

Capital Improvements

PROJECT DETAIL SHEET

Fiscal Year: 2021

Department: Fire, Police, DPW, EMA

Project Title: Message Board Trailer

Requested Amount: \$20,000



Description: Purchase a second Message Board Trailer

Project Overview:

The ability to deliver important messages to the community will be greatly enhanced by the addition of a second message board. The May 2013 Annual Town Meeting approved the purchase of the first trailer mounted message board. It has been used to inform residents of dangerous conditions, road closures, water restrictions, traffic delays and parking restrictions. When informing motorists of traffic pattern changes a second board is almost always required. When needed, acquiring additional boards has proven challenging and has resulted in communication difficulty and delays.

Financial impact of this project on the department's operating budget:

Message Board Trailers require little maintenance and are covered under warranty for the first year of use.

The Fire department will no longer be required to pay a firefighter overtime to pick up and return the second message board required during Hanover Day.

The DPW will see a reduction in the amount of money spent on message board rentals. The current rental rate for a message board is \$25.00 per day.