

Committee: Fire and Police Committee  
Meeting Date: 03/17/2026  
Place: Village Board Room  
Time: 7:01

The meeting was called to order my Chair Andy Thurs at 7:01. Committee member Tyler Socha was present as well as Village Board President Randy Decker and Chief Stencil.

1. The committee discussed the creation of a part-time Sergeant Position within the Athens police department. Additional duties of the position are to be determined by Chief Stencil. This position will be offered at \$2 per hour above the standard part-time officer pay. This position will not cause an increase in cost to the part-time officer budget. A motion was made by chair Andy Thurs, with a 2nd from Tyler Socha to recommend the creation of the part-time Sergeant position to the board.
2. Discussed the possible need for a school resource officer at the school due to the time Chief Stencil has spent at the different schools within the village. Information on the logistics, desire from the school district, need, costs, and possible funding sources will need to be gathered prior to making any recommendations to the board.
3. At 7:45 the committee went into closed session to conduct an interview for the open Part-Time Police Officer position. The committee had a motion to reconvene in open session following the interview at 8:35. There is no recommendation from the committee to make an offer of employment at this time.
4. The committee returned to open session

Motion to adjourn at 8:42 made by Chair Andy Thurs; 2nd by Tyler Socha  
Meeting Adjourned at 8:42