



BRAINERD PUBLIC UTILITIES

@ Your Service

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Business & Repair Office Hours

7:00 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

Business Number:
829-8726

Repair Number:
829-2193

Emergency 24 hour service 365 days a year:
218-829-2193

EMAIL@BPU.ORG

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Brainerd Public Utilities



Call *Gopher State One*

at 1-800-252-1166 for water & electric locations before digging.

All requests for locations must be made by calling the above toll free number at least 48 hours before digging begins.

All Electrical Work performed in the City of Brainerd requires a "Request for Electrical Inspection" form to be filed with the **State of Minnesota**

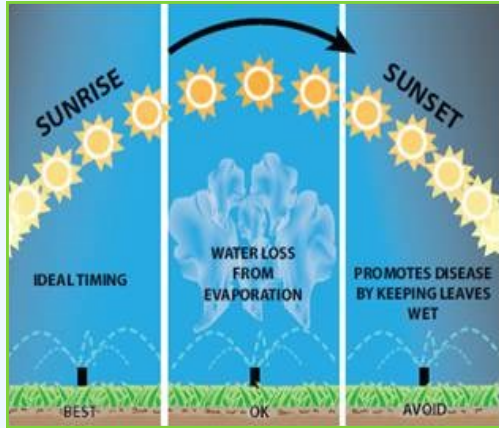
DID YOU KNOW ?

BPU's bill from Minnesota Power (MP) this month was **\$1,058,000.**

Hydro benefit for February was **\$128,525.**

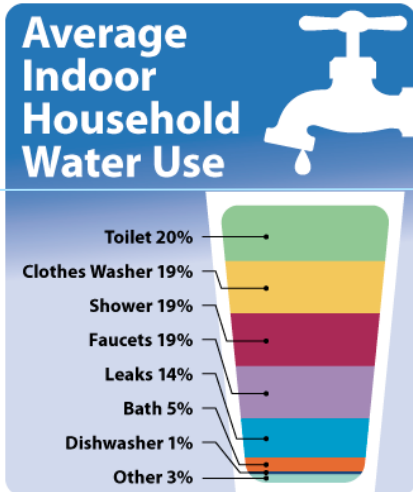
Summer Sprinkling Credit

Summer is coming and for all our residential customers who like to keep their lawns lush and green, and their gardens plentiful, BPU summer sprinkling rates will soon be in effect.



The sprinkling rate will begin after your meters have been read in May. This credit is applied to your sewer charges (waste treatment and waste collection) on the bills you receive in June, July, August, & September.

For the above months, your sewer charges will be billed on the monthly average water consumption of your bill from November, December & January.



BRAINERD PUBLIC UTILITIES POLICY NO. 2016-20 Adopted 01/24/17

RECONNECTION OF ELECTRIC AND WATER SERVICE

In order to have electric and/or water service restored after a customer has been disconnected for non-payment of a utility bill, the customer is required to pay their bill in full and a reconnect fee will have to be paid for each service that is disconnected in accordance to Policy No. 2005-10 – Disconnection of Utility Services.

Payment will have to be paid to Brainerd Public Utilities (BPU) Business Office by 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, in order to get service(s) reconnected the same day as disconnection of service occurs.

For any payment made after 3:00 p.m., service(s) will not be reconnected until the following business day.

This policy is in effect for all 12 months in the calendar year.



Four Tips to Help Conserve Water Indoors

- Turn off faucet while brushing teeth.
- Take shorter showers.
- Fix leaks in faucets, showerheads and toilets.
- Only wash full loads.



Four Tips to Help Conserve Water Outdoors


- Use a broom, not a hose, to clean the driveway.
- Use a rain sensor to regulate the sprinkling system.
- Use a shut-off nozzle.
- Only water when needed.

” To a Thirsty man, a drop of water is worth more than a sack of gold.”

SECURITY LIGHTING

BPU offers a security lighting program. Security lighting illuminates possible safety hazards to make your property safe at night, and protects your home or business by discouraging vandalism, theft, and burglary.

Security lighting is available to residential, commercial, and industrial customers. BPU maintains the security light.



Reminder:

Please do not plant trees, shrubs, etc. within 10 feet of electrical transformers and/or junction boxes.

Thank you!

Donate Your Stuff.

Help Us Build Homes. Change Lives Together.

We accept appliances, cabinets, furniture, building materials, lighting and more! All donations are **tax deductible!**

100% of the profits from the ReStore support Lakes Area Habitat for Humanity. Your ReStore is located at 1110 Wright Street in Brainerd, across from the Armory. Come shop, donate, reuse and celebrate with us!

Lakes Area Habitat for Humanity®
ReStore

Building Houses, Building Hope in Cass, Crow Wing and Hubbard Counties

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If you are moving, please notify our office at 825-3200 at least a day in advance to have your meters read for your final bill. Please have your forwarding address ready to give to us. Also, if you are selling your property, we need the new owner’s name when you call in to final your account.



BPU requires an application for service to be filled out if you are beginning service with us or transferring service in our service area. The application is on our website at www.bpu.org. We can also mail the application to you. We will not read the meters until we have received the completed application.

“When you put your hand in a flowing stream, you touch the last that has gone before and the first of what is still to come.” Leonardo da Vinci