Richardson County Sheriff meets with Commissioners

(KLZA)-- Richardson County Commissioners Tuesday adopted a resolution setting the number of deputies to be appointed by the Sheriff.

The new resolution allows for one Chief Deputy Sheriff; one full-time Patrol Sergeant; one full-time Training Sergeant; five full-time deputies and one law enforcement dog. That will give the department the authority to have up to 8 positions in addition to the Sheriff.

Following the adoption of the resolution Commissioners approved Sheriff Rick Hardesty's appointment of Roland Merwin as the Chief Deputy, effective immediately.

In other business the Board approved the purchase of a 2020 Ford F150 crew cab 4x4 pickup form Hullman's Ford in Falls City through the Nebraska State Bid contract in the amount of \$31,524.

This is the third pickup purchased for the Department this fiscal year. Commissioners have been reviewing the vehicle fleet, mileage and mechanical issues and felt it was better to purchase another new pickup than spend a substantial sum to repair another one.

The Board also approved entering into an agreement with the HTRS School District to provide a School Resource Officer for 20 hours per week during the school year for a fee the school district will pay the County in an amount of \$20-thousand. The contract will run through May, 2022.

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