THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
ONE ASHBURTON PLACE
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02108

MARTHA COAKLEY
ATTORNEY GENERAL

(617) 727-2200
(617) 727-4765 TTY
www.mass.gov/ago

September 6, 2012

RECEIVED
SEP 10 2012
BOARD OF SELECTMAN

James Correia
11 Fiskdale Road
Brookfield, MA 01506

Dear Mr. Correia:

We understand that on or about August 6, 2012 you filed a complaint with the Brookfield Board of Selectmen, alleging a violation of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 18-25. The public body is required to notify our office of the complaint and any remedial action taken to address the complaint. See G.L. c. 30A, § 23(b) and 940 CMR 29.05(5). Our office received notification and a response from the Brookfield Board of Selectmen on August 10, 2012.

Under the Open Meeting Law, a complaint is ripe for review by our office when the complainant files a copy of the initial complaint with the Division of Open Government, provided that at least 30 days have passed since that complaint was filed with the public body. See G.L. c. 30A, § 23(b) and 940 CMR 29.05(6). Our office currently has no record of a complaint filed by you in this matter. Accordingly, we will presume that the action taken by the public body was sufficient and will close this file unless we receive a request for further review by this office and a copy of the initial complaint by October 31, 2012.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions about the Open Meeting Law complaint process.

Sincerely,

Philip Mantyla
Paralegal
Division of Open Government

cc: Donna L. Neylon, Administrative Assistant, Brookfield Board of Selectmen