

Richardson County discusses jail expansion with Jail Standards

(KLZA)-- Richardson County Commissioners met with Denny Macomber, Director of Nebraska Jail Standards during their Tuesday meeting.

Commissioners asked Macomber to meet with them to review options that could be considered to increase the inmate capacity at the Richardson County Jail, which currently can house 24 inmates.

Macomber estimated the expansion cost to be approximately \$170,000 for each bunk added. He said that counties, the State of Nebraska and Federal Prisons are looking for places to house prisoners due to overcrowding.

Last week Sheriff Rick Hardesty discussed the possibility of adding more space for inmates at the law enforcement center to avoid having to move inmates to other facilities and having to pay to house the inmates.

No action was taken following the discussion.

Commissioners did vote to enter into an agreement letter with D.A. Davidson & Company for them to serve as the placement agent with the Nebraska Association of County Officials Lease Purchase agreement for the financing of a communication tower and equipment in an amount of \$620,737.

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