Richardson County to receive more funds through ARPA program

(KLZA)—Richardson County Commissioners visited via conference call with American Rescue Plan Administrator Austin Duerfeldt last week in regards to additional funds appropriated through the American Rescue Plan Act which recently launched the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund for eligible revenue sharing counties.

Richardson County is eligible to receive \$50 thousand for 2022 and 2023.

The Board authorized County Treasurer Amanda Bartek – Ramsey to complete payment information and sign program terms and conditions to receive the funds for the County.

County IT Manager Joe Buckminster updated Commissioners on the county network system, explaining the need for an upgrade for the antivirus protection for the county's computers to meet the requirements for cyber insurance and endpoint protection.

Commissioners approved the purchase of nearly \$6,500 worth of software for the upgrades from Barracuda Remove Monitoring & Management with Avast Business.

Highway Superintendent Steve Darveau, Jr. reported he had received a letter from Martin-Marietta regarding the increase in the price of rock starting January 1 at the DuBois Quarry. An additional 80-cents per ton will be added to all stone products on July 1, 2023.

Darveau also reported he is completing bid specifications for the "Dustless Highway" and "Boy Scout Road" for resurfacing.

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