

F450 Replacement Truck Recommendation

Attached are estimates to purchase a 2025 Ford F600 to replace the current 2011 Ford F450 in our fleet.

When it comes to F series trucks, the larger the number the heavier the suspension. We are wanting to go up to support a larger salt spreader and a larger plow. The current F450 we have had a 9'2" plow and it is an odd size. The pickup trucks run 8'2" and the 6500 runs a 10". The new F600 can support and run the same size as the Chevy 6500. The reason for the larger salt spreader is it can stay out longer between fill ups, but the other is the current one on the 450 is too short.

The new truck would be Diesel. The ford 6.7 Power stroke. Maintenance should run low for the next few years, after that we will start fighting damage from the salt.

The Town will trade in the f450.

DPW contacted Don Hinds Ford, Capitol City Ford, and Tom Wood Ford.

Don Hinds came in at \$68,466.25
Capitol City Ford came in at \$69,261.35
Tom Wood Ford did not respond

DPW recommends purchasing the new F600 from **Don Hinds Ford for \$68,466.25**

F450 Replacement Accessories

Attached are estimates for the equipment for the new truck. DPW reached out to Midstate truck equipment, Clark Equipment, and Reading truck.

Midstate Truck came in at \$40,512.00
Reading truck came in at \$38,649.00
Clark Equipment came in at \$44,280.00

DPW recommends purchasing plow, spreader, bed, and controls from Midstate truck equipment for \$40,512.00. Midstate is going to install a Boss plow that is the same as our current Chevy 6500. The lowest bid is not installing the same brand so we would have to keep a different set of parts on hand for that brand. Midstate will also be installing the same controls that are in our other salt trucks so we would not have to train on a new system. Midstate is also the closest location for repairs.