certified models is an investment that will keep you more comfortable and lower your energy usage.

Both of these measures qualify for the BTU SmartHOME program, which provides eligible customers an incentive payment of between 10 percent and 25 percent of their project cost for making the efficiency upgrades.

For more information on qualifying projects and how to apply, visit **www.btutilities.com**.

ENERGY SAVING TIPS

- 1 Setting your programmable thermostat is a great way to make sure you don't run your HVAC unit when you really don't need to do so. Just remember to update the temperature settings when the seasons change!
- Change your air filter monthly, especially during the hottest and coldest months of the year when you're using your HVAC system more. A dirty filter prevents the air from getting to your home and will make the unit run longer.
- Open the curtains in your home during colder days so the sun can help warm you for free!

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ATLAS Texas

An innovative, hospitality-driven development committed to health and wellness.





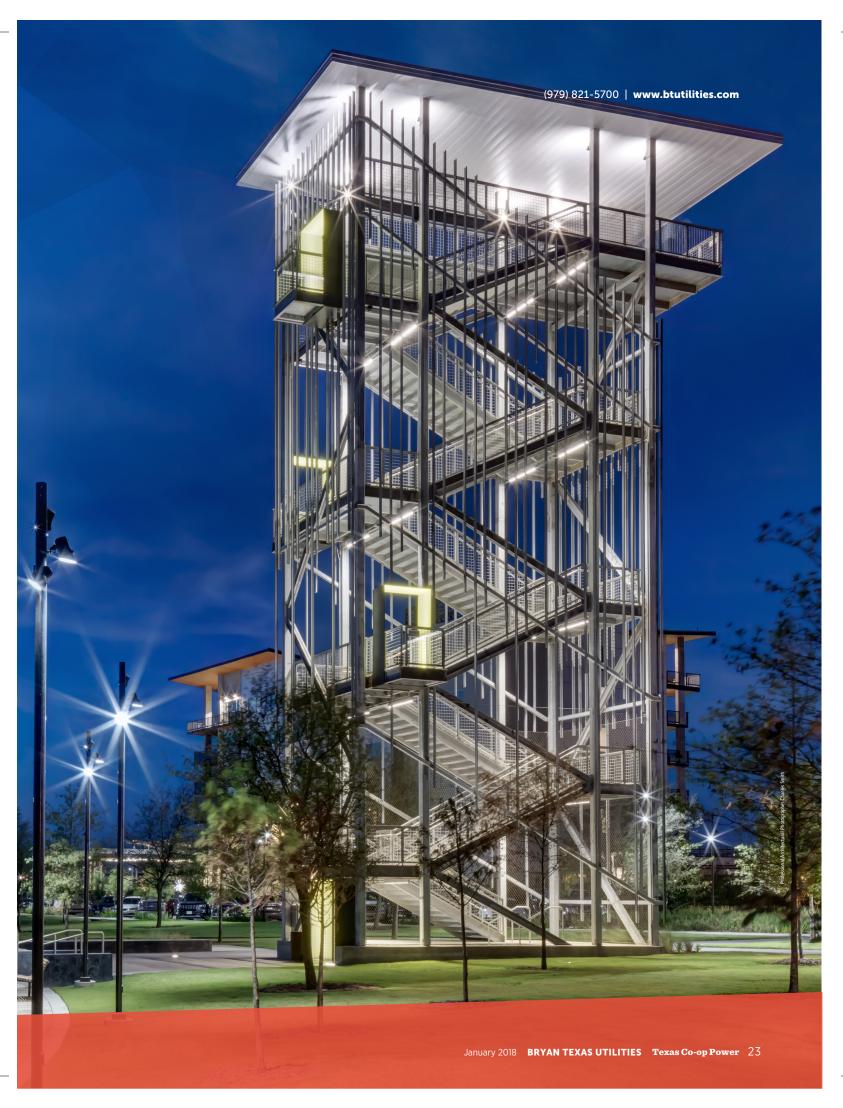
Defining a community as a premiere destination that balances all stages of life – young professionals, growing families, established families, and retirees – is no small feat but it is something the leaders of ATLAS have idealized, worked toward, and continue to strive for with each new piece of development.

