

City of Seymour Texas

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“Weekly Beat”

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CITY OF SEYMOUR UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 17th, 2025, President's Day/City Hall Closed
- February 20th, 2025, City Council Meeting at City Hall Auditorium at 7:00 PM.
- February 22nd, 2025, from 9:00-10:30 AM Trout Fishing Tournament at Salt Fork Recreational Complex.
- June 28th, 2025, Kid's Fishing Tournament at the Big Stock Tank at Salt Fork Recreational Complex 9:00-10:30 AM
- July 23rd – 25th, 2025 City of Seymour Kids Golfing Camp. 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM.



Pictured above are flags that were put on downtown and on Grossman Street by the Seymour Lion's Club Members. The launch of the flag program by the Lion's Club had forty-nine participants. The Lion's Club inspires to have the whole community participate so we brighten our community, be a symbol and example to other communities on the value and importance of patriotism. The flags will be taken down after President's Day and put up on five more designated patriotic holidays.

City of Seymour Takes Progressive Steps to Clean Up an Additional Dilapidated Property on South Washington Street



Pictured left Street Department Supervisor Ronnie Kolacek begun the demolition of another dilapidated structure on Monday. This structure is located on South Washington Street next to Penman's. This structure is the second structure and the second lot that the City of Seymour has attacked in its effort to clean up our community in the past month.

SEYMOUR, TX – In a determined effort to improve the quality of life for its residents, the City of Seymour has launched a comprehensive initiative to clean up dilapidated properties throughout the community. This progressive approach aims to enhancing the safety, aesthetics, and overall well-being of the city's neighborhoods. The initiative involves the identification and demolition of abandoned and deteriorated buildings. By addressing these issues head-on, the City of Seymour is not only removing potential hazards but making our community cleaner, safer, and more appealing to life and work. Mayor Mark McCord highlighted the significance of this effort, stating, "Cleaning up dilapidated properties is a crucial step in our mission to build a better Seymour. These actions not only improve the appearance of our neighborhoods but also contribute to the safety and economic vitality of our community." The benefits of this initiative are manifold: First, removing unsafe structures reduces the risk of accidents and criminal activity, making neighborhoods safer for residents. Second, cleaning up neglected properties can increase property values, benefiting homeowners and encouraging investment in the community. Third, a well-maintained environment fosters a sense of pride among residents, leading to stronger community bonds and increased civic engagement. Fourth, vacant lots and cleaned-up properties provide opportunities for new businesses, housing projects, and public spaces, potentially boosting the local economy and creating jobs. The City of Seymour's proactive approach to addressing dilapidated properties reflects its commitment to creating a thriving and vibrant community. By prioritizing the well-being of its citizens, Seymour is setting a positive example for other communities to follow.

LIONS CLUB KICKS OFF FLAG PROGRAM ON PRESIDENT'S DAY

SEYMOUR, TX – The Seymour Lions Club is excited to announce the launch of their annual Flag Program, set to kick off on President's Day. This patriotic initiative aims to foster community spirit and national pride by displaying American flags throughout the town on significant holidays and events. **Program Details:** The Flag Program involves placing American flags in front of homes and businesses on key dates such as Memorial Day, Independence Day, Veterans Day, and other important occasions. Participants can subscribe to the program for \$50.00 a year, which helps support the club's various community service projects. **Community Impact:** The Flag Program not only beautifies the town but also serves as a reminder of the values and freedoms that the American flag represents. It brings the community together in a shared display of patriotism and respect for the nation's history. **How to Participate:** Residents and business owners interested in participating in the Flag Program can sign up by stopping by City Hall, People's Bank, Herring Bank, or contact a club member for more information. The club provides all necessary materials and handles the installation and removal of the flags. **Supporting Local Initiatives:** Funds raised through the Flag Program support the Seymour Lions Club's numerous charitable activities, including vision screenings, scholarships, and assistance for those in need. By participating in the program, community members contribute to these vital efforts and help make a positive difference in the lives of others and our community.

City of Seymour Department Updates

The Street Department, as reported by Supervisor **Ronnie Kolacek**, reported that his department completed the cleaning up of the properties on North Main Street next to the Long Branch and began cleaning up a property on South Washington Street near Penman's Gas Station. Throughout the process the department has had numerous mechanical failures that have had to be resolved and work requests that need to be completed. The department also cleaned up a property on North Tackitt Street and repaired a school zone light near the High School.

Over the course of the last week, the **Reverse Osmosis Plant** under the supervision of John Davis produced 3.5 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, replaced a malfunctioning solenoid valve on the chlorination system, changed the prefilters in one of the primary RO trains, and completed the annual TIER II chemical report.

The **City of Seymour Electric Department**, supervised by **John Joyce**, communicated that his department executed vehicle maintenance checks on vehicles to ensure each vehicle is in proper working order. The department repaired a primary line and cross are on the 300 block of North River Street, repaired a single-phase pole top pin on Compress Road, restored power on the 900 block of North East Street, and drove out Circuit 5 to inspect the circuit for potential issues.

The **Seymour Police Department** under the supervision of **Chief Bryce Sawyer** communicated that his department made a public intoxication arrest, arrested an individual on an assault family violence, possession-controlled substance PG 1 in a drug free zone arrest, and conducted school visits. The department also conducted traffic enforcement in the school zones, assisted Baylor County Sheriff's Office with a welfare check, and mediated numerous civil matters.

The City of Seymour **Animal Control Officer Rick Shumate** reported the animal control team has been actively responding to various animal-related calls from the community. Multiped cats were captured and safely relocated, one skunk was captured, a possum, two dogs were captured, and one remains in the pound and the other canine was adopted out to a family. Mr. Shumate received nine animal related calls and investigated a dog that bit a three-year-old girl. The dog is placed in quarantine for ten days and the young lady was treated at the hospital.

The City of Seymour **Water Department** supervised by **Chase Hoyt** communicated his department repaired a severe leak this week in the extreme temperatures. A large leak on a two inch line on Westview Drive, rodded sewer lines on China and Arkansas Street, replaced a meter on Morris Street, activated new meters at the new Seymour ISD addition, patched holes created from water leak repairs, and cleaned up the Water Department.