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## MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Town Commissioners  
From: Darnell Bond, Public Works Director  
Date: Tuesday, November 8<sup>h</sup>, 2022  
Re: Snow Equipment Needed

The Public Works team is in need of additional snow removal and treatment equipment for the 2022-2023 snow season.

In January 2022, The Board unanimously approved \$ 2,500 to fix the 7-year-old Fisher salt spreader. In talking with Kohler, (our equipment specialists) they are having a hard time sourcing the parts, the remanufactured parts quote they received from the manufacturer was higher than the original quote, and they can't guarantee that those parts will fix all of the issues. We are proposing to buy a new spreader, and a front plow mount for truck 364 which has neither plow nor spreader. We are proposing the front mount instead of an entire plow assembly due to the significant cost of the plow itself. We currently have two Boss snowplows in which this vehicle can share for the remainder of the fiscal year.

I am requesting that funding be re-allocated from the unspent salaries in the budget, there is adequate funding to purchase the following equipment in this way.

Spreader (Labor included)	\$4,725.00
Plow wiring harness, control module, and frame attachment (Labor included)	\$1,629.96
8Ft Boss plow (If selected)	\$5,045.04
Grand estimated total \$6,354.96 (without plow)	\$11,400

\*Please note\* Truck 216, which can hold roughly 90 bags of salt, is the only truck we have completely outfitted with an adequately sized plow and spreader. Our next line of defense is an 8 ft plow and a tailgate spreader that holds 10 bags of salt. We have had at least 3 instances where the main salt truck or spreader has been down during a wintry weather event. Resulting in lost productivity, increased hours of overtime, and direct contact with salt and elements spreading by hand.