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# Wallingford Board of Health Meeting

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**December 3, 2025 – Town Hall,  
Room: 315**



# Agenda

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of Minutes – September 3, 2025
- 3. School Health
- 4. Director's Report – Vanessa Bautista
  - a. Health Statistics/Infectious Diseases (Anne Bernick)
- 5. Next Meeting – March 4, 2026
- 6. Adjournment

**Wallingford Board of Health  
45 South Main Street, Town Hall, Rm 315  
Minutes of September 3, 2025**

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 8:37 a.m. by Vanessa Bautista, Director of Health.

**Present:**

Mayor Cervoni, Kathy Neelon, Adriana Rodriguez, Isaac Cardona, Jeffrey Necio, Katie Nemeth, Tracey Weeks

**Present Virtually:** Len Guercia

**Excused:**

Dr. Smith, Medical Advisor

**Guests:**

Anne Bernick, Public Health Nurse

**Approval of Minutes:**

A motion to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2025 meeting was made by Isaac Cardona and seconded by Jeffrey Necio. The motion passed unanimously.

**Agenda Items**

**School Health**

No updates

**Director's Report**

(See attached Director's Report and PowerPoint presentation for details.)

- **Infectious Diseases:** Updates provided on TB monitoring, gastrointestinal illnesses, respiratory viruses, and foodborne illness investigations.
- **Environmental Health:** Reviewed inspection data; noted positive mosquito pools for West Nile Virus and public education efforts.
- **Emergency Preparedness:** Ongoing planning for 2026 Full-Scale Exercise; CPR trainings held with community and private sector; exploring generator for Sheehan High School shelter; HeartSafe Community signs being installed.
- **Community Outreach:** Wellness Fair held in July; Rotary Club presentation; Bingocize program launching; outreach through local events, coalitions, and Hearst Media public health ads.
- **Community Partnerships:** Planning for November Cardiac Screening Event; collaborating on SCRCOG bike/pedestrian grant; coordination on opioid settlement fund initiatives; contributions to POCD planning.
- **Public Health Policies:** Work underway with Law Department, PD, and P&Z on spa/massage ordinance.
- **Workforce Development:** Staff trainings completed in ICS OPTICS, QPR, measles, WEB EOC, Falls Risk, FDA Food Code, and DPH Lead Program; CPR Instructor recertification completed; upcoming ServSafe and Suicide Postvention trainings.
  - **Administrative:** Managing multiple funding streams including opioid settlement, Workforce Development, and SCRCOG grants; CredibleMind mental health app launched with settlement fund

**Adjournment:**

A motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Cervoni and seconded by Isaac Cardona. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 a.m.

**Next Meeting:**

December 3, 2025

Respectfully Submitted,

*Vanessa Bautista*

Approval of  
Minutes –  
September 3,  
2025

- Update from AIMEE TURNER, ASST. SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

**Wallingford Board of Health  
Director's Report for December 3, 2025**

**1. Infectious Diseases (Anne Bernick)**

- Respiratory Diseases
- TB

**2. Environmental:**

- Reviewed environmental health data (January–November 2025) see summary table in PowerPoint presentation

**3. Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP):**

- PHEP and ESF 8 meetings
- Wallingford FSX Meetings: 3 attended (planning for June 2026 Full-Scale Exercise)
- Quarterly Call-Down Drill conducted
- POD Inventory completed at OEM
- CPR Training: Aug 27 & 28 (Controlled Fluidics), Sept 25 (Public), Oct 2 (Holy Trinity School Staff), Oct 23 (Public), Nov 25 (YSS Babysitter Course). Upcoming: Dec 4 (Choate/YMCA), Dec. 9 (Adult Ed.), Dec. 18 (Sheehan HS CNA Class)
- Tabletop Exercises: Sept (bombing response) & 2025 EPPI Exercise. Upcoming: Medical Countermeasures-POD Planning & Response (December), Wallingford TTX (April)

**4. Community Outreach:**

- Housing Authority Talks with Fire Department – Falls & Home Safety
- Memory Lane Senior Center Wellness Talk - Oct 16 (Anna)
- Bingoize – Falls Prevention Program at Senior Center (Twice weekly, Sept 8 -Nov 19)
- Lunch & Learn: Falls Prevention at Housing Authority -Nov 18 & Nov 20
- Red Ribbon Week -Senior Presentation on medication safety (Oct 30)
- Veterans Day Event – Air Force Flag Bearer (Anne) -Nov 6
- Participated in community [tabling](#) events including Celebrate Wallingford, Garden Market, YMCA Community Health Fair, SCOW Provider Fair, and In [A Heartbeat](#) Cardiac Screening Event
- Attended multiple regional and local coalition meetings to strengthen partnerships and coordination
- Upcoming: Assisting CERT with annual Santa Event & Donating a Wellness Tree to the Coalition's Festival of Trees.

