

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition, Declaration of Dividend

On January 30, 2013, Brookline Bancorp, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing its earnings for the quarter ended December 31, 2012 and full year 2012. Additionally, the Company announced the approval by its Board of Directors of a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.085 per share payable on February 27, 2013 to stockholders of record on February 13, 2013. A copy of that press release is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

99.1 Press release issued January 30, 2013.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: January 30, 2013 **BROOKLINE BANCORP,
INC.**

By: /s/ Julie A. Gerschick
Julie A. Gerschick
Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

The following exhibits are furnished as part of this report:

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release of Brookline Bancorp, Inc. dated January 30, 2013