Richardson County Board approves purchase of warning siren (KLZA)-- Richardson County Commissioners approved the purchase of an outdoor warning siren from Federal Signal Safety & Security System in an amount of \$34,898 when they met Wednesday.

Arrangements will be made with the City of Falls City to ensure the entire area of the corporate limits of Falls CIty are covered by the outdoor warning siren signal.

Emergency Management Agency Director Brian Kirkendall presented a request to the Board to increase the wages for the radiological response team and storm spotters. Commissioners approved a wage increase for Emergency Management Specialist position 1, storm spotters at \$12 per hour and Emergency Management Specialist position 2, radiological team and storm spotters at \$14 per hour effective as of March 20, 2024.

The Board also approved a salary increase for the clerical staff position in the Cooperative Extension Service Office to \$17.60 per hour, effective as of March 18, 2024. Extension Educator Kaytlyn Kennedy had requested the office clerical staff wages be set at the same as other clerical positions within the County ranging from \$17.60 per hour to \$20 per hour.

Commissioners awarded a bid for some concrete repair work around the Courthouse square to Schawang Masonry in an amount of \$15,843. The Schawang bid was the only one submitted.

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