

REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS Meeting Notes

February 11, 2019

BTU Financial Audit

Mr. Joe Hegwood, Chief Financial Officer, introduced Mr. Matt Rodgers of Weaver and Tidwell, LLP. Mr. Rodgers reviewed the Fiscal Year 2018 audit report and informed the Board that the BTU City and Rural financials received an unqualified opinion, the highest that can be received, and no material weaknesses were found.

TMPA Decommissioning Fund

Mr. Hegwood presented a resolution authorizing the establishment of a Texas Municipal Power Agency Decommissioning Fund. This fund will support the efforts to retire the coal fired TMPA Gibbons Creek Plant located in Carlos, TX. BTU is a member of TMPA along with three other cities.

Lake Bryan Operating Permit

Mr. David McIntyre, BTU Production Division Manager, updated the Board regarding permit changes to the operating level of Lake Bryan that was recently approved by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). This amended permit authorizes BTU to operate the lake at whatever level is preferred, as long as BTU has a contract for the purchase and discharge of an alternate water source that offsets the impoundment.





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IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Billing/Collections/Connects (979) 821-5700

Electrical Outage/Lines Down

(979) 822-3777 Distribution/Line Design

(979) 821-5770





Congratulations to our

2019 Government-in-Action Youth Tour



On an annual basis, Bryan Texas Utilities sponsors three local high school students through the Government-in-Action Youth Tour program. Young leaders submit their responses to our application that asks why they are interested in visiting the nation's capital, how they currently serve the community through service projects and extracurricular activities, and an essay question about a real-life scenario that impacts the electric utility industry. Learn more about the three stellar students that reside in an area and/or attend a school serviced by Bryan Texas Utilities.



KEELEY **LOYD**

Actively involved in A&M Consolidated High School's Student Council as Treasurer and Chair of the Teacher Appreciation Committee, Keeley Loyd notes that this organization has "given [her] a sense of civic duty" and that she loves "being the voice for other students on campus." She was recently nominated by a former teacher and selected to participate in a week-long learning experience at the Ambassadors Leadership Summit: Leadership in Action at Yale University. This opportunity places emphasis on service and cultural intelligence, things Keeley is passionate about growing in to better serve her community now and in the future. She is also active in co-leading her Church's teen girls group and has served as a Junior Counselor at Camp Millican for the past three summers helping to promote healthy communities around nature.



DYLAN BENSON

Set to earn his rank as an Eagle Scout by this summer, Dylan Benson also plays football and baseball for the Bryan High Vikings while on track to earn his International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma from Bryan High School. He became involved in Scouting in 2009 and since has learned "lots about cheerful service and relationships with others" while discovering how to "challenge [himself]... every day in the Brazos Valley." Dylan attributes his participation in both Scouts and athletics as leading factors in helping him develop a positive mindset that allows him to find the good in every situation. He also proudly served as an integral member of Vikings Kicking Out Tobacco (VKOT) at Bryan High, a group of students committed to raising awareness on the dangers and impact of tobacco.

Dylan said he's excited about the chance to see the historical sites and landmarks of Washington, D.C., and he's looking forward to meeting new people and making new friends.

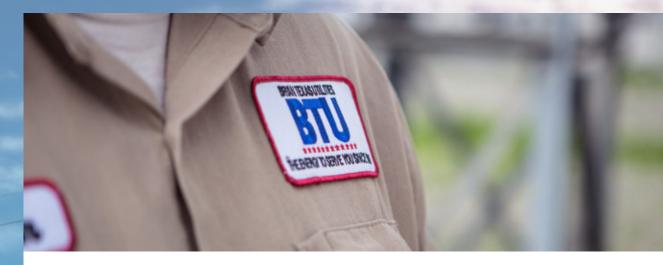


SAMUEL **SEAGO**

As Student Council Treasurer, First Lieutenant in band, Vice President of Eagles for Life, and an athlete playing five different sports at St. Joseph Catholic School, Samuel Seago still finds time to take cello lessons, be active in Boy Scouts, and participate in his church's Bible study and youth group. Samuel applied for Youth Tour with the encouragement of his older brothers, Nathan and Benjamin, who attended in previous years. He shares hearing about "their experiences of the Youth Tour... I see the value of getting to take a trip like this. Being able to go to the capital with a large group of equally excited youth [will] be the best way to experience a place filled with as much history that is there."

