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Athens Township Authority
July 20, 2026

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

Citizens - James Genzel from Fagan Engineers was in attendance. He reported on the grant for engineering to update the pump stations. The next step is to coordinate with Josh to get access to the pump stations to do inspections of them. They will go through the readings for the last 6 months and decipher the rain pattern as well. He stated that the Authority should look at going with PennVest program. It is a loan program with the possibility of loan forgiveness. The ARC grant was not a very high dollar amount and only has so much to go around this time around, he is hopeful it will be better for the next round. Josh stated the one that really needs to be replaced is Queen Esther. James said that as part of the study they will write out what needs to be done at each and asked when a rate study was last done. That is unknown.

Minutes – Meade Murtland asked for a motion to approve the minutes of June 15, 2026. There was a motion by Bill Steimel seconded by Doug Williams. The vote was unanimous.

Financial – The July bills that were presented to the authority members totaled $30,069.34. There was a motion by Todd Johnson seconded by Tim Smith to accept and pay the bills. Motion was unanimous.

Payee	Amount
Aqua Pennsylvania	$ 182.04
Aqua PA	$ 103.00
Austin Excavating	$ 750.00
Bradco Supply Co.	$ 162.80
Cassidy Sewer Service	$ 6,478.87
Commonwealth of PA	$ 65.00
Doug Williams	$ 150.00
Envirep TLC	$ 1,230.34
Fagan Engineers	$ 6,250.00
Hal Fish Heating & Air Cond.	$ 140.00
Horton Electric	$ 45.00
Irr Supply Centers	$ 70.22
Meade Murtland	$ 150.00
PA One Call Systems	$ 3.00

Patton's Plumbing	$ 2,396.00
Penelec	$ 3,418.43
Pitney Bowes Purchase Power	$ 29.60
South Waverly Borough	$ 8,036.00
Teledair Communications	$ 29.95
Todd Johnson	$ 100.00
Valley Energy	$ 179.09
William Steimel	$ 100.00
	$ 30,069.34

Delinquent list – The delinquent list was reviewed in the amount of $12,445.04. 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. Vacri is going to replace rails at pump station 3. They are cracked at the top. Meade asked how the mowing was going. Josh said good, he just mowed today.

LEGAL – None.

Other Business – None

Executive – None

Motion to adjourn was made by Todd Johnson and seconded by Doug Williams. The vote was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

Next meeting is August 17, 2026 @ 5:30

Respectfully,
Julie Lewis
Administrative Secretary

approved @ Planning 8/3/26
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Athens Township Planning Commission
Regular Meeting
June 1, 2026

The regular meeting of the Athens Township Planning Commission (PC) was called to order on Monday, June 1, 2026, at 6:28PM by Chairwoman, Marion Carling.
Present: Chairwoman Marion Carling, Rebecca Miller, Bob Petruschak, Zoning Officer, Ed Reid, and Secretary, Cindy Parrish. , Ron Reagan and Matt Cooper were unable to attend due to scheduling conflicts. All others in attendance are noted on the attached sign-in sheet or noted in the minutes.

Applicants to be heard:

Tanner's Bar & Grill: a 3-lot subdivision on Route 199 to be made part and parcel to property occupied by Tanner's Bar & Grill

Chairwoman Carling made it known to the applicant, Ryan Wood, owner of Tanner's Bar & Grill, that she is the former spouse of the owner of the properties he is planning to add to his lot. Due to the absence of two members of the PC, she would need to vote in order to have a quorum. Wood stated that he had no issue or concerns with her participation/voting.

Todd Babcock, PLS, presented the plans. He discussed the history of the properties/canal/township road/Route 199 that created "slivers" of properties. The proposed plan would merge three of those "slivers" with the current Tanner's property.

Discussion was held. Motion to review the plan was made by Miller and seconded by Petruschak. Motion carried, and the plan was reviewed with the following deficiencies noted:

1. Needs title block with the name and address of owner (if later found on current plan, disregard)
2. Need pavement width of Route 199
3. Need to add the pavilion and shed to the plans
4. Remaining 6 pins need to be set and noted on the plans
5. Need signature of owner wishing to add the parcels to his land
6. Need to show water line on plans
7. Need building setback lines on plans

Motion to recommend approval with the noted deficiencies was made by Miller and seconded by Petruschak. Motion carried with Chairwoman Carling actively voting (in the affirmative) due to the above noted absence of other PC members.

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Zoning Ordinance/SALDO Updates:

Miller stated that she is working through the formatting edits. Discussion was held.

Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes from the May 4, 2026, meeting as written was made by Miller and seconded by Petruschak. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

All correspondence was reviewed individually by the members.

