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Athens Township Authority
June 15, 2026

Meade Murtland called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. Members also present were Doug Williams, Todd Johnson and Bill Steimel. Julie Lewis, Secretary and Joshua Cassidy were also present

Citizens - None

Minutes – Meade Murtland asked for a motion to approve the minutes of May 18, 2026. There was a motion by Todd Johnson seconded by Doug Williams. The vote was unanimous.

Financial – The June bills that were presented to the authority members totaled \$98,991.92. There was a motion by Doug Williams seconded by Bill Steimel to accept and pay the bills. Motion was unanimous.

Payee	Amount
Aqua Pennsylvania	\$ 180.35
BGW Ventures, LLC	\$ 2,100.00
Bradco Supply Co.	\$ 31.72
C & N Bank (Credit Card)	\$ 31.44
Cassidy Sewer Service	\$ 6,460.00
Empire Access	\$ 32.52
Fagan Engineers	\$ 3,500.00
Gannon Associates, Inc.	\$ 4,904.00
Muni-Link, LLC	\$ 666.52
Niemiec, Smith & Pellingier	\$ 45.00
PA Rural Water Association	\$ 510.00
Penelec	\$ 1,851.75
Pitney Bowes	\$ 204.00
Pitney Bowes Purchase Power	\$ 73.84
Shaon Lynch	\$ 585.00
Valley Energy	\$ 160.25
Valley Joint Sewer Authority	\$ 77,547.57
W.B. Mason	\$ 107.96
	\$ 98,991.92

Delinquent list – The delinquent list was reviewed in the amount of \$13,912.00. A couple of homes are for sale at this time and will be paid once the home sells. And a couple have paid since this report was printed.

MAINTENANCE – Josh stated it was a good month. The rail at Hickory Heights is going to be done this week. Julie stated that she had Josh go to the trailer parks and do a lot count at each of the trailer parks. There were more than were being billed for. We will be billing for 24 “new” lots.

LEGAL – None.

Other Business – None

Executive – None

Motion to adjourn was made by Doug Williams and seconded by Bill Steimel. The vote was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Next meeting is July 20, 2026 @ 5:30

Respectfully,

Julie Lewis

Administrative Secretary

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Athens Township Volunteer Fire Company

Fire/Incident Report

Jun-26

Incident Summary

Total Calls: 12

Total Time In-Service: 9:10:18

Total Personnel Hours (Incident Response) 91:18:09

Total Personnel Hours (Training) 32:00:00

Total Personnel Hours (Response and Training) 123:18:09

Total Mileage 362 Miles

Diesel Fuel Used 36.84 Gallons

Gasoline Used 8.524 Gallons

Total Fuel Expense \$225.79

Respectfully Submitted,
Austyn Merrill, Fire Chief

Jun-26

Total Incidents for the Month	12
Total Time In Service	9:10
Total Personnel Hours For Month	91:18:09
Average Personnel Per Call	10

Athens Township Volunteer Fire Company
Monthly Training Hours
Jun-26

Personnel Name	Total hours
1	9
2	9
3	2
4	2
5	2
6	2
7	2
8	2
9	2
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: Total Personel Hours Training: 32:00:00

Athens Township Volunteer Fire Company

Monthly Mileage Report

Jun-26

	24 Tower 1	24 Engine 1	24 Engine 2	24 Tanker 1	24 Squad 1	24 Brush 1	24 Sp. Unit 1	CMD 24
Month Starting	19317	29962	17078	18673	7497	8601	167010	171994
Month Ending	19333	30047	17158	18676	7574	8601	167104	172001
Miles Traveled	16	85	80	3	77	0	94	7

Total Dept Miles Traveled 362

Athens Township Volunteer Fire Company

Monthly Fuel Report

Jun-26

Date	Truck/Equipment	Diesel Gallons	Gasoline Gallons	Cost
06/04/2026 21:12	24-Tower-1	11.276		59.75
06/05/2026 13:42	24-Engine-2	16.861		87.66
6/2026 21:28:52	24-Squad-1		8.524	38.35
6/2026 03:26:39	24-Engine-2	8.703		40.03

Totals	36.84	8.524	\$225.79
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Athen Township Parks and Recreation

July 2026

ATPR – Meets the last Monday of each month before the Athen Township Supervisors meeting on the last Wednesday of the month.