These young leaders are set to experience the trip of a lifetime! You can learn more about this initiative to increase youth participation in local government and civic engagement at **btutilities.com/youthtour**. Look for a recap of their experience this fall, including testimonials and photos from their summer trip.





LINEMAN APPRECIATION DAY

You never know what you might find at the top of a utility pole. There are common things such as small animals and tree limbs, but there are some unforeseen things that lineworkers find there as well. Day in and day out they find courage, strength, service, and brotherhood 40 feet in the air.

Courage is defined as doing something that might frighten you. While lineworkers aren't afraid of their jobs, many would be. It takes courage to climb 40 or 50 feet in the air maneuvering heavy equipment to work on a possibly energized high voltage line. It takes courage to be on the front lines of restoration efforts after a major storm. It takes courage to report to work every day, not knowing what the day might hold.

Being a lineworker takes strength. Not only physical strength to lug 30 pounds of tools with them when climbing poles but

also the resolve to spend hours on end replacing lightening arrestors, damaged poles or restringing fallen lines after a storm. It takes strength to come home each day, take off your dirt-covered jeans and boots to take a few hours to spend with the family.

Lineworkers are committed to serving their customers. One must be when agreeing to face sweltering heat, bitter cold, thunderstorms, and hurricanes alike to keep the lights on. Lineworkers know that a picturesque "White Christmas" means a Christmas spent away from their families restoring power so that customers can enjoy a cozy home and a bright tree. Line crews also display a commitment to service when volunteering to show off the bucket trucks and other equipment to children at various community events.



Lineworkers typically operate in crews of three to four, a closeknit team where a bond is formed while working together doing typical duties. And those bonds strengthen during times of adversity. It isn't easy working long hours, but it is required. During those wee hours of the morning when a vehicle strikes a pole, they rely on each other to get the job done efficiently and safely. Each lineworker is trained to watch out for their fellow crew member. Safety is the first priority when visiting a job site, inspecting equipment, and restoring power.





These crews are often only thought of when the lights goes out, and usually only appreciated when they come back on, but in truth lineworkers are behind-the-scenes heroes. We have all heard stories of the days and nights spent restoring power after hurricanes, ice storms, tornadoes, and other natural disasters, but it is not often that you hear about the day-to-day commitment from lineworkers. These regular duties keep the lights on every day, so you don't have to worry when you turn your lights on, adjust your thermostat, or set your dvr to record your favorite show.

Join us on April 18, in expressing our gratitude for lineworkers at BTU and everywhere on National Lineman Appreciation Day. We are thankful for their courage, strength, service, and commitment to safety.



SmartHOME INCENTIVE PROGRAM



Smart HOME saving makes sense

Everybody wants to save money, right? But as the old saying goes, you have to spend money to save money. BTU wants to help you invest in your home to save on your energy costs! The SmartHOME Incentive Program rewards customers that make energy efficient upgrades to their homes. Customers who invest in one or more of the following measures could receive between a 10 and 25 percent rebate of their total project cost.



INSULATION

Homeowners often forget about the fluffy stuff in the attic and exterior walls that is designed to help a home retain the temperature of treated air. This allows your home to stay cooler in the summer and warmer in the winter. Customers who have old or inadequate insulation can benefit by adding or replacing insulation to improve their home's comfort, and reduce their energy consumption.



Single pane or inefficient windows allow heat to easily enter your home in the summer or escape from your home during the winter. In warmer weather, windows should prevent heat gain from the sun and heat infiltration from the air temperature. During the winter, windows should prevent heat loss. Customers who upgrade to Energy Star® rated windows may qualify for the SmartHOME program.

SOLAR SCREENS

Solar screens are the easiest and most economical measure to invest in of the three energy efficient options of the SmartHOME program. These screens fit on the outside of a home's windows to reflect the sun's radiant beams, which can drastically heat your home on those hot summer days. Solar screens installed on primarily east and west facing windows can reduce this effect.

Any of these three measures can be completed by a contractor or, if you are handy, installed yourself. The upgrades can be completed all at once or a little at a time for convenience. Making these upgrades to your home will not only increase the comfort level of your home but also put a few pennies in the piggy bank by reducing the number of times your HVAC has to cycle on. Apply online at btutilities.com!



