

Village of Athens Board Meeting- October 1, 2025  
Meeting Minutes

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PUBLIC:

1. Finessa Hardy- Summer Recreation.

-Donations: Owl program, Reptile Program, games and money.

-When asked if a ratio of Town vs Village children attendees was taken- no

-Ms. Hardy stated that she did not know what the Budget was for the season.

-Mayor Serrago informed Ms. Hardy that she could have contacted the Board with any questions instead of outside resources and any order requests were to go through the Clerk's office.

-Ms. Hardy stated that she would like to make the Summer Recreation Program like it was by doing the paperwork for the state and utilizing grants.

-Receipts and donations were handed in approximately three weeks after the Program was finished.

-Mayor Serrago stated that she can promote the program if given something to post.

-Ms. Hardy would like the staff to get paid weekly next season. The Board agreed.

Len Signoretti, Athens Pool, offered to hold a swim program for the children of the Summer Recreation program, but it is not allowable; the program is not a camp. He stated that he will still offer it regardless, from noon to 5:00 p.m. for up to 80 kids.

APPLICATIONS: no applications

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Proposed Resolution Approving Minutes of September 10, 2025 with a correction.

Offered By: Trustee Phoenix

Second: Trustee Lasher

Record of Vote: All in Favor

2. Proposed Resolution Approving Payment of Vouchers. No vouchers

Offered By:

Second:

Record of Vote:

CORRESPONDENCE: Board discussed the following:

1. Greene County Veterans Service Agency/Greene County Veteran of the Year- Willie "Mack" Jackson

2. Resolution No. 284-25: Awarding Bid for Abrasives Used in Snow & Ice Control

3. Jonathan Palmer- Village Historian. He has resigned his position and has suggested that Sabrina Sapunarich be his replacement.

4. Jonathan Palmer- Historic Marker for Brick Row. If approved the marker would be placed on Village property on the west side of the intersection facing out toward Rte. 385. The Board agrees to allow for the marker. Mayor Serrago will draw up a letter for the William G. Pomeroy Foundation.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

1. Water/ Sewer Meters. Still waiting for the report from Schmidt Wholesale.
2. Summer Recreation. No further discussion on the matter.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Charge Point- Broken head on charging station needs replacement (quote attached). Will cost \$5220.00 for head and labor charges \$540.00. This matter has been tabled.  
Charging Station pricing will need to be changed. The Village is at roughly \$0.06 per kilowatt hour. The Village does not produce enough revenue to sustain the stations. Trustee Dillberg will get the figures of what we spend versus what the Village receives to be able to determine what the new rate should be.  
There may be funding through NYSERDA to help with the cost of the station repair.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

- Trustee Dillberg stated that the S hooks at the park playground on the horizontal ladder bars are wearing out and need to be replaced.
- Mayor Serrago stated that at the organizational meeting in April that Clerk Dawn Palmateer and Deputy Clerk Gail Stacey were appointed to their prospective positions for a six-month probation period. Now that the probation period has ended, Mayor Serrago asked the Board to appoint, by resolution, Dawn Palmateer as Clerk and Gail Stacey as Deputy Clerk for a term of 18 months ending in April of 2027, which will fulfill the two-year term.  
Offered By: Trustee Dillberg  
Seconded By: Trustee Eastwick  
Record of Vote: All in Favor
- Police garage quotes are all in.
- Cultural Center has a balance from the ACF funding. Balance will be transferred.
- Summer Recreation. Budget for 2026-2027 will be increased by \$1000 and the Town may be asked to increase theirs by \$1000 or \$2000.
- Chris Sprague (DPW). 11 N Water St needs 2 catch basins. The owner is willing to install if the DPW has any. The cost of each catch basins will be \$660 and the pipes are \$140 each.
- Deputy Clerk. Sewer Bond signed on 9/30/25; property and vehicle updates need to be done from the departments with anything new or left off the insurance policy as the policy is coming up for renewal; Henderson and Albright's were contacted regarding maintenance contracts for the split unit in the office. Henderson has no contract and charges \$300 for cleanings. Albright's does not provide service for what they do not sell. Kool Temp may be looked at again.

Executive Session to discuss issue with code book.

Offered By: Trustee Lasher

Seconded By: Trustee Dillberg

Record of Vote: All in Favor

A motion to come out of Executive Session and return to regular session was made by Trustee Lasher, Seconded by Trustee Dillberg. Record of Vote: All in Favor.

Fall Clean Up Day is Saturday, October 25.

ADJOURNMENT:

Offered By: Trustee Dillberg

Seconded By: Trustee Phoenix

Record of Vote: All in Favor

Meeting Adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Stacey

Deputy Clerk