

City of Seymour Texas

At the Crossroads of North Texas

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CITY OF SEYMOUR UPCOMING EVENTS

- December 12th, 2024, at 7:00 PM City of Seymour Lighted Christmas Parade
- December 19th, 2024, City Council Meeting at 7:00 PM at City Hall
- February 22nd, 2025, from 9:00-10:30 AM Trout Fishing Tournament at Salt Fork Recreational Complex



Pictured above Street Department Supervisor Ronnie Kolacek along with City employees Shaun Teel, David Mailhos, Kenny Davis, and Teddy Sanchez clean up the brush pile at the Seymour Transfer Station. This task takes a lot of work and time for the department, but essential in maintaining the brush pile to minimize the high cost of having a contractor come to town. Their hard work saves taxpayers approximately \$20,000.00 every two years, which would be the estimated cost of having a company come from out of town to mulch the pile of brush in its entirety.

CITY OF SEYMOUR CELEBRATES “100 YEARS” OF CITY



The City of Seymour, on Saturday November 16th, 2024, Celebrated 100 Years of City Hall. After years of planning and actual construction it is believed that City Hall was finally completed in December of 1924. To celebrate, an assembly was held outside of City Hall. To begin the celebration, Mayor McCord welcomed everyone and then lead in the pledge and prayer. Afterward, Mayor McCord introduced the guest speaker Mr. Harry Knowles. Mr. Knowles gave a great speech on the history of Seymour's City Hall. Next Mayor McCord presented a speech sharing a letter written from Governor Abbot and acknowledged a certificate sent by the Honorable Ronny Jackson from the 13th Congressional District of Texas each celebrating with the Citizens of Seymour and the 100 years of City Hall. Afterward, Mayor McCord spoke about the time capsule, its meaning, and the contents inside that will be hopefully opened in November of 2074. The time capsule will be stored in the front office of City Hall with a nicely engraved plaque on the front of the time capsule that was created by S and J Sports of Seymour, Texas. There is still some time for community members to bring memorabilia, notes, pictures, or letters to City Hall to be placed in the time capsule. The items requested acknowledge and represent our current times so that the residents fifty years from now will have the opportunity to know us better as a community and each of us individually. We hope that the community members fifty years from now will be inspired to carry on the tradition for the community in 2124.

City of Seymour Department Updates

The Street Department, as reported by Supervisor **Ronnie Kolacek** reported that his department repaired potholes in City Streets created from the rain. The department repaired an alley behind the dinosaur museum created by ATMOS to prevent water from entering the Harvest Youth Center and the Dinosaur Museum. Also, the Street Department mulched a tremendous amount of brush at the Transfer Station and trimmed trees out of the street on West Oregon Street.

The City of Seymour **Electric Department** supervised by John Joyce communicated his department replaced and then upgraded a service line at a residence on West Oregon Street, installed the power banks for the Christmas lights at the City Park, repaired a guy wire cable for a primary line leading up to the Seymour Hospital, trimmed out a primary line and a service line on East Nevada Street. The Electric Department also trimmed trees out of a primary line along Baskin Street, trimmed brush out of a line in the park, turned power back on for the high school baseball field, hung a solar panel light on a flag pole at the Senior Citizens Center, repaired a cross arm on South Stratton, repaired the fountain at the park, performed locates for customers, and completed weekly readings of reclosures and vehicle maintenance checks.

The City of Seymour Water Department under the supervision of **Chase Hoyt** reported the department worked with Trac N Control to evaluate sensors for safe and effective operation, repaired sensors on booster pressure, repaired a leak on West View Road and North River Street, performed maintenance on the Standpipe on the hill, filled holes created from water leaks, flushed hydrants, and performed locates for customers, and turn offs for non-payment.

The **Seymour Police Department** under the supervision of **Chief Bryce Sawyer** communicated that the department hosted a suicide prevention training that was attended by surrounding law officers, gave a courtesy ride to an indigent individual to Wichita Falls, performed numerous welfare checks, and assisted with two traffic accidents. The department also investigated a check fraud case, continued with the ongoing investigation of a murder case, and conducted traffic control around town and in the school zones.

Over the course of the last week, the **Reverse Osmosis Plant** under the supervision of John Davis produced 3.6 million gallons of treated water that was distributed to the City of Seymour and Baylor Water Supply Corporation. During the week plant operators monitored chlorine residuals around the town, monitored the amount of wastewater discharged from the plant, took daily readings on the primary RO units, changed the pre-filters in one of the primary RO trains, cleaned the main RO building, and calibrated the feed water and product water instrument panels. Curo Environmental was on site to collect the quarterly samples that monitor the nitrate levels in our water supply.

The City of Seymour **Animal Control Officer Rick Shumate** trapped and relocated four cats, eight skunks, two dogs, two raccoons, two possums, and received fourteen animal related calls. Currently there are no animals in the dog pound.