

Town of Frankfort Plan Commission Minutes  
5/13/2020

The Town of Frankfort Plan Commission held a virtual remote meeting May 13, 2020. Commission Chair Don Gisch called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm. Plan Commission members present were Don Gisch, Maureen Manore, Donna Gates and Sally Baecker.

Others present: Town Zoning Administrator Dan Fedderly, Rob Maly and Jessica Sandy, both of Dairyland Power

Town Board member Curt Stine, present as a citizen with concerns.

### **Discussion of Possible Conditional Use Permit/Variance for Dairyland Transmission Lines**

Discussion occurred between various people present: Rob Maly, Jessica Sandy, Dan Fedderly, Don Gisch, Maureen Manore, and Sally Baecker and Donna Gates. Rob explained the route of the proposed lines, where they would go, see showed on map, purpose. Lines would cross Hwy County Road N from NW direction of substation, to County Road SS/ D then follow the hill down just ← over a mile. On County Road D to head south .8 mile along rest existing lines close to County Road SS. The purpose stated by the Dairyland Power people is existing lines are in need of replacing due to age, and to replace in existing area is very steep as crosses 3 large hills. Many questions were posed about the exact direction of the new lines. There was difficulty in reading the map provided as to exactly where this CUP was needed.

Again Dairyland Power reps stated, proposal will cross County Road SS then s of County Road SS less than ←1 mile after that is along existing line then exits to crisscross west side of County Road N by Cataracts, then east of County Road N then west of County Road N, with not all on one side, most of which will be on west side of the road.

Dan Fedderly and Maureen Manore discussed how to fit CUP into zoning ordinance. The conditional use needs to be set, need to ID size of lines.

Dan recommended inventorying town roads before and after to assess any damage from this activity.

Rob stated they have easements from all property owners on the needed land.

### **Citizens concerns**

Curt Stine had concerns also about placement of lines related to his property.

Thus, at next meeting Dairyland Power will present in addition to the CUP application

a) Accurate maps of the CUP designated areas, of landowners and a map of changes to properties affected

b) Printed verification of all easements with landowners

Dan recommends verification of all easements to town board.

Sally asked what the new electric poles would look like so were not an "eye sore". A picture will be provided at next meeting. Rob and Jessica stated they are 50-70 feet, and type of steel that looks like wood.

Also, to be provided at next meeting is a more accurate map of the CUP designated areas, of land owners and map of changes of properties affected.

Meeting ended abruptly due to connection problems with Zoom programming, adjourned remotely by Chairman between 1:45 and 2 pm.

Submitted by Sally Baecker, secretary