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TOWN OF BROOKLINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE BOARD of SELECTMEN

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Minutes Board of Selectmen Non Public Session (1) Monday, July 16, 2012

Selectmen Clarence Farwell, Darrell Philpot, Jack Flanagan, Karl Dowling and John Carr were present along with Town Administrator Tad Putney.

Police - Shank

The Selectmen reviewed a public statement that Tad prepared after receiving a letter from the Attorney General's Office:

On August 12, 2011 a front page article appeared in the Nashua Telegraph with the headline "Domestic Abuse Case Unreported – Brookline Police Department fails to follow procedure in chief's son's case" In response to the article the Board requested the Attorney General investigate if protocols had not been followed and committed to inform residents when the investigation was complete. Last week the Board received a letter, dated July 9, 2012, from an Assistant Attorney General, stating in part "It has been determined that in this case there was no violation of the Attorney General's Office Law Enforcement: A Model Protocol for Police Response to Domestic Violence Cases...this office will therefore take no further action in this matter." This finding was based on an investigation conducted by a retired police chief who has 37 years of law enforcement experience and is the prime author of the Domestic Violence Protocol as well as a member of the NH State Police Family Services Unit.

The Board of Selectmen appreciates the assistance of the Attorney General's Office in reviewing the issues raised in this case and now views the matter as having been resolved.

Minutes will be sealed.

Minutes submitted by Rena Duncklee.

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Darrell Philpot

Jack B. Flanagan

Karl D. Dowling