



CITY OF LOWELL, MASSACHUSETTS
BOARD OF HEALTH

PRESENT:

JO-ANN KEEGAN, CHAIRPERSON
KATHLEEN CULLEN-LUTTER, MEMBER
ALISON KEEGAN, MEMBER
LISA GOLDEN, HHS DIRECTOR
WILLIAM GALVIN, MEMBER - ABSENT
ERIN GENDRON, MEMBER - ABSENT

Chairperson Jo-Ann Keegan called the meeting to order at 6:04PM

12/3/2025 - Minutes

1. NEW BUSINESS

1.I. For Approval: Minutes of the October 1, 2025 Board of Health meeting

Motion: to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2025 meeting of the Lowell Board of Health made by Alison Keegan, seconded by Kathleen Cullen-Lutter. All in favor.

1.II. For Approval: Minutes of the November 5, 2025 regular meeting of the Lowell Board of Health

Motion: To approve the minutes of the November 5, 2025 meeting of the Lowell Board of Health made by Kathleen Cullen-Lutter, seconded by Alison Keegan. All in favor.

1.III. For Review: Development Services Monthly Reports submitted by Matthew Sheehan, Sr. Sanitary Code Inspector

Sr. Sanitary Code Inspector Matthew Sheehan was present to review the reports with the Board. The Board accepted and placed on file.

1.IV. For Review: PrideStar EMS, Inc. Reports and Notifications submitted by Jon Kelley

Mr. Jon Kelley, Pridestar EMS Inc was present to review the reports with the Board and introduce Jacquelyn Allard, Lowell General Hospital Director of Emergency Services.

1.V. For Review: Tobacco Control Monthly Report submitted by Cesar Pungirum, Tobacco Control Program Director
The Board reviewed the report and placed on file.

1.VI. Nomination: Animal Inspector 2025-2026

Motion: To approve the nomination of Joren Kilsdonk as an Inspector of Animals made by Kathleen Cullen-Lutter, seconded by Alison Keegan.

VOTE:

Jo-Ann Keegan - Yes
Kathleen Cullen-Lutter - Yes
Alison Keegan - Yes
William Galvin - Absent
Erin Gendron - Absent
3 - Yes, 0 - No, 2 Absent

2. OLD BUSINESS

2.I. For Discussion: Syringe Service Programs

Health and Human Services Director Lisa Golden reviewed the provided information with the Board. The ordinance has not been passed by the City Council as of this time. However, it has been forwarded for further discussion to the City Council Public Safety Subcommittee. Chairperson Keegan also updated the Board regarding the Board indicating that the DPH and other speakers who attended the November 5, 2025 Board of Health meeting would be asked to attend the Subcommittee meeting once it is scheduled. HHS Director Golden will forward their contact information to the City Manager. Member Cullen-Lutter expressed interest in viewing maps that show a 500ft and 750ft buffer zone in the hopes of a possible compromise. HHS Director noted that as the proposed ordinance is currently written, the Health Department would have to remove the syringe kiosk currently available to residents. Chairwoman Keegan believed it would be helpful to have copies of the DPH grant(s) for these sites to be able to see the standard the State is trying to set for the Syringe Service programs. Member Cullen-Lutter noted that it would be helpful to also see maps with 500ft and 750ft alternative buffer zones.

3. DEPARTMENTAL/DIVISIONAL REPORTS AND UPDATES

3.I. Departmental and Divisional Reports and Updates

HHS Director reviewed the report, noting that the numbers in the reports are lower due to the earlier due date caused by the holiday. Staffing and new hires were discussed. Chairwoman Keegan noted that TB cases have almost doubled for the year.

4. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion: To adjourn the December 3, 2025 meeting of the Lowell Board of Health at 6:35PM made by Kathleen Cullen-Lutter, seconded by Alison Keegan. All in favor.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE LOWELL BOARD OF HEALTH WILL BE HELD ON
JANUARY 7, 2026 AT 6:00PM IN THE MAYOR'S RECEPTION ROOM
CITY HALL 375 MERRIMACK ST, 2ND FLOOR**