The meeting is held at the Athens Township Building at 45 Herrick Avenue in Athens Township.

This commission is currently made up of Meade T. Murtland (Chairman) and Chris Watson, George Crowell, William Steimel

Parks System Maintenance Supervisor – Barry B.

Daily parks gate attendants – Janine Dawson (Primary)

- Spencer Underdown (backup)

For Pavilion rentals and information call the Township offices at: 570-888-2325

1. Call to order -
2. Voice of the Citizens -
3. Community Service Projects –
4. Financial and Bills for the month – (Available on request)
5. Old Business –

Restoration of Pavilions 7 and 8 on Round Top is nearly completed.

Once completed we will schedule a walk around and a photo op with Endless Mountain Heritage Region Executive Director Cain Chamberlin and the Sayre/Athens Rotary Club.

Working on the wording for two new park ordinances.

One prohibiting the dumping of residential waste and or garbage in the parks or in the receptables.

The other prohibiting the dropping of animals either domestic or wild within the parks

Posting of signage referencing the ordinance against such practices and outlining that we will peruse, prosecute and fine those in violation. (will need to go in front of the solicitor.

The Radio work by contractors at the tower site is finished. And as promised they left the access road to the site better than it was when they arrived.

Spectrum cable has also been laying some new fiber optic cable which is in and they have reseeded where they had been working.

Have heard nothing from county corrections on getting a few inmates on a work release program to work with Barry.

New Business

Discussions needs to continue on what can be done with roads within Round Top Park. The last several severe storms have accelerated the deterioration of the road particularly from Bobcat Road up to the top of the park.

Planning continues for the EMHR overnighiter at Round Top Park on September 19th and 20th which will include a hike in the park.

EMHR is a self insured entity of the State f Pennsylvania and part of the Susquehanna River North Branch Water Trail System.

A trail and park walk through with EMHR rep Rachel Flad needs to be re- scheduled due to excessive heat.

Need to investigate a report that the composting toilet facilities at Jim King Park may not be working correctly. I reported to Barry and have not heard back.

We need to set up a time to refurbish the holiday star for Round Top. It needs some electrical attention. I have spoke to Larry Green who originally built it and asked him for his help and he would like to help.

Building a list of potential community and Scout projects for the upcoming year.

Board member concerns and any additional

Executive Session –

6. Next meeting will be on August 24th at 7pm.

7. Adjourn

Summary of Work – Department of Public Works / July 2026

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For the month of July, the public works department focused on spreading DSA and repairing potholes for Bowman road, Chamberlain road, and Bluebird roads until we ran out of DSA. I had the crew keep a truck load of DSA so we could patch holes on Bradley road, Veter road and Orcutt creek. We rented a boom mower for three weeks so we could mow the township area, and try to get beyond the guardrails. The mower broke down twice, so we lost roughly four days. We have used our mower the best that we could, and mowed every road in our footprint. The crew is still mowing this week on the Mile Lane side of the township.

After we ran out of DSA and road materials we cold patched several roads, and prepared to purchase Hot patch for several roads. A resident at Queen Esther's purchased road gravel and spread it on the roads up there, so we were unable to patch them. We have completed most of the roads with calcium chloride so dust control is better. We built up the water tank and have that to assist with spreading it properly. Now we are grading off Sutliff road, Weaver, Highland, and then raking the roads, spreading calcium, and compacting the roads.

We took the water tank and washed off Thomas ave bridge, Moore road, and Miller road. I ordered the Linseed oil from Bradco three weeks ago, but they have yet shipped it too us. I need it to seal the concrete on Thomas ave bridge. We were able to replace the bridge sign on Miller road bridge and I informed the engineer for Lawson design group. I drove to Owego and purchased the 3/8" steel, so we can make the minor repairs to Miller road bridge. One of the residents on Orcutt creek road complained that we bumped his mailbox with the boom mower three weeks after we did the road, so I went out and looked at the post which was easily 30 years old and it split due to weathering. We ended up replacing it completely so he stopped calling us and the township police.

Lastly, Andy our mobile mechanic has been coming in and repairing what wasn't maintained by the previous mechanic, and he has done services on all the equipment. He discovered that Truck 4 has a cracked frame underneath the RAM on the passenger's side. We cannot use this truck anymore because it cannot support the weight. Along with truck 4, truck 7 is in the same situation and needs a new frame. We cannot update the inspection for truck 7 due to this. We did work with Midland and they tar and chipped Erin road, pump hill station road, and Sunnyfield. I also called in 811 so Matt could upgrade the township pistol range on his off time.



