

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE
RICE COUNTY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Commissioner's Room / Government Services Building
Tuesday, August 4, 2026, at 8:30 AM**

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(At each Committee of the Whole Work Session meeting, the floor will be open to solicit public comments on items on the agenda after they are presented. A Comment Card must be completed to discuss any of the items. Public comments will be limited to (3) minutes for each person, subject to the discretion of the County Board Chairperson) Gerry Hoisington was to be Chair but was absent. Charlie Peters took over as Chair.

II. OUTSIDE AGENCY:

- A.** Prairie's Edge Humane Society gave a brief overview of the 2027 Funding Request. Future Plans and a breakdown of how the money is allocated.
- B.** Hope Center gave a brief overview of the 2027 Funding Request. Future plans and a breakdown of how the money is allocated.
- C.** Rice Soil & Water Conservation District gave a brief overview of the 2027 Funding Request. Future plans and a breakdown of how the money is allocated.
- D.** The Rice County Historical Society gave a brief overview of the 2027 Funding Request. Future plans and a breakdown of how the money is allocated.
- E.** Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation gave a brief overview of the 2027 Funding Request. Future plans and a breakdown of how the money is allocated.
- F.** SEMCAC gave a brief overview of the 2027 Funding Request. Future plans and a breakdown of how the money is allocated.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Galen Malecha, seconded by Jim Purfeerst, to adjourn the meeting.

RESULT: Approved, AYES: Steve Underdahl, Galen Malecha, Jim Purfeerst, Charlie Peters, NAYS: None