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**Hennepin County**  
**Citizen Advisory Boards**  
**Committee Summary**

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<b>Advisory Board Name</b>	Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed Bd
<b>Origin</b>	Established on July 31, 1969 by Watershed Act, Chapter.112, to carry out conservation of natural resources through land utilization, flood control and other needs based upon sound scientific principles for the protection of the public health and welfare and the provident use of natural resources. The Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek Watershed District provides for the management of the water and related land resources within the area tributary to Riley-Purgatory-Bluff Creek.
<b>Duties/Responsibilities</b>	One of the most important responsibilities of the Watershed District is the preparation and implementation of a Plan for the management of the water and related land resources of the District. Project plans of private developers, the state, counties and cities must be submitted to the Watershed District Managers for review and approval. The District issues permits in order to protect the water and related land resources.
<b>Composition</b>	Five members: 4 appointed by the Hennepin County Board and 1 appointed by Carver County
<b>Term</b>	3 years
<b>Meetings</b>	Meets at 7:00 pm on the first Wednesday of every month at the Eden Prairie City Hall, 8080 Mitchell Rd. Special meetings are held to view and act on development projects. A member is expected to devote an average of 16 hours per month to watershed district work.
<b>Eligibility Requirements</b>	A member may not be a public officer of the County, State or federal government, and must be a resident of the district, which in Carver County includes the City of Chanhassen, and in Hennepin County includes Bloomington, Eden Prairie, Minnetonka, Deephaven and Shorewood. Members must have a desire to serve and have a keen interest in water problems from both a social and a government standpoint.
<b>Compensation</b>	\$50 a meeting day
<b>Reimbursement</b>	Travel and other expenses
<b>Other Information</b>	Because of the nature of the Board, it is helpful to have members who have a background in water conservation, development, law, engineering, environment, administration, etc.

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