



MEMO

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

To: Board of Public Works
From: Jake Van Gompel
Date: 1/16/24
Re: Authorization to seek bids for athletic field groomer

Discussion:

The park department has been grooming athletic fields with a compact tractor and drag attachments to prep baseball/softball fields before games and tournaments. With the time constraints of rain, maneuverability and weight issues with the compact tractor the field groomer is the right piece of equipment for the job. The groomer is a lighter three-wheel tractor with wider tires which allows staff to get on fields quicker after rain. The groomer also carries both attachments which allows the operator to change operations and transport to the next field without cleaning and lifting heavy drags onto a trailer.

Recommended action:

Motion to authorize the street superintendent to seek bids for one athletic field groomer.



