Athen Township Parks and Recreation

November 2026

*ATPR – Meets the last Monday of each mont**h before the Athens 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)***

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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 –

Roundtop Park and Tozier's Landing officially closed for the season at the end of the day Sunday 11/15/27.

Conversation with both the township solicitor and the ATVFC Chief concerning Tozier's Landing to the park closures this year and moving forward. Both had no concerns or reservations.

Review and finalize budget for 2027 based on information and projections provided by township treasurer.

Review and make final recommendations for new parks truck.

Review the information on the trade in of old parks truck.

Review communication with Network Connex / Galaxi Tower about cell site develop.

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.

Larry Green and Barry have completed the work on the holiday star which will be moved up to Round Top Park Tuesday 11/17 10:30.

After some scheduling issues, Bill S. and I will be meeting shortly top complete our request for reimbursement of funds connected with our EMHR grant.

New Business **(some items are carry over from October's meeting)**

After being postponed due to communication problems with vendors and those needing access to Round Top Park we will be launching our new combination lock access to RTP effective at the close of the current park season. Communication with vendors has been challenging and we are seeing that all parties needing access are notified of the change.

Much thanks needs to go out to Ken Chamberlin and the ATV club who have preformed a seasonal cleanup of the trail system.

We are working with the EMHR to develop a new hiking trails map for Round Top Park for 2027.

We are looking for new grant opportunities to replace all of the old playground equipment up on top of Round Top Park.

Also reaching out to the fish commission about the health of the fishing pond.

It has been recommended that we contact the Bradford County Commissioners about the stocking of the fishing pond as they stock Sun Fish Pond and might be able to help us.

Approve purchase of replacement "bubble" for playground equipment at Jim King Park

Board member concerns and any additional

Executive Session –

6. **Next meeting will be on December 21st at 7 pm**

7. **Adjourn**