

Brainerd Public Utilities

Electricity—Water—Wastewater—Hydro

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Water and Sewer Rates

The Commission voted to increase water rates 20% at their September commission meeting. This increase is needed to cover bond issue costs related to construction costs for water improvements throughout the system.

Water			Sanitary Sewer		
Effective December 1, 2024			Effective January 1, 2025		
Reflected on your January Bill			Reflected on your February Bill		
Water			City of Brainerd		
			Sanitary Sewer Collection		
Monthly Service Charge			Monthly Service Charge		
(In Inches)	Current	New	Current	New	
Meter Size					
3/4	\$ 19.30	\$ 23.16	\$ 6.55	\$ 7.05	
1	49.70	59.64	14.00	15.00	
1 1/2	73.90	88.68	19.85	21.10	
2	127.80	153.36	36.25	37.50	
3	230.10	276.12	56.25	57.50	
4	345.10	414.12	105.00	105.00	
6	551.00	661.20	140.00	140.00	
			Stormwater		
			(Single Family Residence)		
			4.60	5.30	
Commodity Charge			Commodity Charge		
Per 1,000 Gal	\$ 4.10	\$ 4.92	Per 1,000 Gal	\$ 1.37	\$ 1.34

Note: Water and wastewater treatment customers outside the City limits will be charged 200 percent. The Sanitary Sewer Collection and Storm Sewer Collection Charges are set by the Brainerd City Council.



Take Care of your water pipes. Open Cabinet doors under sinks, and don't forget to check on pipes to your washing machines in the laundry room. Insulating hot water pipes can also help deliver warmer water with the added benefit of energy savings.

Property owners are responsible for protecting both water pipes and the meters from damage.

What is a Service Line?

A service line is the pipe connecting the water main to the interior plumbing in a building. (It is how you receive water).

I have already provided you with my water service material type. Why am I receiving this letter?

Galvanized notification letter: You received this letter because it was documented you have a galvanized service which may contain lead particles.

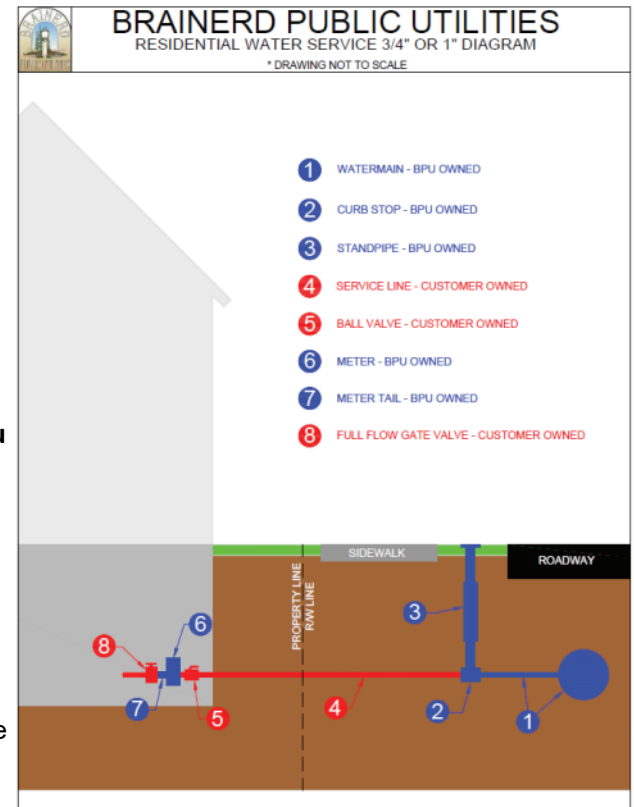
Unknown notification letter: Thank you for providing us with your service material. Unfortunately, the service material under the roadway is unknown. The city will be working to identify this material in the future.

I have not provided my water service material. How can I get you that information? You can send us an email with a picture of your water service at the meter or You may request BPU staff to complete an inspection - Call 218-829-2193

What material is my water line? Go online and use this helpful resource: <https://maps.umn.edu/LSL/>

What if I have already scheduled an inspection? Thank you for your help. Some inspections were unable to be completed prior to the submittal process due to timing. If the inspection has been performed, we should have that information for the future.

DIAGRAM OF A RESIDENTIAL WATER SERVICE



What is HeatShare

HeatShare is a voluntary nongovernmental program of The Salvation Army that has been in existence since 1982. When you give to HeatShare, you are helping warm the lives of the elderly, people with disabilities, and others who have nowhere else to turn. HeatShare provides financial assistance on a year-round basis and is used for natural gas, oil, propane, wood, and electricity.

Who Does HeatShare help?

- Senior citizens 65 years of age or older with low, fixed incomes and not alternate source of help.
- People with disabilities who are limited in their ability to maintain income to adequately cover energy costs.
- People who have an unexpected crisis and as a result cannot pay for household energy bills.

How can I support my neighbor?

You can give the gift of heat by sending a tax-deductible donation to:

The Salvation Army
HeatShare Program
2445 Prior Ave. N
Roseville, MN 55113

*Please make checks payable to HeatShare
www.heatshare.org, 1-800-842-7279

Your contribution will be used for those in need in your community. For information about contributions, call The Salvation Army DHQ 651-746-3542