

Battle of Athens State Historic Site

Public Meeting, Town Hall Format

1 p.m. June 7, 2025, held at the Shelter House

17 in attendance

Local Elected Officials Invited: Kahoka City Council, Kahoka Mayor, Clark County Sheriff, Assessor, Commissioners, Clerks, Collectors, Recorder, Treasurer, and Road and Bridge Supervisor.

No Local Elected Officials were present.

State Elected Officials Invited: Senator Cindy O’Laughlin, Representative Greg Sharpe

State Elected Officials Attended: Representative Greg Sharpe

Key Stakeholders and Groups Invited: Iliniwek Chapter of Missouri Archaeology Association

No Key Stakeholders or Groups were present.

No Media was present.

Site maps and brochures, flyers for the upcoming reenactment, guest comment QR cards, virtual 360 QR cards, and park staff cards were available for guests. No handouts were given.

Summary:

MSP leadership recognized state elected officials and other state dignitaries in attendance, then provided brief comments.

Melissa Pitford provided a review of the park/site’s data sheet.

Ranger Drake Fohey provided a brief overview of Ranger roles and responsibilities, and a summary of activities and community outreach at the park/site.

Melissa Pitford summarized maintenance and repair projects planned or in progress this season. Included a brief overview of small maintenance/repair projects.

Melissa Pitford led an open discussion to give participants an opportunity to provide input on the future of the park/site and to ask questions. There were no comments or questions from the public.

Pie, ice cream, coffee and bottled water were served, followed by a tour of the site.