

**BALDWIN TOWNSHIP  
SHERBURNE COUNTY, MINNESOTA  
Resolution No. 09-03**

**A RESOLUTION AGREEING TO THE CREATION OF A  
JOINT COMMITTEE WITH THE CITY OF PRINCETON  
TO CONSIDER THE ORDERLY DEVELOPMENT OF THE AREA**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Princeton (“City”) and Baldwin Township (“Town”) have been discussing annexation issues, incorporation, and the future development of the two communities in response to annexation requests the City has received from owners within the Town;

**WHEREAS**, the City adopted Resolution #09-10 to establish a joint committee with the Town to jointly promote the orderly development of the larger Princeton/Baldwin Township area;

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board determines it is desirable to continue discussing development and growth issues with the City and that appointing members to a joint committee can be a productive forum for such discussions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board further determines the committee can only be effective if it reviews and considers all options either party wishes to discuss. Incorporation must be part of the discussion together with any options the City may wish to raise regardless of the statement in the City’s resolution opposing incorporation. Any attempt by either party to unilaterally take an issue off the table or to otherwise refuse to fully consider the available options will undermine cooperation and the hope of reaching a mutually agreed upon vision for the future of the area.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Town Board agrees to the establishment of a joint committee with the City for the purposes of discussing and making recommendations to the City Council and Town Board concerning the orderly development of the area including issues such as, but not limited to, future development, planning, zoning, need for public services and their delivery, annexation, incorporation, consolidation, and such other issues as the committee determines are appropriate to develop appropriate recommendations to the City and Town regarding the planned and orderly development of the area; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, the Town Board hereby appoints Jeff Holm and Jim Oliver to the committee and authorizes them to participate in committee meetings as the Town’s representatives. The committee shall only be advisory and shall not have the power to take any actions on behalf of, or to otherwise bind, the Town. Any recommendations the committee may choose to make must be forwarded to the Town Board for its consideration and possible action.

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2009.

**BY THE TOWN BOARD**

  
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Jeff Holin, Chairperson

Attest: Cathy Stevens  
Cathy Stevens, Clerk-Treasurer