

MECHANIC/HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

The Town of Westwood is accepting applications for the position of Mechanic/Heavy Equipment Operator, which provides skilled technical and manual work in the maintenance, repair and operation of heavy motor equipment, trucks and other Department of Public Works vehicles and equipment; as well as all other related work as required.

Responsibilities and duties include, but are not limited to:

- Repairs and maintains town vehicles, heavy equipment and all other public works vehicles, including front-end loaders, backhoes, catch basin cleaners, various trucks and police/emergency vehicles.
- Performs major and minor engine repair on gasoline and diesel-powered vehicles.
- Repairs and tests brake systems, suspension systems, exhaust systems, heating and cooling systems and transmissions.
- Installs special equipment such as plow frames, lights, radios and special wiring; performs electric, acetylene and arc welding as needed.
- Performs complex diagnostic and repair work using sophisticated testing equipment.
- Operates specialized and heavy equipment, such as backhoes, front-end loader, road sander, asphalt roller and other public works vehicles; performs manual labor incidental to the work of operating assigned equipment.
- Operates vehicles providing roadway snow removal, sanding and scraping ice; assists in emergency highway repairs and in other public works-related emergency repairs. Provides on-call duties during snow emergencies.
- Performs similar or related work as required or as situation dictates.

Qualifications and experience: High School graduate or equivalent; 5 years of experience in maintenance and repair of diverse equipment used in public works operations, including 3 years' experience repairing hydraulic equipment; or any equivalent combination of education and experience. Working knowledge of public works heavy motor equipment operation and mechanics; working knowledge of the materials and techniques required for roadway construction, maintenance and repair projects. Working knowledge of diagnostic equipment.

Massachusetts Class B/Commercial Driver's License required; Massachusetts Hoisting Engineer's license required; 2A preferred, 2B and 4G required. Massachusetts Vehicle Inspection license desirable. Additional certification in equipment repair, or equivalent years of on-the-job experience.

Salary: This is a 40 hour-per-week, benefit-eligible, union position. Starting rate is \$2,138.74 biweekly.

Posted September 15, 2020. Posting open until filled. Resumes reviewed as received.
Equal Opportunity Employer