The American Township Trustees met in regular session with the following members present: Paul Basinger, Lynn Mohler, and Larry Vandemark.

Motion by Trustee Mohler second by Trustee Vandemark to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 25, 2022. Roll call, all yes.

Motion by Trustee Vandemark second by Trustee Mohler to approve the warrants as presented by the Fiscal Officer. Roll call, all yes.

Privilege of the floor was granted to Beth Seibert Allen County Commissioner who is discussing what the county wants to do with some of the ARPA funds for some of the infrastructure within the township. Kim Stiles from Allen Water District and Brad Neidemeyer from County Sanitation also stated some of their projects they are hoping to complete in the next few years.

The Fiscal Officer presented Cash Reconciliation, Appropriation Status, Revenue Status, and Cash Summary by Fund reports for the month of April. Motion by Trustee Vandemark second by Trustee Basinger to accept the reports as presented. Roll call, all yes.

Police Chief Haines stated the stats for April. He also would like to trade in the existing firearms and purchase new firearms for the department at a cost not to exceed $4000 from Vance’s Law Enforcement.

Motion by Trustee Basinger second by Trustee Mohler to purchase new firearms for the Police Department from Vance Law Enforcement at a cost not to exceed $4000. Roll call, all yes.

Chief Hadding would like to go into executive session for purpose of possible purchase of land.

Motion by Trustee Basinger second by Trustee Mohler to go into executive session for the purpose of purchase of land. Roll call, all yes.

Code Enforcer Brickner stated we typically have a cleanup day in June and was wondering if we are still wanting to do that. The trustees stated they would still like to do this and Mr. Brickner will move forward in getting a date and dumpsters lined up. He also said the zoning commission recommended to deny the petition submitted by Steve and Lanette Schultz to rezone 4270 Allentown from R-1 to R-3 and a date needs to be set for the Trustees to now have a hearing for that petition which will be set on Monday June 6th following the normal Township monthly meeting.

Motion by Trustee Vandemark second by Trustee Basinger to have the hearing for the Schultz’s Petition on Monday June 6th at 8pm. Roll call, all yes.

The regular meeting was postponed at 8pm for a public zoning hearing.

The regular meeting was resumed at 8:15pm.

Road Superintendent Holmes discussed the issues our hall rental cleaning department have been having and how to fix hall rentals that are left dirty. The trustees and Legal Counsel are going to work on some of the wording in the contract for holding the groups more accountable. He also said the cost for dura patching through Premier Patching is $32,944.50. Finally, the street sweeping company we accepted a bid for will not return calls to Mr. Holmes. Legal Counsel Huffman will contact the company and see if they respond to him. If not, the township will consider this a breach of contract and go with another company. He would finally like Legal Counsel Huffman to contact Century Link to work on a disputed bill between Dominion, Century Link and the Township that we should not be charged for.

Motion by Trustee Vandemark second by Trustee Mohler to terminate the contract with Perfect Sweeping Service and to authorize Legal Counsel Huffman and Road Superintendent Holmes to take the necessary steps in confirming this termination. Roll call, all yes.

Motion by Trustee Basinger second by Trustee Mohler to hire Progressive Sweeping at a cost not to exceed $14,000 in place of the previous mentioned company once that contract is nullified. Roll call, all yes.

Motion by Trustee Vandemark second by Trustee Mohler to hire Premier Patching at a cost of $32,944.50. Roll call, all yes.

Legal Counsel Huffman reported that ORC does allow for certain roads within the township to use golf carts and the trustees are going to have to decide which roads may permit the use of golf carts. Chief Haines will continue to work on this with Legal Counsel Huffman and continue discussions at future meetings.

The regular meeting was postponed for executive session.

The regular meeting was resumed.

Motion by Trustee Basinger second by Trustee Vandemark to allow Chief Hadding to enter into discussions with 3Bees Rentals, LLC for the possibility of public land purchase. Roll call, all yes.

Motion by Trustee Vandemark second by Trustee Mohler to adjourn. Roll call, all yes.

Sincerely,

Brady Overholt, Fiscal Officer Larry Vandemark, Chairman