

OWN A PIECE OF WELLESLEY HISTORY



The Town of Wellesley is offering residents the opportunity to purchase a Fire Alarm Box. These boxes were part of a system that notified the Fire Department of any emergencies that were occurring in Town. The approximately 250 boxes were located on telephone poles throughout the Town and each one had a number assigned to it. When the box was pulled, that number would be transmitted to the Fire Station and a Firefighter would look up the number to find the location of the incident as well as what Fire apparatus should respond. As time went on and technology such as cell phones came into wide use, the need for a network of hard wired emergency boxes became less necessary. The Fire Department along with the Municipal Light Plant have taken on a project whereby all of the street boxes have been removed from the poles throughout Town and fire boxes that are on municipal, commercial and educational facilities will be converted to a new wireless technology.

The sale of these boxes will allow residents to own a little bit of Wellesley history. Any resident who wishes to purchase a box can do so by contacting the Fire Department, Monday thru Friday, 8-5 and asking for the Shift Captain. Boxes will also be available for inspection and purchase in the Selectmen's Office at Town Hall. The cost of each box is \$50.00 and checks should be made payable to the Town of Wellesley.