

# ROAD FOREMAN – JOB DESCRIPTION

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# **Job Summary**

This position is to serve as the working supervisor of the Town of Goshen Highway Crew, carrying out a variety of highway and town maintenance related tasks. This person is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Highway Department. This position requires experience with personnel management, all aspects of highway and bridge construction and maintenance, employee and contractor oversight, equipment operation and maintenance, job safety, mechanical ability, record keeping and communicative skills, assistance with budget development, any other tasks assigned by the Selectboard. The position is part-time, requiring a flexible schedule which may include nights, weekends, and holidays.

# Level of Responsibility

The Road Foreman works under the broad supervision of the Selectboard and reports directly to the Selectboard which is the Road Commissioner, and/or a specific member of the Selectboard, if one is appointed.

# **Major Duties**

The Road Foreman's duties shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Plan, supervise and coordinate daily highway department operations and projects. This is a "working foreman" position and requires ability to operate all town equipment and perform the same jobs as other department employees when necessary.
- Monitor department operations and respond to problems on a daily basis, including complaints by the public. Relate to Town citizens in a professional, courteous, and respectful manner, appropriately responding to their complaints. Where unsure how to handle a complaint, communicate with the Selectboard.
- Supervise personnel to obtain top quality workmanship, efficiency, employee satisfaction and morale. Ensure proper safety procedures are followed; bring unusual personnel problems to the attention of the Selectboard. Oversee employee training requirements.
- Maintain accurate records of all purchases and submit invoices to the Town Treasurer weekly.
- Carry out a regular maintenance schedule for routine and preventative maintenance of equipment and keep records on all major pieces of equipment.



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- Recognize and communicate to supervisor any priority projects or problems.
- Recommend, communicate, and cooperate with Selectboard as appropriate in all areas and specifically in:
  - Assisting with review of plans, cost estimates and specifications for highway projects.
- Follow weather conditions affecting highways and make provisions for any extra maintenance required. Ensure 24-hour coverage for emergency situations. High priority to winter maintenance: plowing sanding and salting operations. Requires night and weekend work.
- Maintain a working knowledge of federal, state, and local statutes and regulations affecting department operations.
- Perform any such other work as deemed necessary by Selectbaord.
- Maintain roads to Vermont Agency of Transportation Standards.
- Attend required, or elective, VTRANS or Municipal Training Workshops

# Qualifications

The Road Foreman will have the following qualifications:

- Possess at least a high school diploma or GED.
- Commercial Driver's License, with proper endorsements and medical card.
- Significant construction or public works experience;
- Considerable knowledge of road construction and maintenance, culvert installation, etc.:
- Experience driving trucks, plowing snow, and operating heavy equipment.
- Knowledge of highway maintenance practices and road repair techniques in all weather conditions;
- Experience or working knowledge of paving and paving materials and practices, drainage, and culvert construction.
- Knowledge of safe gravel pit practices;
- Ability to perform routine service and maintenance of Town Highway Department equipment;
- Ability to communicate well, and guide and direct others;
- Ability to withstand exposure to varying weather conditions and exertion of significant physical effort.
- Ability to inspect roads of Goshen on a timely basis during winter snow events and be available at the Town Garage within 20 minutes when needed.



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# Term of Employment

The Road Foreman will be hired by the Selectboard after interview(s) and reference checks. Terms of employment, compensation and benefits will be set by the Selectboard. Six-month probationary period will be a condition of employment. The Road Foreman will pass a mandated drug test prior to start of work in compliance with Federal Law and will be subject to random drug testing during his or her employment.

#### **Evaluations**

Annual evaluations detailing the performance of the Road Foreman will be performed by Selectboard, which acts as the Road Commissioner, if appointed, during which the Foreman will be afforded an opportunity to respond the evaluation.

### Disclaimers

The above information is intended to describe the general nature of this position and should not be considered a comprehensive statement of duties, activities, responsibilities, and requirements. Additional duties, activities, responsibilities, and requirements may be assigned, with or without notice, at any time. This job description is neither an employment contract nor a promise of work for any specific length of time.

### **Equal Employment Opportunity**

The Town of Goshen is an Equal Employment Opportunity employer.

## **Compensation and Benefits**

Compensation will be negotiated with the Selectboard annually and will be based on satisfactory job performance.

If you are interested in this position please email or mail the application and letter of interest to the selectboard by July 15, 2023.

#### Email:

selectbaord@goshenvt.org or mail to

# <u>Mail:</u>

Attn: Selectboard Town of Goshen 50 Carlisle Hill Road Goshen, Vermont 05733