



State of Maine LOSAP
LOSAP Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2020

Attendees: Bill Gillespie, Fred Brewer, Stephan Bunker, and Jeff Brackett

Guests: Duane Bickford, Unappointed Board member and Dan Brooks

The meeting was called to order by Bill Gillespie at 9:58

Approval of January 13, 2020 Minutes: Stephan Bunker Motion to Approve, Jeff Brackett seconded, All members present approved the minutes.

The Governor has added \$1.5 million in funding for LOSAP into her supplemental budget. Moving forward we will be funded under Department of Public Safety. This funding is for the 2020/2021 fiscal year only and will help to get the program established.

Ed Hoolihan (Penflex) and Dave Finger (National Volunteer Fire Council) have reached out to us about the LOSAP bill that Senator Collins has submitted. The board felt that the legislation is helpful but were concerned that firefighters would leave and take their money from the plan before they retire. Ed has said that he will honor the RFP that was previously submitted previously. Ed felt that we needed to focus on the point structure for EMS and what we want their points to accumulate during their service. The goal is to get a contribution for the May 2021 data due date.

For the legislative breakfast we need to emphasize why the program is important and why we need the money. All members in attendance were planning on going to the breakfast.

Just a reminder that the Legislative Breakfast hosted by Maine Fire Chiefs Association, Maine State Federation of Firefighters, Professional Firefighters of Maine, Maine Building Officials Inspector Association and Maine Fire Protection Services Commission is February 13, 2020 at 7:00.

Next meeting is March 9th at MMA's offices.

Stephan Bunker Motion to adjourn at 11:02, Jeff Brackett Seconded, all in Favor.

Respectively Submitted

Frederick Brewer

Future Meetings April 13th, May 11th, June 8th, July 13th and August 10th

