



CITY OF MALDEN

Health and Human Services/Board of Health

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Laura Vlasuk, Director

Malden Board of Health Meeting

Minutes

March 25, 2026

6:30pm

Rm 108, Malden City Hall

Board & Staff Present

Dr. Scune Carrington, Board Chair
Mr. John Colangeli

Board Member

Laura Vlasuk, Director of Health and Human Services

- Meeting called to order by Dr. Scune Carrington at 6:33 pm.
- Approval of Minutes of the February 25, 2026, meeting. Motion to approve minutes made by Mr. John Colangeli, seconded by Dr. Scune Carrington. Motion passes 2-0.
- Sunnyhurst - 19 Lebanon Street, Malden appeal of a \$1,000.00 ticket resulting from December 22, 2025, sale to a minor.
 - Maureen Buzby Regional Tobacco Prevention Program explained what transpired during the inspection that resulted in the sale to a minor
 - Arian Liton, manager of Sunnyhurst -19 Lebanon Street, spoke regarding that at the time of the inspection, the manager was in the restroom and the individual that sold to a minor was not trained to sell alone.
 - Dr. Scune Carrington inquired on the history of Sunnyhurst prior violation.
 - Maureen Buzy explained that in the last three years there have been no violations.
 - John Colangeli motioned to hold violation as is, seconded by Dr. Scune Carrington. Motion passed 2-0.
 - John Colangeli motioned to remove suspension of sales, seconded by Dr. Scune Carrington. Motion passed 2-0.

- John Colangeli motioned to modify the pay by date to June 25, 2026, seconded by Dr. Scune Carrington. Motion passed 2-0.
- Board acknowledged receipt of the draft Open Space and Recreation Plan (OSRP)
- Director's Report
 - We have offered the position of Public Health Nurse to Tai Nguyen he will be starting March 30 and will be appointed at the next Board meeting
 - Health and Human Services completed a Region 3 Drill
 - The Senior Center conducted 16 free tax appointments in the month of February
 - Health and Human Services will be hosting a Blood Drive at the Malden Senior Center on
 - Monday April 13th 9 am - 2 pm
 - Monday August 17th 9 am - 2 pm
- During routine compliance checks conducted on December 22, 2025, All Malden tobacco locations were inspected in February the following locations paid their fine.
 - Big Mike's, 180 Salem St. sold Zyn Chill 6mg to a minor 2 for \$19.10 resulting in a \$2,000 violation – This location previously sold a flavored product to an adult buyer on 2/4/2025. Violation payment made
- Number of Active TB (Tuberculosis) 9 cases (2 nonpulmonary - 7 pulmonary)
 - Total number of: Male 5
 - Total number of Female: 4
 - Ages 1-10 = 0
 - Ages 11-20 = 0
 - Ages 21-30 = 26 male
 - Ages 31-40 = 32F, 40F
 - Ages 41-50 = 46F
 - Ages 51-60 = 51M
 - Ages 60+ = 71F, 72M, 73M, 77M, 80M
 - No Travel Information available for last 30 days
- 13 Food Establishment inspections
 - 11 Food Services Inspections
 - 2 Retail Food Inspections
 - 63 Rental Units
 - 5 Complaints
- 2 individuals were transported to a rehabilitation center in February.
- Teen Enrichment Center provided a **3 Day February Snowshoeing trip to Cardigan Lodge** 19 participants enjoyed various activities. From snowshoeing, campfires, horror movies and cooking meals. This was a very well received bonding event enjoyed by all.
- Language Access Coordinator
 - Connecting Community members with English Classes & community resources

- Guest speaker at Medford City Hall for the Multilingual Liaisons Program
- Participated in 2 city-wide events with Malden Reads and The Great Malden Outdoors. Promoted Language Access, Language Ambassadors and Malden Connect programs
- Attended Language access in tech: multilingual digital services national webinar
- Organized Civic engagement activities for the community:
- Language access support was utilized 43 times including walk-ins and language line
- **In-Person**
 - Spanish • 7
 - Portuguese • 6
 - Haitian Creole • 4
- **Phone Line**
 - Haitian Creole • 4
 - Mandarin • 2
 - Portuguese • 7
 - Spanish • 7
 - Operator • 6
- The date for next Meeting set for April 15, 2026, at 6:30 pm.
- The Motion to adjourn is made at 7:23 pm by Mr. John Colangeli seconded by Dr. Scune Carrington. Motion passes 2 - 0.