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Equipment purchases approved for Richardson Co Sheriff's office

**(KLZA)-- Richardson County Commissioners met with Sheriff Rick Hardesty, Chief Deputy Roland Merwin and Deputy Joshua Townsend on Tuesday.**

**Deputy Townsend requested permission from the Board to utilize his personal drug dog with the Sheriff's Department. The County currently has a K-9 unit on duty.**

**The Board directed the Sheriff and Deputy Townsend to review this idea with County Attorney Doug Merz.**

**Discussion was also held concerning a current issue with a lack of space for inmates at the jail. Sheriff Hardesty reported that a survey, being conducted on the Sheriff's website has more than 300 responses with most being in favor of adding more beds to the current facility.**

**Commissioners approved the purchase of equipment through a state contract to upgrade finger print procedures at a cost of \$20,653.**

**The purchase of equipment for e-citation issuance at a cost of \$12,732 was also approved. Grant funds from the Nebraska Crime Commission will be used to pay for his equipment. Mounting kits and supplies for the e-citation equipment at a cost of \$2,396 was also approved.**

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