

VILLAGE OF ATHENS MINUTES-MARCH 11, 2026

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

- 1.NORTHDOME-Joe Myers: Facilities are in compliance. Flow rates are up at the water and sewer plants. Manhole covers will be popped on Friday, March 12th. Pressure reducing valve on Vernon St closest to Union St will need to be serviced with help from the DPW. There have been taste, color, and odor issues with the water due to the ice cap which causes a lack of oxygen in the water thus causing the afore-mentioned issues. The Village DPW has removed the debris at the reservoir. Painting is still in progress. Sewer plant is at 330,000 gallons per day. Schoharie Tpke pump station electrical issue is being addressed. Brick Row station is moving along. Air lines in the sludge tank need to be worked on.
- 2.DPW-Chris Sprague, not present: 2026-2027 budget CHPS money for oil and stone for the Village alleys. Lift Project: meeting with Jason to go over specs and removal of oil tank and pad install. The project can then move forward. Stone wall in municipal parking lot needs to be fixed.
- 3.FIRE DEPARTMENT-Wayne Butterworth: Ebs Lane issue- Code Enforcement Officer Tercasio has put in a call to the resident in question regarding the delivery truck. Resident states that he only parks his truck in the driveway when he is on-call and for lunch. Wayne and CEO Tercasio feel that there is no danger to the other residents in the cull-de-sac. Yankee raffle tickets are still available.
- 4.POLICE DEPARTMENT-Roger Masse, not present. CEO Tercasio gave the report. Active shooter training taking place in Catskill. Officer Mirando will handle the training at EJA Elementary on Friday, March 13th.
- 5.CODE ENFORCEMENT-Ed Tercasio: 28 residents from the Town of Athens have short term Rentals. The programming/training for the STR tracking/monitoring will be completed and Operational in approximately 8 weeks. Upgrades on the computer equipment on hold.

A motion to go into Executive Session was made by Trustee Phoenix seconded by Trustee Eastwick. Record of Vote: All in Favor. 6:40 pm.

A Motion to exit Executive session was made by Trustee Dillberg seconded by Trustee Phoenix. Record of Vote: All in Favor.

A Resolution to contact The Bank of Greene County to set up a Tax Anticipation Note loan was made by Trustee Dillberg seconded by Trustee Phoenix. Record of Vote: All in favor.

APPLICATIONS:

- 1.AVFD Member Application-Faith Leigh-Rose Fredricks. Trustee Phoenix made a motion to accept the application seconded by Trustee Dillberg. Record of Vote: All in Favor.
- 2.AVFD Member Application-Bryan Proper. Trustee Dillberg made a motion to accept the application seconded by Trustee Eastwick. Record of Vote: All in Favor.
- 3.Facility Use-Riverside Park-APAC Summer Concerts. Trustee made a motion to accept

- the application seconded by Trustee Phoenix. Record of Vote: All in Favor.
4. Facility Use-Village Streets-EJA Elementary: Margaret Schmidt Memorial 5K. Trustee Phoenix made a motion to accept the application seconded by Trustee Dillberg. Record of Vote: All in Favor.
 5. Facility Use-Meeting Room-Athens Recreation Assoc.-Pool Meeting. Trustee Dillberg made a motion to accept the application seconded by Trustee Phoenix. Record of Vote: All in Favor. A key will be signed out and returned.
 6. Facility Use-Gym-Timothy Patterson-Basketball. Trustee Dillberg made a motion to accept the application seconded by Trustee Phoenix. Record of Vote: All in Favor.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. Proposed Resolution Approving the Village Board Minutes of February 25, 2026.

Offered By: Trustee Phoenix
Seconded By: Trustee Dillberg
Record of Vote: All in Favor

2. Proposed Resolution Approving the Payment of Vouchers as Presented.

Offered By: Trustee Phoenix
Seconded By: Trustee Dillberg
Record of Vote: All in Favor

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Greene County: Rev250 Events. Discussed.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Intermunicipal Agreement, Village/Town SEQR with Attached Materials. A joint meeting between the Village and Town will need to be set up then a public hearing scheduled.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Community Day. Meetings have been set up. Brittany Palmateer has agreed to head the event.

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Complaint- Renee and Richard Meryman for 2 Ebs Lane, Scantlebury Residence. Discussed in the department head's reporting.
2. Trustee Lasher: Central Hudson letter regarding decoration height requirements on the poles. Tim Mercer will need help with the adjustments; Village can provide man power. No posters on poles can also be discussed.
3. Trustee Phoenix: Residents have voiced their concerns regarding the No Kings Rally on March 28, 2026. They are worried that things may get out of hand. Trustee Lasher has spoken with Ms. Warshaw who stated that it will be a peaceful gathering. There will also be a patriotic gathering at Riverside Park.
4. Wayne Butterworth: would like to know what the rally will be costing the Village. The Board does not know.

5.Trustee Dillberg: The Bolts on some of the docks look bent. Would like the DPW to look at.

A motion to enter into Executive Session for personnel issue was made by Trustee Phoenix seconded by Trustee Dillberg. Record of Vote: All in Favor. 7:35 pm.

A motion to exit Executive Session was made by Trustee Dillberg seconded by Trustee Eastwick. Record of Vote: All in Favor. 7:53 pm.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Dillberg seconded by Trustee Eastwick. Record of Vote: All in Favor.

Meeting Adjourned 7:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Gail Stacey
Deputy Clerk, Village of Athens