

Maynard Police Department

Monthly Report

February 2026

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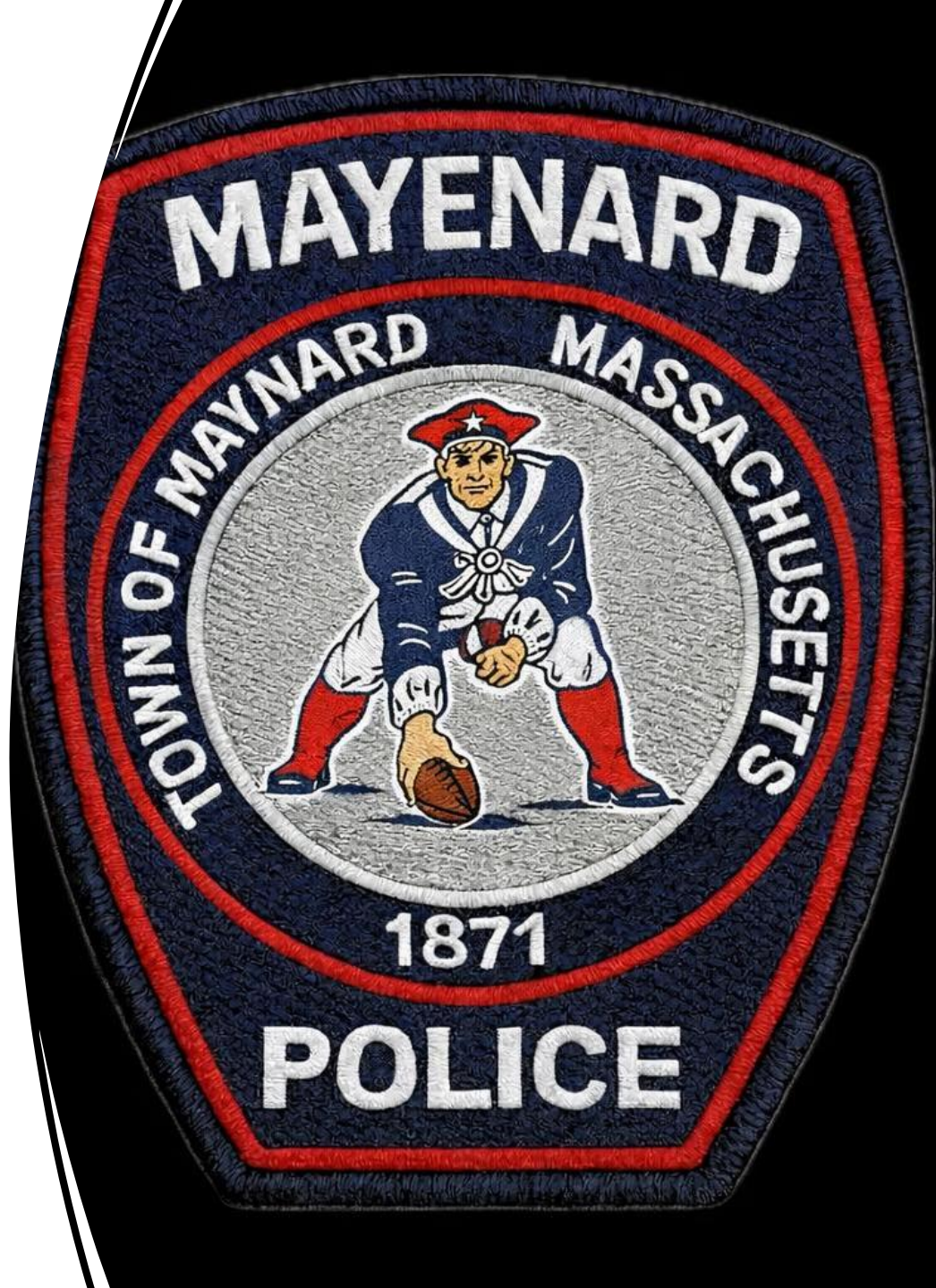


Welcome to Mayenard

The Town of Maynard Select Board unanimously voted that the Town of Maynard would change its name in honor of New England Patriots Quarterback Drake Maye on Sunday February 8th, 2026, for the Superbowl.

The Maynard Police Department also showed some extra support for our New England Patriots as they head into Super Bowl LX!

Thanks to a special authorization from Chief Christopher J. Troiano, our officers rocked Patriots winter hats in place of the standard department-issued hats while on duty leading up to the big game!



Incidents

On February 2nd, 2026, Officer Houle received a report from a resident of three fraudulent withdrawals from a bank account totaling over \$10,000. The incident was documented, the bank was contacted and a report is on file.

On February 4th, 2026, Officer Banatoski took a report of identity theft. A 1099 tax form was mailed to a resident who had not worked for this company. The incident was documented; the resident was advised to contact Social Security.

On February 8th, 2026, Officer Tully took a report of a fraudulent transaction. The resident received what appeared to be an invoice from the Town of Maynard, and funds were transferred. The incident was documented, the bank was contact and a report is on file.

On February 10th, 2026, Officer Howard responded to an apartment complex for a neighbor issue. A report was received that a resident was smoking inside of a unit. Officer Howard advised the resident of the no smoking policy. Property management was notified.

On February 24th, 2026, Officer Banatoski took a report of a street sign for Route 62 had been knocked over during the snowstorm and was uncovered by a business owner shoveling the sidewalk. The incident was documented and photographed.