Situated perfectly along the bio corridor from Downtown Bryan, Texas A&M University, and RELLIS Campus, this 1,000-acre master-planned community offers a way of life that focuses on health and wellness in every aspect. From the CHI St. Joseph MatureWell Center offering fitness memberships and the multi-use pathways spanning across each phase of the development to the companies engaged in manufacturing biologics, pharmaceuticals, and medical devices, this unique area of Bryan/College Station aspires to offer an attractive lifestyle perfect for each stage of life.



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Focused on creating a central location for attracting and retaining residents and companies seeking an innovative, fresh approach to everyday life, ATLAS is the commercial extension of the initial Traditions development. The investment in health and wellness is evident in each facet of the master-planned community. Whether you approach the central anchor, Lake Walk Town Center, from the residential development along Traditions Drive or from the bio corridor along Health Science Center Parkway, a sense of calm surrounds you. And notably, you can access each phase of development along the multiuse pathways. Someone who desires the ability to live within walking/biking distance from their job, enjoy live music, paddleboard on a 5-acre lake, shop a farmer's market, and enjoy dinner by a campfire without the fuss can have it all right here.

From the local's perspective, many are familiar with the Traditions Club and Community featuring planned landscape design, residential estates, and a Nicklaus-designed golf course that has served as home to the Texas A&M Men and Women golf teams since 2004. Within the last five years, residential properties available have been expanded to include garden homes, townhomes, and multi-family units. These properties have all been strategically developed with a keen awareness that ambitious professionals filling innovative career opportunities along the bio corridor are within close proximity, some even within walking/biking distance. This expansion and diversification in residential development directly ties into the health and wellness activities available to residents and visitors

alike. Activities range from free yoga classes each Saturday morning and free music concerts at Lake Walk to partnerships with local producers to host a Farmer's Market and Fit4Mom, a group focused on young mothers building friendships and maintaining an active lifestyle throughout motherhood.



With a growing population of seniors returning to the Bryan/College Station area, the Parc at Traditions opened its doors as a destination for those looking to enjoy their independence in a friendly, community setting. For families with elderly members in need of assisted living or even licensed memory care, this senior living community specializes in providing just that with a special investment in hospitality, service, comfort, care, and innovation when tending to their residents' needs. This community within a community offers the comforts of home with a relaxed atmosphere, a full-service beauty and barber salon, and a full calendar of social activities

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- SPENCER CLEMENTS

Principal of the ATLAS and Traditions Development







to inspire friendship and camaraderie among residents. Knowing hospitality and service is laced in every fiber of this development, Parc at Traditions is strategically situated near the CHI St. Joseph MatureWell Lifestyle Center, a state-of-the-art health facility that focuses on the wellness of adults ages 55 and over. Patients can see their specialist and complete physical therapy all in the same complex or for those that simply want to engage in physical fitness activities in a gym-like setting, membership options are available.

Another aspect that sets this master-planned community apart from the crowd is The Stella Hotel, a destination for all whether you are looking to spend a weekend get-a-way in Aggieland or a corporate office seeking intimate meeting spaces for a retreat with unique amenities and attractions for their staff. The Stella provides a fenced backyard space that serves as the "go-to" area for children to run off steam and play backyard games, while Campfire boasts a brunch for locals and visitors to enjoy and Hershel's offers an intimate lounge for adults to unwind. This boutique hotel offers a little something for everyone within walking distance to the P.O.V. Coffee shop, an outdoor event pavilion, and the Tower at Lake Walk, a 75-foot-tall observation tower overlooking the 5-acre lake where you can "touch the sky" and see some of the grandest points of Bryan/College Station.

Spencer Clements, Principal of the ATLAS and Traditions Development, shares that the inspiration behind this unique community is to create "a compelling place where we provide reasons for people to come here. We do so by creating a community that is aspirational." An aspect that allows the innovative and compelling development to occur are the relationships held with Bryan Texas Utilities (BTU), the City of Bryan, and the competitive rates offered by the municipally-owned electric utility service provider. Each commercial, retail, and residential property constructed is designed with energy efficiency in mind. From the installation of LED lighting to the use of geothermal irrigation at the Traditions Golf Course, this community strives to lead by example and holds true to its mantra of creating and maintaining an innovative, world-class destination in Bryan/College Station.

To learn more about the ATLAS, Lake Walk, and Traditions developments, visit **atlastx.com** or **lakewalktx.com**.

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