Chairperson Don Danzeisen opened the Village of Harriman Regular Meeting of November 16, 2015 at 7:30pm.

ROLL CALL:

Present:
Board Members: Chairman Don Danzeisen; Members, Irma Escallier, Ron Klare, and John Russo, Engineer, Kevin Dowd, Attorney, and Barbara Singer Recording Secretary

Absent: Member Juan Quinones, Member Martin Stanise and Alternate Jennifer Phillips-Carrillo

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion was made by Member Klare to approve the October 19, 2015 Regular Minutes with corrections, seconded by Member Escallier. All in favor.

Chairman Danzeisen states Garfield Plumbing is not present, they were removed.

Mr. Russo states PL Group was also removed from the agenda. Kevin and I met with him earlier and since there was nothing new to present to the Board, Allen chose to remove himself from the agenda. He will be on the agenda for next month.

AMERICAN FENCE COMPANY
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SITE PLAN APPROVAL

Present: Bill Rosenberger, ENR Contracting

Mr. Rosenberger states I am the General Contractor for ENR Contracting who did the demolition of the Nepera Plant. And we hired American Fence as a sub-contractor to do the fence installation as soon as everyone says it’s okay to go. If this is approved, we go get a building permit, and as soon as I’m told it’s okay to go, it’s going in as soon as possible. Currently there’s a temporary fence up, that will be taken down and the permanent fence will be put up.

Mr. Russo states that I have no problems with it. There is a letter from the Department of Conservation, which states please notice that the Department requires all owners of sites in our mediation program that could possess a chemical or physical danger to the public have a six foot fence to prevent unauthorized entry to the site. The state is more or less deeming it necessary for this. Now you’re putting in roughly 770’ of fence.

Mr. Rosenberger replies I would say that 65% to 75% of the fence is replacing existing. Just the section along the building that we took down is new fence.

Chairman Danzeisen asks are you doing anything along the railroad right of way or where the railroad tracks were.

Mr. Rosenberger states I do know where the railroad tracks were. The only thing that the owner asked us to do was kindly patch some holes in the existing fence that’s up along the railroad which the kids have been snipping through to get on the site. So we’re going to patch a few of them up. But no new fence is going in along the rail.

Mr. Russo asks is this a 6’ high chain link fence that is going in. Do you want to think about slats.
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Mr. Dowd adds I was speaking with the Mayor and I think he would prefer some sort of slats in there. At least along the front, on the side of 17 so it protects the view a little bit. There doesn’t have to be slats throughout.

Chairman Danzeisen states there are two trains of thought, you put the slats in to protect the view and then you’re not going to see anyone on the site.

Mr. Dowd responds I said that to the Mayor and he said the police patrol and from certain roads you can see the entire site from different areas, not from just the front.

Member Escallier asks if it’s open now because it was open.

Mr. Rosenberger states no, there is temporary fencing existing.

Chairman Danzeisen states the wind had blown the temporary fencing down, during the demolition there were portions of the temporary fencing that had fallen down a couple of times.

Mr. Rosenberger said we had wire tied it at that point.

Chairman Danzeisen replies the state calls for a 6’ fence. Does anyone have any questions, concerns, or comments?

Mr. Dowd replies this is really for the protection of the public. It’s a Type 2 action. The issue of the slat is something that the Mayor wants along the front.

Mr. Russo states another thing you may want to consider is the color of the slats.

Mr. Rosenberger states the only thing that I can tell you about the fence is that it is a black vinyl coating on a chain link fence. My specifications do not call for slats, so what I will do is go back to the owner, if that’s a requirement. Is this a requirement for the entire fence or just along Rte. 17?

Mr. Russo responds just along Route 17.

Chairman Danzeisen states my question is it looks as though there is a partial fence around the slab from the old administrative building.

Mr. Rosenberger replies yes we are tying in to the old existing fence that was not removed during demos, so that is an existing 6’ chain link fence.

Chairman Danzeisen responds does he want slats in the front of that also? Or just the portion that runs parallel with Route 17?

Mr. Dowd replies just along Route 17. He is seeing this as very helpful because when the police patrol they can see the rest of the site from the sides. A full view of the whole site. The Mayor was concerned about the aesthetics from Route 17M.

Mr. Rosenberger asks are there any concerns regarding the fence itself, the details, in terms of the gauge.

Chairman Danzeisen states I would imagine that you’re using a standard chain like fence, which is 9 gauge wire, correct?
Mr. Rosenberger states yes, its 2" posts, 10' on center, 1 5/8" top rail.

Mr. Russo suggests that the fence posts be 8' on center. And the corners would have to be bigger posts. You may want to check with Frank, if you start putting slats in there when the wind blows the post spacing may need to change. Another question is they have a black vinyl coating fence, what color slats do you want? Maybe it's not a black vinyl fence that you want, maybe it's a green vinyl coated.

Chairman Danzeisen suggests that Mr. Rosenberger meet with the Mayor in the morning to discuss this further.

Mr. Russo states as long as you are aware that this Board will grant approval for the fence with the condition that it will have slats in it. If the owner says no to the slats then you'll wind up coming back to the Board.

Discussion broke out.

MOTION was made by Member Escallier to make this a Type 2 action, seconded by Member Klare. All in favor.

MOTION was made by Member Klare to approve the approximately 770' of 6' high chain link fence, 8' on center with the posts, as outlined with the condition that slats are put in the portion of the fence that's parallel with Route 17 in a color that is acceptable with the Village, seconded by Member Escallier. All in favor.

Mr. Rosenberger states that I will recommend that we switch to 8' on center when I talk to the fence company to see if he also recommends that.

There being no further business, MOTION was made by Member Klare to adjourn the Regular Planning Board meeting at 7:50pm. Seconded by Member Escallier. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted: Barbara Singer, Recording Secretary