



NEWS FROM YOUR BPW

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Equal Pay Customers Please Take Note...

Every year, in January and July, equal pay utility amounts are re-calculated / re-evaluated. Your new monthly equal pay amount may go up or may go down, depending on the previous 12-month utility billings. Please remember... to remain on the Equal Pay Plan, payment is always due on the 15th of each month.

Save \$1 every month by signing up for paperless billing.

Save an additional \$1 every month by signing up to have your utility bill paid thru ACH-Electronic Funds Transfer.

Medical Conditions Notice

We care about our customers! In the event of power line maintenance or a widespread power outage, we will do our best to restore the electricity to customers with serious medical conditions first. If you have a medical condition that the loss of power would negatively affect your health, please contact your physician, and have them send a letter to the BPW stating the necessity of uninterrupted electricity to support your in-home medical equipment, such as dialysis, oxygen, and CPAP machines. The BPW will maintain this information and do our best to restore your power as quickly as possible to ensure your safety and peace of mind.



REMINDER ABOUT SEWER BILLS

All residential customers' sewer usage shall be calculated based on water consumption for the billing months of January, February and March. Sewer use fees are calculated using the average from these three months of water usage and will remain the same for the next 12 months. New sewer use fees will be reflected on your April, 2024 billing.

All other customers' usages (commercial and general service) are calculated each month based on the previous month's usage.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office.



BPW lineman putting the Grinch up on the north side of the BPW office for the holiday season.

Be Prepared for Unexpected Power Outages due to Winter Storms!

Your BPW strives to ensure that you always have electrical service; however, power can be interrupted due to winter storms. Be prepared for such an emergency.

Here are some things to think about:

- If you are on power dependent life support, register with the BPW. This will put your home in a higher priority when there is a power outage.
- Insulate your pipes.
- Have flashlights, a portable radio, and batteries on hand.
- If you take prescription medicine, have at least a three-day supply available.
- Have at least a three-day supply of canned and non-perishable foods. Some examples include bread, peanut butter, canned tuna, fruit, granola bars, jugs of water, etc.
- Have a manual can opener on hand.
- Dress for the temps. Wear layers of clothing and use blankets to keep warm.
- Food in your refrigerator should be good for up to six hours and the freezer will keep food good up to two days. However, if there's any doubt, throw it out!



Contact the BPW [402-274-4981](tel:402-274-4981) if you are without power.

6 Tips to AVOID Common Winter Injuries



SNOW SHOVELING

- Wear shoes with good traction to avoid slips and falls
- Keep your body square to the snow you're shoveling to avoid back injuries



WALKING ON SNOW & ICE

- Be aware of your walking path and take the long way around to avoid ice if needed
- Walk like a penguin: keep your arms wide, turn your feet slightly out, and shuffle



LIFTING HEAVY OBJECTS

- Square your body to the object and bend with your knees (not your back!)
- Avoid quick or twisting movements

BPW Drinking Water Earns AWWA Runner-Up Honors

In November 2023, BPW's drinking water earned its second consecutive runner-up recognition. BPW took first in 2017 and 2019 in the treated category.



BPW Water/Wastewater personnel, from left to right: Alan Slater, Bob Wintz, Kiefer Coatney, Scottie Sherman, and Jay Theye.

Office Hours: 7:00 am to 4:00 pm M-F
Service Center Hours: 7:30 am to 4:00 pm M-F