

TOWN OF BROOKFIELD
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
TOWN HALL, BANQUET ROOM

MINUTES OF MAY 4, 2010

EXECUTIVE SESSION #2 OF 4

At about 9:05 pm, Mr. Heller called the second Executive Session to order giving reason #6 below:

(6) To consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property, if an open discussion may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the governmental body with a person, firm, or corporation.

55 Mill Street:

Mr. Heller reported that on the morning of Election Day (May 3, 2010), he had received a telephone call from the Auctioneer for Spencer Savings Bank relative to the Town's possible purchase of bank-owned property. The property in question is located at 55 Mill Street and is known as the Spencer Plating factory. This building abuts the current "Brownfield site" and is across the road from the Highway garage.

The auctioneer said that the bank wanted to sell the property to the Town "as is" and at the cost of \$20,000. Mr. Heller reported that he had told the auctioneer that this would have to be reviewed with the Selectmen before any action may be taken.

Mr. Heller asked the other Board members their opinions. The property is being sold "as is" as there is the possibility of hazardous waste and it appears that the building is in no condition to be rehabilitated. Since it has a sprinkler system, it would have to be heated throughout the winter whether it is used or not. Mr. Allen expressed his reservations since the Town had no current need for the building and could potentially incur significant costs if there were hazardous waste from the plating operation. However, before ruling out the acquisition, the Board agreed that Mr. Heller should discuss this option with the Water Department Superintendent and the Highway Department Superintendent and report back to them.

At about 9:15 pm, Mr. O'Connell moved to adjourn this Executive Session and proceed to the next one; Mr. Allen voted aye; Mr. O'Connell voted aye; Mr. Heller voted aye; so voted.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna L. Neylon, Administrative Assistant

Date approved by Board: _____

Date Released: December 11.2012