

The regular meeting of the Villenova Town Board, held April 13, 2016 at 1094 Butcher Road, South Dayton NY was called to order by Supervisor Ardillo at 7:00PM after the Pledge to the Flag.

**Present:**        **Richard Ardillo**        - **Supervisor**  
                      **Westley Tessey**        - **Councilmember**  
                      **Angelo Graziano**       - **Councilmember**  
                      **Sarah LoManto**        - **Councilmember**

**Absent:**        **Keith Butcher**        - **Councilmember**

**Others Present:**

**Chuck Luce**        - **Highway Superintendent**  
**Donald Michalak** - **Town Attorney**  
**Sign in sheet attached**

**Recording Secretary:**

**Julie Goodway**        - **Town Clerk**

\*\*\*A MOTION was made by Sarah LoManto and seconded by Angelo Graziano WHEREAS, minutes of the March 9, 2016 meeting be accepted as presented by Town Clerk Goodway.

**Adopted:**        **Ardillo**        - **aye**  
                      **Tessey**        - **aye**  
                      **Graziano**       - **aye**  
                      **LoManto**       - **aye**  
                      **Butcher**       - **absent**

**Reports:**

**Town Clerk:** Received and disbursed a total of \$221.00, presenting a check to the Supervisor for the portion of town fees collected in the amount of \$196.00.

**Justice:** Received and disbursed a total of \$961.00 in the month of March.

**Assessor:** Issued 1 STAR Basic, 9 Star Enhanced 0 Vets, 0 Ag Bldg, 0 Ag Land exemptions in March.

**Code Enforcement Officer:** Issued a written report, a copy is on file in the clerk's office.

The Town Clerk read a letter received from the Villenova Burial Association President, Judy Phillips, asking if the town could assist with the maintenance of their cemetery, to include removal of debris and placing it at the town pit, improving conditions of their cemetery roads, and possibly some gravel to build up the roadways.

The Board discussed this and will check with the DEC regarding dumping debris at the pit before they reply.

**Highway Superintendent, Chuck Luce** reports, they have purchased a used 10 wheeler international dump, with plow assembly, two excavators with attachments; did emergency repairs to a culvert that blew out on Round Top; culverts on Howard Drive need immediate attention, hopefully they will get to it next week; there were issues during the last snow fall, a plow broke two springs; the plows are off a couple of trucks.

**Supervisor Ardillo**, distributed copies of the Supervisor Report – Financial Statement as prepared by Bahgat & Laurito Bahgat, with the board's approval at the previous board meeting, all bills were paid, deposits from the Town Clerk and Town Justice were completed, all necessary fund transfers were made, all payroll for March was submitted, funds transferred and checks distributed. Informed the board of a FOIL request and the town's response.

\*\*\*A MOTION was made by Angelo Graziano and seconded by Westley Tessey accepting all department head reports as given.

**Adopted:**        **Ardillo**        - **aye**  
                      **Tessey**        - **aye**  
                      **Graziano**       - **aye**  
                      **LoManto**       - **aye**  
                      **Butcher**       - **absent**

\*\*\*A MOTION was made by Sarah LoManto and seconded by Angelo Graziano, WHEREAS General Vouchers #37 – 49 totaling \$22,610.31, General Prepays #5 – 12 totaling \$10,656.55, Highway Vouchers #32 – 53 totaling 24,970.70, Highway Prepays #1 – 4 totaling \$51,247.00 and Ball Hill Wind Project Voucher #7 totaling \$414.50, were submitted, reviewed and approved for payment.

**Adopted:**        **Ardillo**        - **aye**  
                      **Tessey**        - **aye**  
                      **Graziano**       - **aye**  
                      **LoManto**       - **aye**  
                      **Butcher**       - **absent**

\*\*\*A MOTION was made by Westley Tessey and seconded by Sarah LoManto to put the four town cemeteries

mowing out for bid. Sealed bids for mowing and weed whacking the cemeteries will be opened during the regular meeting of the Villenova Board, May 11, 2016 at 7:30PM. Sealed bids will be received at the Town Clerks Office until May 10, 2016 at Noon.

**Adopted:**      **Ardillo**        - aye  
                   **Tessey**        - aye  
                   **Graziano**      - aye  
                   **LoManto**       - aye  
                   **Butcher**        - absent

\*\*\*A MOTION was made by Sarah LoManto and seconded by Angelo Graziano to modify the budget, appropriating \$30,000.00 from the equipment fund reserve and increasing expenditure line DA5130.2 Machinery Equipment by \$30,000.00

**Adopted:**      **Ardillo**        - aye  
                   **Tessey**        - aye  
                   **Graziano**      - aye  
                   **LoManto**       - aye  
                   **Butcher**        - absent

\*\*\*A MOTION was made by Westley Tessey and seconded by Sarah LoManto to modify the budget by increasing the Revenue Line DA2680 Insurance recoveries by \$23,403.00 and increasing expenditure line DA5130.4 Machine Contractual by \$23,403.00.

**Adopted:**      **Ardillo**        - aye  
                   **Tessey**        - aye  
                   **Graziano**      - aye  
                   **LoManto**       - aye  
                   **Butcher**        - absent

**Angelo Graziano** feels the wind tower project should be placed on the ballot for the people to decide if the project goes ahead, he doesn't want to be the person to decide, Westley Tessey agreed, both stating that a 500' structure is huge to look at, they asked the town attorney to research if this is something that can be put up for permissive referendum.

Rich Sandy, South Dayton Silver Creek Road resident, asked if there is a guide we can get from the Town of Arkwright to get an idea on a time frame or schedule on a wind tower project.

Michael Emke Walker addressed the board, asking for a letter releasing him of any liability in regard to digging with town equipment. He has concerns about liability. Apparently the Highway Superintendent did not contact the Dig NY Company and have the ditches marked before he sent the crew out with the excavator. Chuck Luce was unaware that the town was required to call first before digging ditches; he has been informed and will follow the rule from here on in. Michael states he wants to be removed from the highway committee, and commented, "If things don't get better, he will resign his deputy highway superintendent position at the next board meeting.

The Villenova Burial Association asked the board if it was possible to have the prisoners come in and fix monuments at the town cemeteries.

A resident asked the status of the Web page, and was informed it is in the process of being developed.

\*\*\*A MOTION was made by Angelo Graziano and seconded by Sarah LoManto to adjourn meeting at 7:50PM.

**Adopted:**      **Ardillo**        - aye  
                   **Tessey**        - aye  
                   **Graziano**      - aye  
                   **LoManto**       - aye  
                   **Butcher**        - absent

**Respectfully Submitted:**  
**Julie Goodway**  
**Villenova Clerk**

## Villanova Town Board – Meeting Sign In Sheets

Name	Address
Carl & Rich Wise	
Mike & Anna Emke-Walker	North Hill Rd.
Nate & Sue Palmer	Smith Rd.
Judy Phillips	South Bayton Silver Ch Rd.
Don Jewett	
R. SAMOY	S.D.S.C. Rd.
Sue Morgan	Wentworth Rd, Foustville

Date: April 13, 2016