Anthony J. Lundy

Director of Public Works



ATHENS TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Daniel Thomas Sergeant Richard Horton

45 Herrick Avenue Sayre, PA 18840

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MONTHLY CALLS FOR SERVICE REPORT **June, 2026**

Calls For Service: 146

Citations Issued: 10

Warnings Issued: 40

Criminal Offenses	Reported/Investigated	Arrests
Criminal Trespass		
Crim/Mischief	5	
Harassment	6	3
Drug Violations	2	
Retail Theft	3	3
Public Drunkenness	1	
Obstruction Of Justice	1	
Theft	5	2
DUI	2	
Fraud	1	1
Terroristic Threats		
Disorderly Conduct	3	
Receiving Stolen Property		3
Assaults	1	1
Liquor Law-Underage		
Burglary		
Reckless Endangering		
All Other Crimes	1	
TOTAL	31	13



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Warrants Served	5
Warrants Received	1
Warrants Outstanding	112

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS		PROPERTY	
Reportable	4	Stolen	Recovered
Fatal		\$327.38	\$41.38
Non-Reportable	3		
Non-Reportable- H&R	1		
TOTAL MVA	8		



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MONTHLY VEHICLES REPORT

June, 2026

VEHICLE	MILES PATROLLED	CURRENT MILEAGE	GAS USED	AVERAGE MPG
2013 Chevy (301)		123,250		
2020 Ford (302)	638	125,300	60.3	10.5
2013 Chevy (303)	1583	154,908	103.2	15.3
2025 Ford (304)	1828	13,855	145.8	12.5
2009 Chevy (305)		137,815		
2018 Ford (306)	211	77,798	22.2	9.5
2023 Chevy (309)	499	74,881	50.3	9.9
TOTAL	4759		381.8	12.4

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Supervisors' Report July 2026

June 29, 2026

Zoning Permits:

*- notice was sent as work started prior to obtaining permit

** - property is in the floodplain

Permit #26063: 12x30 deck

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Permit #26064: 8x12 shed, 16' pool, 6x8 chicken coop

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Permit #26065: 3x8 business id sign-freestanding

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Permit #26066: temporary events

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Permit #26067: 20x26 addition, 20x26 second floor addition

Permit #26068: 1984 sqft new home

Permit #26069: 28x56 modular home

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Permit #26070: 8x14 back deck addition

Permit #26071: 10x14 inground pool

Permit #26072: 40x50 pole barn for rv storage

Permit #26073: 20x40 carport

Permit #26074: 13x22 awning

Permit #26075: 100+ 1ft 6' and 4' vinyl fence

Permit #26076: stand alone outdoor freezer on 2686 Elmira

Notices Sent:

None at this time

"Watching":

Sup. Rpt.

July, 2026

Pg. 2

Variances:

None at this time

Special Exception:

None at this time

Conditional Use:

None at this time

Map Amendments:

None at this time

Appeal of Decision:

None at this time

Complaints:

None at this time

General:

We responded to 42 PA One Calls this month and 179 year to date. The vehicle travelled 572 miles and used 34 gallons of fuel this month.

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ATHENS TOWNSHIP
MONTHLY TREASURER REPORT

July 29, 2026

Bank Account Summary:

Bank Account	Beginning Balance	Total Deposits	Total Expenses	Ending Balance
General Fund C&N	\$ 2,802,914.76	\$ 163,568.10	\$ 284,146.96	\$ 2,682,335.90
M&T	<u>\$ 16,695.56</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 16,695.56</u>
Total Gen. Fund	\$ 2,819,610.32	\$ 163,568.10	\$ 284,146.96	\$ 2,699,031.46
Liquid Fuels	\$ 388,381.76	\$ 0.00	\$ 64,649.65	\$ 323,832.11
Act 13	\$ 834,270.40	\$ 334,012.48	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,168,282.88
Parks/Recreation	\$ 167,481.04	\$ 4,880.13	\$ 15,477.84	\$ 156,883.33
Capital Reserve	\$ 62,937.23	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 62,937.23

Total Available Funds:

\$ 4,410,967.01

Un-paid Bills for Approval:

\$ 67,673.99

Prepared by:

Marc Rupp, Treasurer