

**MILLIS CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Room 104, Veterans Memorial Building, 900 Main St., Millis, MA**

April 1, 2019

The meeting was brought to order at 7:35 p.m. by Dr. James Lederer, Chair.

The following members were present:

Dr. James Lederer, Chair

Anne Rich, Vice Chair

Ed Chisholm, Christine Gavin, Daniel Lee

Members Absent: Ram Charan Khalsa

Others present: Dana Altobello, Merrill Eng., 427 Columbia Rd., Hanover, MA

JaiKaur LeBlanc, 30 Myrtle St. (Board of Health)

John McVeigh, Board of Health

**REQUEST FOR DETERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY, PUBLIC HEARING
ORCHARD STREET GAS MAIN PROJECT
COLUMBIA GAS OF MA**

The public hearing was opened at 7:35 p.m. by Dr. Lederer, Chair.

Mr. Altobello, representing the applicant, presented the application and plans. The application is for the proposed installation of a new gas main within a portion of Orchard Street. A portion of the proposed gas main installation route is located within the 100-foot buffer zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetlands, 200-foot Riverfront Area and Bordering Land Subject to Flooding. Mr. Altobello stated that since the proposed project occurs within the existing paved roadway and/or edge of the existing paved roadway, there will be no impact to wetland resource areas. Applicable erosion controls will be implemented during the project to ensure protection of wetland resource areas, he said.

There was discussion regarding the two Bogastow Brook crossings. The Commission cautioned that these locations be looked at closely and if any changes to the work proposed is required; they are to come back before the Commission. The Commission will also require erosion controls be inspected prior to any work commencing.

On a motion made by Ms. Rich, seconded by Mr. Lee, it was voted unanimously to close the public hearing at 7:44 p.m.

On a motion made by Ms. Rich, seconded by Ms. Gavin, it was voted unanimously to approve a Negative 3 Determination of Applicability with the following special conditions:

(1) Notify Commission for erosion control inspection/approval **prior to commencing any work**

(2) ANY unanticipated work (i.e. installation not accomplished via open trench method w/in the existing paved roadway or edge of paved roadway) on the wetland side of the erosion control or at the two Bogastow Brook crossings must have separate ConCom approval

