



## Sun Prairie Utilities' Newsletter - September 2025

### New Facility Update

Miron Construction Co. Inc. continues to make steady progress on the new Sun Prairie Utilities (SPU) operations facility.



Contractors are installing mechanical systems, finishing drywall, priming/painting, installing solar panels, and much more!

Over the next couple of months, site work will begin again to install the remaining infrastructure, site grading, landscaping, and parking lot/ driveway paving. Check out the [video feed from the construction camera](#) to watch the facility come to life!

SPU, Kueny Architects, and Miron Construction meet weekly to review construction activities, these meetings will continue until the project is complete near the end of 2025.

Special thank you and shout out to Tim Hatfield for capturing the construction process with his drone!

Questions? Please check the New Facility page on our website, under About Us, or reach out to [information@myspu.org](mailto:information@myspu.org).

### Highlights:

- SPU and Sunny Nutrition Water Department Drink ([Website article](#))
- Sunshine Supper Summer Lunches ([Facebook post](#))
- Colonial Club StrawberryFest Setup ([Facebook post](#))
- Food Fight Challenge Participation ([Facebook post](#))
- New SPU App ([YouTube video](#))



### Change in Wisconsin Sales Tax

Effective October 1, 2025, following the approval of [2025 Wis. Act 15](#), electricity and natural gas sold for residential use is exempt from Wisconsin sales tax, extending the current exemption period of November through April to be the entire year.

For Sun Prairie Utilities customers, this will begin with bills mailed on or after October 1, 2025. Under our current electric rates, the average Residential customer using 592 kWh per month will see a lower electric bill by \$4.24 per month.

To find more information about this, [click here](#). Or visit [doa.wi.gov/Pages/Home.aspx](http://doa.wi.gov/Pages/Home.aspx)

- scroll and select "2025-27 Biennial Budget," under "Biennial Budget (2025-27)" click "Budget in Brief."

## Celebrate Public Power

We're celebrating Public Power next month! SPU is planning several community events in celebration of Public Power Week, which is Oct. 5 - 11.



SPU is a Public Power utility because it's not-for-profit and owned by the community. This means we serve and strive to provide reliable and low-cost electric and water service.

- SPU is hosting a grade [K-5 Coloring Contest](#) to win a ride to school in a bucket truck. The contest runs from September 2 to October 3.
- Staff are volunteering during an SPU-sponsored night at [Sunshine Supper](#).
- SPU employees will be reading [If I Were A Lineworker](#) and bringing a bucket truck for a touch-a-truck event at the [Sun Prairie Public Library](#).
- SPU sponsors a football game on [October 17](#) at the Bank of Sun Prairie Stadium at Ashley Field.
- SPU is a [Sunrise Sun Prairie](#) sponsor.

SPU staff will share additional events closer to Public Power Week. Follow our social media accounts and check our website to stay up-to-date! Go to [sunprairieutilities.com](http://sunprairieutilities.com), click Community Benefits, and select Public Power Week.

[View the latest details.](#)

## MyAccount Energy Conservation Tools

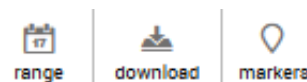


Reducing your electric and water usage is the easiest way to save money on your utility bill. These easy tips will show you how to lower your energy use through your MyAccount.

- Opt to receive the Weekly Summary email alert to track how energy usage changes from week to week.
  - Under Alerts (near profile icon, upper right of screen), scroll to Usage.
- Set up customized Usage Threshold alerts to be notified by email, text, or push notification when energy usage is higher than normal.
  - Under Alerts (near profile icon, upper right of screen), scroll to Usage.
- Enable the comparison trendlines at the bottom of the usage graphs to see how it trends with temperature and humidity.
  - Under Dashboard (by profile icon, upper right of screen) or Charts (by your location information, upper left), select either Water, Electric, or Billing graphs.

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Weather information provided from [Aeris Weather](#)

- Switch to Data view, and get a quick visual of high usage periods.
  - Under Charts (by your location information, upper left), select Data, pick between Water, Electric, or Billing.
- Add a Marker to note when thermostat settings have changed to track the effect on energy usage.
  - Found in both Charts and Data to the right of the graphs.



[Go to MyAccount.](#)

## Community Involvement

Sun Prairie Utilities employees were in the community several times in August. Our staff strive to participate in the City of Sun Prairie and take pride in being a community-focused customer advocate.



Employees participated in **National Night Out** on August 7. They brought a bucket truck for visitors to explore, gave away free promotional material, and shared educational information.



SPU was a sponsor for the **Dive-In Movie: Moana 2** at the Family Aquatic Center on August 8. Staff set up a table before the movie started and handed out yellow plastic kids' hard hats, water bottles, and water conservation stickers designed by Talia, the winner of the [2024-25 contest](#).

Several SPU employees walked and drove in the **Sweet Corn Festival Parade** on August 13. They handed out candy and information about the new facility in both English and Spanish.



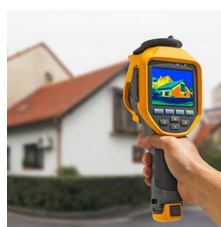
SPU was a Silver Kernel Sponsor, and staff volunteered during the **Sweet Corn Festival** weekend with their partners and friends in the corn tent and the welcome table. Most of SPU's employees helped on August 16, and others signed up for both days, August 16-17.

Volunteers are so important in making this event happen, so we are proud that they lent helping

hands.

Our crew set up a table at the rescheduled **Night Market** on August 28. They shared a variety of promotional items, several helpful program fliers, and answered questions for those who preferred face-to-face interaction.

We wanted to share their recent community involvement with you, our customer, and thank our staff for their contribution. Thank you!



### Focus on Energy.

Take advantage of its statewide programs and incentives! Some of them include [product discounts](#), [home energy assessments](#), [free focus packs](#), and the [heat and cooling improvements program](#). [Click here](#) to learn more about it.

### Reminders:



#### Hydrant Flushing Season.

SPU crews are flushing fire hydrants around the City of Sun Prairie to ensure adequate water flow is available to firefighters, residents, and businesses. [Read more here.](#)



#### Cross Connection Inspections.

SPU water operators inspect residential locations during service visits, and HydroCorp inspects industrial and commercial buildings. HydroCorp personnel will contact SPU customers for appointments. [Read more here.](#)

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