



## **RICE COUNTY BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

**BACKGROUND:** The Rice County Board of Commissioners appoints citizen representatives to serve on the Rice County Board of Adjustment. The membership, terms and functions are set by Minn. Stat. Subd. 394.27.

**PURPOSE:** The Board of Adjustment has the exclusive authority to review variance requests of the Zoning & Septic Ordinance adopted by Rice County; hold public hearings; and make final decisions granting or denying the requested variances from the Zoning & Septic Ordinance.

**MEMBERSHIP & TERMS:** The Board of Adjustment consists of four (4) members appointed by the County Board, representing an even distribution of geographic areas in the County. One (1) member is elected from the Planning Commission membership to bring the total membership to five (5) Board of Adjustment members. The term of each appointed member shall be for three (3) years. Each member may be eligible for reappointment, but not more than three (3) consecutive three (3) year terms. The Planning Commission representative is elected for a one (1) year term. Meetings are held twice a month or at the call of the Chairperson. Members are compensated in an amount set by the County Board.