**5. Community Partnerships:**

- Partnership with National Fitness Campaign (NFC)- Fitness Court Project
- Collaborating with Program Planning Department on SCRCOG Active Transportation Microgrant to build a sustainable annual bike-ped safety program with trained volunteers.
- BOE Partnership -Workcamp 2026
- Coalition for a Better Wallingford

**6. Public Health Policies:**

- Received a draft of the local spa/massage parlor ordinance from the Law Department for review. Submitted all WHD comments and requested revisions back to Law

**7. Maintain a competent public health workforce:**

- Staff completed certifications and trainings including REHS, Phase II Subsurface Sewage, N95 Fit-Testing Train-the-Trainer, Suicide Postvention, CT Responds Platform Training, and NLPPW Lead (Pb) Webinars.
- Conferences include the Immunization Coalition, New England TB Clinicians, and the Yankee Environmental Health Conference, and CEHA annual Meeting.
- Upcoming training: [ServSafe](#) certification and trainer certification
- Supporting workforce development through ongoing training, webinars, and internship placements

**8. Administrative:**

- Continued management of all department grants, including the Public Health Workforce Development Grant, ELC2 (in close-out), and the Opioid Settlement Funds allocated toward the Fitness Court Project.
- Tablets purchased for all sanitarians to support rollout of the [FoodCode-Pro](#) digital inspection platform (6-month upgraded trial provided).
- Public Works installed three AEDs throughout Town Hall; units were donated by the In [A Heartbeat](#) Foundation.
- Coordinated with the Mayor's Office and Public Works to install sanitary napkin disposal units in the women's restrooms.
- Successfully filled the Part-Time Sanitarian position after improved hourly pay attracted a strong candidate pool.

Next Meeting: March 4, 2026

Respectfully Submitted,

*Vanessa Bautista*

Vanessa Bautista, RS, MPH  
Director of Health

# 1. Infectious Diseases

- Update from Anne Bernick on TB and respiratory illnesses.

## 2. Environmental Health

<b>Environmental Inspections</b>	<b>1/1/2025 - 11/26/2025</b>
<b>Food (302 Establishments, 22 Temp Events)</b>	<b>238</b>
<b>Cosmetology (106 Establishments)</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>Day Care (31 Establishments)</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Pool (19 Public Pools)</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>On-Site Lead Inspections</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Soil Testing</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Septic</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>Well</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>B-100A Change of Use</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Total Inspections</b>	<b>374</b>

<b>Complaints</b>	<b>1/1/2025 - 11/26/2025</b>
<b>Total Public Health Nuisance Complaints Received</b>	<b>85</b>
<b>Total Complaints Resolved</b>	<b>80</b>

### 3. Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP)



# LEARN ADULT HANDS ONLY CPR AND AED

WITH THE WALLINGFORD  
HEALTH DEPARTMENT

**JANUARY 22ND, 2026**

**5:30PM**

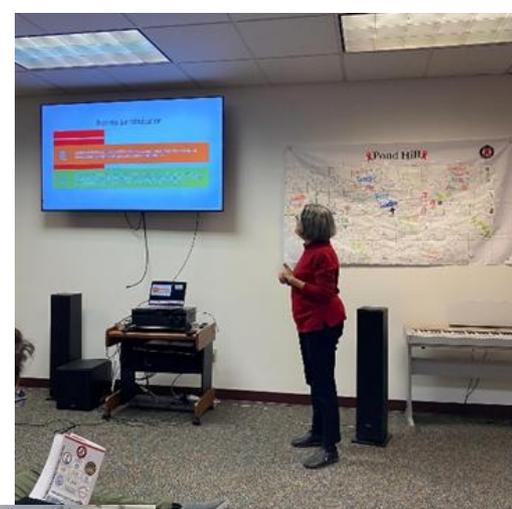
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**Call To Reserve A Spot**

**203-294-2065**



# 4. Community Outreach





[Fitness Court Studio](#)

# 5. Community Partnerships

## 6. Public Health Policies



**WALLINGFORD**  
C O N N E C T I C U T



**Code**



**New Laws**

# 7. Workforce Development



REHS Course



Yankee Conference



# 8. Administrative

# Adjournment

