

Blount County Government

TO: Blount County Commissioners

FROM: Highway Department

RE: Ford F550 Truck

DATE: July 25, 2024

We are requesting a budget increase of \$89,515 to be used to purchase a Ford F550 (Shop Truck). The purchase of this new shop truck would allow the shop employees to make necessary fleet repairs in the field. By having this option, this would make all crews more efficient but the downtime for equipment would be cut considerably. At this time, the piece of equipment has to be transported to the shop building on McArthur Road where the repairs would be made. If the repairs could be made on the jobsite, the equipment could be back in use quicker. This helps with the making the Highway Department as efficient as possible. The goal of this department is to be as efficient and time sensitive on getting the necessary repairs/projects completed quickly. Keeping equipment in working order is a huge part of that and this shop truck would make this possible.

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