Chairwoman Carling adjourned the meeting at 7:21PM as there was no other business before the commission.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia R. Parrish
Secretary

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Athens Township Volunteer Fire Company

Fire/Incident Report
Jul-26

Incident Summary

Total Calls:	15	
Total Time In-Service:	16:27:35	
Total Personnel Hours (Incident Response)	85:34:02	
Total Personnel Hours (Training)	14:00:00	
Total Personnel Hours (Response and Training)	99:34:02	
Total Mileage	347	Miles
Diesel Fuel Used	70.035	Gallons
Gasoline Used	36.955	Gallons
Total Fuel Expense	$501.35	

Respectfully Submitted,
Austyn Merrill, Fire Chief

Athens Township Volunteer Fire Company

Fire / Incident Report

Jul-26

Date	Incident No.	Location	Incident Type	Units	Personnel	Total Time	Personnel Hrs.
07/01/2026 13:57:24	26-80		Citizen Assist / Service Call	1	4	0:20:28	1:21:52
07/06/2026 19:57:33	26-81		Standby	3	7	2:34:54	18:04:18
07/10/2026 08:20:16	26-82		Motor Vehicle Collision	2	6	1:20:02	8:00:12
07/15/2026 11:59:04	26-83		Motor Vehicle Collision	1	6	0:35:07	3:30:42
07/17/2026 22:16:07	26-84		Accidental Alarm; Fire Alarm	1	8	0:09:53	1:19:04
07/19/2026 23:04:20	26-85		Citizen Assist / Service Call	1	7	0:18:17	2:07:59
07/20/2026 07:03:15	26-86		Fire Alarm	1	3	0:14:24	0:43:12
07/21/2026 12:51:45	26-87		Electrical Power Line Down / Arching / Malfunction	1	6	1:23:30	8:21:00
07/25/2026 19:59:25	26-88		Citizen Assist / Service Call	2	2	2:47:08	5:34:16
07/26/2026 00:43:11	26-89		Citizen Assist / Service Call	2	6	2:09:16	12:55:36
07/26/2026 07:24:41	26-90		CO Alarm	1	2	1:04:56	2:09:52
07/26/2026 13:48:11	26-91		Electrical Power Line Down / Arching / Malfunction	1	6	1:03:38	6:21:48
07/27/2026 07:51:14	26-92		Motor Vehicle Collision	1	5	0:35:42	2:58:30
07/30/2026 04:34:57	26-93		Cancelled	1	4	0:15:33	1:02:12
07/30/2026 08:33:07	26-94		Vehicle Fire - Passenger	2	7	1:34:47	11:03:29
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Total Incidents for the Month	15
Total Time In Service	16:27
Total Personnel Hours For Month	85:34:02
Average Personnel Per Call	5

Athens Township Volunteer Fire Company

Monthly Training Hours

Jul-26

	Personnel Name	Total hours
1	Be	2
2	C	2
3	L	2
4	M	2
5	S	2
6	St	2
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Total Personel Hours Training: 14:00:00

Athens Township Volunteer Fire Company

Monthly Milage Report

Jul-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	19333	30047	17158	18676	7574	8601	167104	172001
Month Ending	19372	30084	17181	18692	7736	8625	167104	172047
Miles Traveled	39	37	23	16	162	24	0	46

Total Dept Miles Traveled 347

Athens Township Volunteer Fire Company

Monthly Fuel Report

Jul-26

Date	Truck/Equipment	Diesel Gallons	Gasoline Gallons	Cost
7/4/2026	24 Engine 1	20.938		$ 106.76
7/4/2026	24 Squad 1		12.682	$ 48.18
7/6/2026	24 Squad 1		19.048	$ 77.70
7/10/2026	24 Engine 2	11.533		$ 53.04
7/25/2026	24 Tower 1	21.383		$ 106.89
7/25/2026	Fuel Cans		5.225	$ 26.27
7/30/2026	24 Tanker 1	16.181		$ 82.51
	Totals	70.035	36.955	$501.35

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Athen Township Parks and Recreation

August 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 complete and signage has been ordered.

   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.

   Still working on getting the two new park rules prohibiting the dumping of residential or commercial refuge/garbage and prohibiting the "drop off's" or abandoning of domestic animals at any of our parks.

   Never heard a thing from county corrections on getting a few inmates on a work release program to work with Barry. Assumption is that this is not going to happen at this point.

   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.

A source for road millings has been identified at a reasonable cost. Both Round Top Park and Tozier's Landing are township road roads and not the responsibility of parks and recreation. But given the deteriorating condition of the roads within the parks and that we do have some money available in our budget.

I would propose we authorize what we can to purchase these millings and get these two park roadways into some type of acceptable condition.

