

THE INNOVATOR

Denison Municipal Utilities

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A NEW YEAR OF DENISON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES EMPOWERING THE COMMUNITY OF DENISON

We assume our public utilities are there when we need them. But they not only provide essential services, they power the success of our communities.

Public utilities like DMU are governed by local friends and neighbors. This keeps decision-making closer to where customers live and closer to their best interests. Public utilities also employ people from Denison and give back to the community in many ways.

As DMU begins a new year of providing power, it also wants to remind everyone public utilities really do power communities.

- *Affordable and dependable service
- *Local control answers to customers, not shareholders
- *Local crews mean quicker response time
- *Not-for-profit keeps costs lower and invests back into the system
- *Safety-minded and environmentally conscious
- *Face-to-face customer service

"It has been an honor to empower the businesses and citizens of Denison this past year and help enable them to grow and serve the community." said Rory Weis, General Manager.

A public utility not only means better reliability at a lower rate. It also means decisions made about your service are made right in your backyard. And the people making them are as invested in the community as you are.

Meet the Denison Municipal Utilities Board Members:

Sitting: Dane Dammen, Vice Chairman; Nancy Bradley, Chairperson;
Standing: Chad Langenfeld, Tonya Eller, Brian Ettleman



You are always welcome to join us at the DMU Board meetings held every third Monday of the month at 4:30 pm at the DMU board room.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Denison Parks & Rec, along with the Chamber and Development Council & DMU presented our 2nd Annual Christmas light decoration contest and we are proud to announce the winner:

Grand Prize of \$50 off their DMU electric bill & \$50 CDC gift card went to:

**Bob Brummer
1106 Siemer Drive
Denison, IA 51442**



"Thank you" to all who participated in the contest and "lit up our town!"

NEED HELP PAYING YOUR HEATING BILL?

You can apply for the 2017-2018 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, (LIHEAP). The assistance is based on household income, household size, type of fuel and type of housing. You will need to take: Proof of Income (most recent 3 months' check stubs) Social Security numbers for all household members, recent heat bill, recent electric bill, and recent telephone bill.

You can apply at your local agency:

West Central Community Action
145 N. 7th St.,
Denison, Iowa 51442
(712) 263-3538



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electric, water, & sewer**



DENISON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
"Essentials For Life."

Have you ever wondered how much electricity your appliances actually use?

We now have a Power monitor that can tell you how much.

The Kill A Watt EZ is an easy to use consumer power meter allowing the user to accurately measure power consumption of household appliances and to determine the actual cost of power consumed. The unit will also project, in real time, the cost of continued use of the appliance in time periods of Hour, Day, Week, Month, and Year. The monitor features a precise circuit which provides very accurate results. Voltage and current are measured using true RMS methods. Total consumed power is displayed in Kilowatt-hours (KWH). It is easy to use with a large display and simple 5- button interface. The unit is safe as it features ETL listing and over-current protection.



We now have a monitor at our office for you to use. You may sign out the monitor for 7 days at a time. For more information stop at our office at 721 West Broadway or call (712)263-4154.



2018 Bright Energy Solutions energy efficiency incentive program changes.

(Residential)

- ◇ Energy Star Programmable Thermostat rebates will only apply to Energy Star Smart Thermostats.
- ◇ Energy Star Appliance rebates will be \$25 each.

(Commercial)

- ◇ Retrofit Lighting
- ◇ New Construction Lighting
- ◇ Food Service & Commercial Refrigeration Equipment
- ◇ Heating and Cooling—Programmable Thermostats
- ◇ Custom Program—Custom Incentives have reduced

For more details call the DMU BES Representative at (712)263-3046 or stop at our office at 721 West Broadway, Denison.

College scholarships available

DMU in conjunction with Missouri River Energy Services (MRES) will be awarding scholarships this spring. The materials will be available in January with applications due in March. Any high school student whose parents are electric customers of DMU are eligible.



To encourage students to choose a career in electric line work and to then seek employment with municipal utilities, MRES is also offering one-time \$1,000 scholarships per year to a qualified student taking the Electrical Line Worker Program. This is for students entering the program at one of the following colleges: Minnesota West Community & Tech College, Northwest Iowa Community College, Mitchell Tech Institute, Minnesota State Community & Tech College, Dakota County Tech College. The scholarship needs to be used for tuition, books, and/or tools and supplies. For this particular scholarship, the students applying are not required to be electric customers of DMU. The scholarship is a one-time award only, students may not reapply.

More than thirty students from MRES member communities currently are benefiting from these programs, and we look forward to helping more students this spring.

Scholarship forms can be picked up at the Denison High School Counselors Office or for more information call our office at 712-263-4154.