

Excavator purchase approved by Richardson County Board

**(KLZA)-- Richardson County Commissioners approved the purchase of a new excavator for the County Road and Bridge Department when they met Tuesday.**

**A 2021 Sany excavator from A-1 Iron Corporation in LaVista, Nebraska will be purchased at a cost of \$143,989. The base bid was \$162,489 less the trade-in amount of \$18,500 for a 2006 John Deer 120 excavator.**

**Highway Superintendent Steve Darveau said the Sany machine is built in Georgia but is just becoming available in the U.S. The machine is to be delivered by April 1.**

**There were seven bids submitted. A Hyundai excavator was bid at \$131,700 with a trade-in amount allowed at just over \$40-thousand, but the machine would not have been available for delivery for at least four months.**

**Commissioners also approved a purchase order for equipment to be installed in two new patrol vehicles that will be paid for with USDA grant funds. The purchase order was in an amount of \$4,836.**

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