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BROOKLINE BANCORP INC  
Form 8-K  
July 20, 2007

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 19, 2007

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BROOKLINE BANCORP, INC.  
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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	0-23695	04-3402944
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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File No.)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

160 Washington Street, Brookline, Massachusetts	02447-0469
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(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

(617) 730-3500

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable  
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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition, Declaration of Dividends and Stock Repurchase Program

On July 19, 2007, Brookline Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") announced its earnings for the 2007 second quarter and approval by its Board of Directors of a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.085 per share and an extra dividend of \$0.20 per share payable August 15, 2007 to stockholders of record on July 31, 2007. The Board of Directors also authorized the repurchase of an additional 2,000,000 shares of the Company's common stock.

See exhibit no. 99.1 attached hereto for the press release relating to this matter.

Item 5.02b. Retirement of a Member of the Board of Directors

William G. Coughlin retired as a director of Brookline Bancorp, Inc. on July 19, 2007 after 31 years of dedicated service.

SIGNATURE

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.

BROOKLINE BANCORP, INC.

Date: July 20, 2007

By: /s/ Paul R. Bechet

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Paul R. Bechet  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

The following exhibits are furnished as part of this report:

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release of Brookline Bancorp, Inc. dated July 19, 2007