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City of Seymour Welcomes New Utility Clerk Alexis Clarke



Pictured above is Alexis Clarke, the newly appointed front desk clerk for the City of Seymour.

Seymour, Texas: Seymour, Texas: The City of Seymour is pleased to announce that Alexis Clarke began her role as Utility Clerk on Monday, March 23, 2026. Her addition to the team follows a recent transition within the department after the retirement of longtime employee Nita Hons. After dedicating many years of service to the City, Mrs. Hons retired, leaving a strong foundation for continued success. Alicia Rutledge, who trained under Mrs. Hons for the past year, has now stepped into the role of Lead Clerk. With Ms. Rutledge's advancement, Ms. Clarke has assumed the Utility Clerk position, ensuring continuity in service and support for the community. Ms. Clarke moved to The City of Seymour with her family in March of 2022. She first became integrated into the community by working for the Bass family at the Long Branch Roadhouse. Through those connections she found work at Stevens Tractor Repair, and then moved on to work for the local United Supermarket. There she continued to meet and connect even more with the community. Her professional experience, combined with her friendly and outgoing personality, made her a strong candidate for the position. City leadership expressed confidence in Ms. Clarke's ability to contribute positively to both the organization and the community. Her customer service experience and familiarity with local residents are expected to enhance the City's daily operations and public engagement. "I chose to work for the City of Seymour because of the competitive salary, strong benefits, and the positive culture within the organization," Ms. Clarke said. "I'm excited for the opportunity to serve the community and be part of such a dedicated team." The City of Seymour encourages residents to stop by and welcome Ms. Clarke as she begins her new role. Her addition reflects the City's continued commitment to providing quality service while fostering a positive and professional work environment.

From Streets to Services: Seymour's Weekly Department Highlights

The City of Seymour's **Street Department**, under the direction of Ronnie Kolacek, completed a productive week focused on infrastructure maintenance and interdepartmental support. Crews worked alongside the Water Department to assist with leak repairs, providing excavation and dirt removal to help speed up the repair process and reduce service disruptions for residents. In addition to this support, the department carried out routine maintenance across the city. This included cleaning drainage areas to ensure proper water flow and help prevent localized flooding. Equipment repairs were also completed to keep essential machinery in reliable working condition. The team continued efforts to maintain city cleanliness and safety by mulching brush and addressing alleyways. Dirt was leveled in multiple alleys to improve accessibility, drainage, and overall conditions for residents. These ongoing efforts reflect the department's commitment to maintaining the city's infrastructure and supporting essential services throughout the community.

The City of Seymour **Water Department** made significant progress this week addressing critical infrastructure needs and supporting ongoing utility projects across the community. One of the primary efforts involved repairing a collapsed sewer line at the intersection of McClain and Cedar. Crews worked in coordination with Hrnčirik Electric to replace the damaged line, restoring proper function to the system and preventing further complications. In addition to the sewer repair, the department responded to and fixed multiple water leaks along McClain Street. These repairs were essential in maintaining system integrity and minimizing water loss. The Water Department also assisted contractors working on a water line project on McClain, helping ensure the project continues to move forward efficiently and in alignment with city standards. Crews performed utility locates for SPS, the company currently replacing gas lines in the area. These locates are critical for preventing damage to existing infrastructure during excavation. Following recent repairs, crews filled holes left from leak work to restore roadways and maintain safe conditions for residents. Additionally, meter rereads were conducted to ensure billing accuracy, reinforcing the department's commitment to reliable and fair utility services. Overall, the Water Department continues to play a vital role in maintaining and improving Seymour's infrastructure through responsive repairs, project coordination, and attention to service accuracy.

The City of Seymour Electric Department, supervised by John Joyce, had a productive week maintaining infrastructure and ensuring reliable power service for residents and businesses. This week, crews conducted routine vehicle maintenance checks to keep department vehicles in safe and operational condition. Operators also performed weekly readings of reclosures, ensuring that the electrical distribution system is functioning properly. In the field, the department completed several essential projects: trimming the primary line on W. Brazos Street, disconnecting and reconnecting power on S. Arkansas Street, and changing out a service line on S. Main Street. A new service line was installed on W. Cora Street, and repairs were made to a service line on N. Arkansas Street. Crews also drove out and restored power along S. Main Street, maintaining consistent service for the community. The team supported ongoing operations by performing utility locates, assisting with electrical testing of trucks and equipment, and participating in the weekly TEC safety meeting to reinforce best practices and workplace safety. Through these efforts, the Electric Department continues to prioritize system reliability, public safety, and proactive maintenance to meet the city's energy needs efficiently.

The **Seymour Police Department**, under the leadership of Bryce Sawyer, remained actively engaged this week in protecting public safety and serving the community through a wide range of law enforcement activities. Officers conducted regular traffic enforcement efforts throughout the city, focusing on promoting safe driving habits and reducing the risk of accidents. These efforts are part of the department's ongoing commitment to maintaining safe roadways for residents and visitors. In addition to traffic enforcement, officers responded to a variety of calls for service, addressing concerns ranging from routine assistance to more urgent situations. The department also carried out warrant arrests, ensuring that individuals with outstanding legal obligations were taken into custody in accordance with the law. Proactive policing efforts continued with routine property checks, helping deter criminal activity and provide an added layer of security for homes and businesses. Officers also conducted follow-up investigations on previous cases, working to gather additional information and ensure cases continue to move forward. Community engagement remained a priority, with officers making school visits to connect with students and staff, reinforcing positive relationships and promoting safety awareness. The department also responded to and investigated traffic crashes, working to determine causes and ensure proper reporting. Welfare checks were conducted as needed, demonstrating the department's role not only in enforcement but also in safeguarding the well-being of community members. Overall, the Seymour Police Department continues to demonstrate a strong commitment to public safety through proactive enforcement, responsive service, and community involvement.

The City of Seymour's **Reverse Osmosis (RO) Plant**, under the supervision of John Davis, delivered a strong week of production and operational oversight to support the community's water needs. Over the past week, the RO Plant produced approximately 4.7 million gallons of treated water, which was distributed to both the City of Seymour and the Baylor Water Supply Corporation. This level of output reflects the plant's critical role in ensuring a consistent and reliable water supply for the region. Plant operators remained focused on maintaining water quality and regulatory compliance. Throughout the week, crews monitored chlorine residual levels across the distribution system to ensure proper disinfection and public safety. They also tracked the volume of wastewater discharged from the plant as part of ongoing operational accountability. Daily readings were taken on the primary RO units to verify system performance, while quality control checks were conducted on the product water instrument panel to ensure accuracy and consistency. In addition, all handheld analyzers were calibrated to maintain precise field measurements. To remain in compliance with state regulations, staff also completed the required monthly reporting for the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. These efforts highlight the RO Plant team's continued commitment to delivering safe, high-quality drinking water while meeting all operational and regulatory standards.