On February 27th, 2026, Officer Houle received a report of a hit and run motor vehicle accident that occurred at Middlesex Savings Bank. The damage was documented and photographed. The incident is under investigation and camera footage is being reviewed.

Maynard Police Arrest and Charge Maynard Man with Trafficking Methamphetamine

A monthslong investigation led to members of the Maynard Police Department obtaining a search warrant for a Maynard apartment and then arresting a Maynard man on numerous drug charges.

- **JOHN FENTON, age 31, of MAYNARD,** was arrested and charged with:
 - Trafficking Methamphetamine (Over 36 Grams)
 - Possession of a Class A Substance with Intent to Distribute
 - Possession of a Class A Substance
 - Possession of a Class C Substance
 - Possession of a Class E Substance
 - Receiving Stolen Property Under \$1,200
 - Identity Fraud

On Monday, Feb. 9, Maynard Police obtained a search warrant for 145 Waltham St., Unit 5, as a result of a monthslong investigation into drug distribution in Maynard.

During service of the warrant, officers located more than 36 grams of methamphetamine and various other drugs inside the residence, along with packaging materials, drug paraphernalia, and several stolen identity documents.

“The success of this investigation reflects the tireless work, dedication, and professionalism of the Maynard Police Department’s Detectives and Patrol Officers, who worked diligently over many months to bring this case to a successful conclusion,” said Chief Troiano. “The Maynard Police Department remains steadfast in its commitment to protecting our community from the dangers associated with illegal narcotics. Those who choose to traffic illegal drugs should understand that they will be identified, investigated, and held accountable. Our department will relentlessly pursue individuals who engage in this behavior using every lawful tool and partnership available to us. I would also like to thank our local, state, and federal law enforcement partners who assisted throughout this investigation.”

These are allegations. All defendants are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.



Community Outreach

On February 10th, what could've been a pet owner's worst nightmare quickly became a happy ending, thanks to the teamwork of Maynard Police and Fire crews. Maynard Police and Fire responded to a call at Mill Pond from a resident reporting their dog, Rufus, had fallen into a hole in the ice. Fire and Police crews immediately jumped into action. The Maynard Police Drone Unit launched a drone over the ice to guide Maynard Fire Group 4 as they launched a full ice rescue. Within ten minutes, Rufus was pulled out of the water and back in his owner's arms.

On February 14th, 2026, BrightPath Maynard dropped off some Valentines Day cards made by their students to our Police Officers, "Would you POLICE be my Valentine?" Of course, the answer was yes!

On February 17th, 2026, Sergeant Wellborn, Detective/SRO McCann and Otis went to BrightPath Maynard to read "K9 Mattis On the Job" to a group of Pre-K students. They were very excited to meet Otis. Thank you to staff and students for the warm welcome!

The Maynard Fire Department opened a warming station for our residents during the Blizzard of 2026.

The Maynard Police Department ordered New England Patriots patches to sell to the public, and all proceeds go to Patriots Foundation Charity. They sold out quickly but keep an eye out for them next season.

On February 25th, 2026, The Maynard Police Department held a "Coffee with a Cop" event at The Bagel Table. Thank you to everyone who braved the snowy weather to grab a cup of coffee, share conversation and make new connections. Building relationships outside of calls for service helps us to better understand and serve our community.

National School Resource Officer Appreciation Day

National School Resource Officer Day is celebrated annually on Feb. 15 to show appreciation and support for the officers who maintain the safety of our schools. SROs are a vital part of our school community, interacting and protecting our students through education and engagement.

The department would like to thank our SROs, who go above and beyond for students and staff across the district.

The National Association of School Resource Officers (NASRO) has recognized Feb. 15 as National SRO Day since 2022 to highlight the work these officers do to bridge the gap between law enforcement and youth and maintain school safety.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER
APPRECIATION DAY
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& COMFORT DOG OTIS



Training

Sergeant Wellborn attended CPR and First Aid training in Milford.

Detective/SRO McCann and Officer Howard attended MILO Simulation Training: Situational Awareness and Safety on 911 calls.

Detective Sergeant Manchuso participated in the weeklong Middlesex Partnership Initiative with the Massachusetts State Police Detective Unit.

SRO/Detective McCann participated in the weeklong Middlesex Partnership Initiative with the Massachusetts State Police Detective Unit.

Deputy Chief Sutherland attended a NEMLEC Second in Command Training.

Deputy Chief Sutherland attended a Virtual AI in Action training.

Motor Vehicle Stops

Action Taken	
Civil Citation	11
Written Warning	48
Verbal Warning	164
Arrests (Motor Vehicle Related)	3
Criminal Complaint	5
Total Motor Vehicle Stops	231

Motor Vehicle Accidents

Location	Number of Motor Vehicle Accidents
Acton Street	1
Concord Street	1
Digital Way	2
Great Road	5
Main Street	1
Mill and Main Place	1
Parker Street	4
Total	15

Arrests

Brian Zagwyn Maynard MA Warrant	Troy Prockett Hudson MA Shoplifting by Asportation
Jorge Escobar Central Falls RI Unlicensed Operation of MV MV Lights Violation	Robert Karekin Derderian Maynard MA OUI Marked Lanes Violation Registration not in Possession
	Total: 7 It is important to note that subjects are placed under arrest based upon probable cause and the arrest, in and of itself, is not a determination of guilt. Arrests that are not listed may represent juvenile or domestic violence arrests, or those placed into protective custody.