Planning continues for the EMHR overnighter at Round Top Park on September 19th and 20th which will include a hike in the park. The walk through on the trails with Rachel F. from EMHR is re-scheduled for Thursday, 8/27 at 8:30am

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

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 September 28th at 7pm.**

7. **Adjourn**

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Summary of Work – Department of Public Works / August 2026

For the month of August, the public works department focused on purchasing hot mix asphalt and spreading it along the areas of Murray Creek Road, Queen Esters Estates, and Miller Road. We had to rent a stone roller from CAT because our stone roller has a broken part on the rear drive drum. The roller is roughly 55 years old, so finding parts is hard. We were able to patch the large stretches of road that were torn up. For Tutelow creek we graded off and patched what holes we could due to lack of materials, but on the steep part of the hill, we laid three-inch rock on that road for stabilization, then we can place DSA on top of that. The crew went to Dalrymple's gravel and picked up 177 tons of crushed concrete, so we can repair the roads to round top park. I spoke with Meade from parks, and he was able to purchase this material, so we can make the repairs.

We also responded to as many pink slips from the residents as possible, however, not having DSA hinders repairing roads. Once we get more material, we will have a month to lay it on the roads that need help. We will focus on finishing Weaver road, Highland drive, McKinney Hill Road and areas of Cole Hollow. There are several other roads such as Bluebird road that we need to finish before winter, so they will get done.

Lastly, we washed Thomas ave bridge, Miller road and Moore road bridge, then we sprayed the Thomas ave bridge, and the two bridges off Murray creek road with Linseed oil, so they can be preserved for the winter months.

Aside from working in the field, I have issued a few permits, responded to resident phone call, and ordered what parts we need. I needed to get Watson's diesel to come here and give estimates for truck 4 and 7 due to cracked, and slimming rails.

Anthony J. Lundy

Director of Public Works

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ATHENS TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Daniel Thomas Sergeant Richard Horton

45 Herrick Avenue Sayre, PA 18840

MONTHLY CALLS FOR SERVICE REPORT
July, 2026

Calls For Service: 219	Citations Issued: 22	Warnings Issued: 33

Criminal Offenses	Reported/Investigated	Arrests
Criminal Trespass		
Crim/Mischief		
Harassment	4	1
Drug Violations	7	19
Retail Theft	3	3
Resisting Arrest		2
Obstruction Of Justice		1
Theft	5	
DUI	2	3
Fraud	2	
Terroristic Threats		
Disorderly Conduct	2	1
Fleeing To Elude	1	1
Sexual Assaults		1
Liquor Law-Underage	1	1
Robbery-Firearm	1	
Endangering Welfare		3
All Other Crimes	4	3
TOTAL	32	39

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Warrants Served	**13**
Warrants Received	
Warrants Outstanding	**125**

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS		**PROPERTY**	
Reportable	4	**Stolen**	**Recovered**
Fatal		$198,491.57	$1,772.11
Non-Reportable	2		
Non-Reportable-H&R	2		
TOTAL MVA	8		

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MONTHLY VEHICLES REPORT

July, 2026

VEHICLE	MILES PATROLLED	CURRENT MILEAGE	GAS USED	AVERAGE MPG
2013 Chevy (301)		123,250		
2020 Ford (302)	559	126,040	67.2	8.3
2013 Chevy (303)	1625	157,041	125.6	12.9
2025 Ford (304)	1740	15,698	144.2	12
2009 Chevy (305)		137,815		
2018 Ford (306)	630	78,581	57	11
2023 Chevy (309)	1296	76,393	104.8	12.3
TOTAL	**5850**		**498.8**	**11.7**

Dispatch: 570-888-2200 Fax: 570-888-5479 Email: atpd@athenstownship.org

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Supervisors' Report August 2026

August 26, 2026

Zoning Permits:

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

****-property is in the floodplain**

* Permit #26077: new business id sign: name change

Permit #26078: 12x12,12x14 offsetting decks

Permit #26079: 14x60 mobile home

Permit #26080: roof mounted solar

* Permit #26081: temporary event- roadside stand

Permit #26082: 2-10x50 storage units

Permit #26083: 100lft 46"high retaining wall

Permit #26084: 10x16 storage shed

Permit #26085: 10x12 storage shed

Permit# 26086: roof mount solar

Permit #26087: 80lft 30" high retaining wall

Permit #26088: 13x20 freestanding garage

Permit #26089: demo single wide trailer

Notices Sent:

-1st notice tenant and landlord- garbage

-Final notice tenant and landlord- garbage and someone living in a shed

-Final Notice tenant and landlord- garbage, junk vehicles, someone living in a shed

"Watching":

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 40 PA One Calls this month and 219 year to date. The vehicle travelled 392 miles and used 16 gallons of fuel this month. I performed a preliminary junkyard inspection on August 06, 2026, I then performed the final Junkyard inspections with Supervisor Petruschak on August 26, 2026. Reports are attached.