Monthly Statics: January shelter statistics were reviewed, available here:

https://www.portlandmaine.gov/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/853

Family Services: Jeff and Sarah reviewed what was discussed at the last ad-hoc family services meeting; the minutes are available here:

https://www.portlandmaine.gov/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Item/5979?fileID=32592

LTS: Donna – Preble Street appreciates the data and numbers going down but are concerned that the projections are overly optimistic and don’t take into consideration forces such as market availability.

Legislative update: If what was agreed to on the budget for March 23rd would see a two-year pause on sequestration.

The president’s budget would severely cut services across the board including changes to Section 8; this is not supported by congress but does show where the administration stands.

State:

- 2 bills on opioids 1711 and 17
- Bill to help make recovery residences work better
- A large bond
- Naloxone availability for individuals under 21
- 11.15 waiver


George was at a community policing office and heard about a mass eviction and asked if the shelter system has heard of or seen it reflected in the numbers. Jeff- 41 chestnut is evicted tenants that are doubled or triples up for over-occupancy. Steve – no one is reporting that that is why people are coming into OSS.