

Hearings held on proposed road closures

(KLZA)--Richardson County Commissioners conducted a pair of public hearings on proposed road closings during their Tuesday, April 16, meeting.

Ben and Paula Sue Steffen were present for the first hearing. They were not in opposition to the proposal to close a portion of 648 Avenue, south of 706 Road.

This is a portion of a dirt road, south of Highway 8, leading to to the Nemaha River but there is not a bridge crossing the river.

The second hearing concerned possible closure of 709 Road east of 661 Avenue which is north of Rulo.

Mark Jones who lives and farms in the area said the bridge should be fixed and the road remain open. Merle Bachman who owns property in the area said if the road is closed, the bridge pilings would have to remain in tact as required by the Corps of Engineers.

A lawsuit concerning the bridge on the road has not been settled at this point.

Commissioners are expected to discuss resolutions on closing both roads during their April 23 meeting.

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