

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

MINUTES OF MAY 18, 2010
EXECUTIVE SESSION #2 OF 3

At about 9:14 pm, Mr. Heller called the second Executive Session to order giving reason #3 below:

(3) - "To discuss strategy relating to collective bargaining or to litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the governmental body, to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel, to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel."

a. To determine whether a governmental body may discuss collective bargaining or litigation strategy in executive session, the test is whether the discussion is directly related to the governmental body's collective bargaining position in ongoing or imminent negotiations. If challenged, the governmental body must show that an open meeting might have a "detrimental effect" on its bargaining or litigating position.

b. For purposes of the Law, "collective bargaining sessions" include not only the bargaining sessions but also any grievance hearings that are called for under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement.

Town Hall Roof:

The Board reviewed the letter from Town Counsel relative to slates falling off the Town Hall Roof. Town Counsel suggests that both the architect and the installer of slates have responsibility for any problems in slate installation, but that the first step is for the Town to hire an independent expert to document problems in slate installation causing pieces to fall off the roof. Mr. O'Connell moved to authorize James Allen and Donna Neylon to work with Town Counsel to pick and hire the best expert with a maximum expenditure of \$5,000 to be paid for from Town Hall Improvement Account; Mr. Allen seconded; so voted.

At about 9:20 pm, Mr. O'Connell moved to adjourn this Executive Session and proceed to the next; Mr. Allen seconded. 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