



TOWN OF COLRAIN

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SELECT BOARD/MLP BOARD HYBRID MEETING* Agenda**

Highway Garage
9 Jacksonville Road
February 11, 2025
4:30 p.m.

Public Comments – The Colrain Select Board encourages citizens to attend its meetings and welcomes their views on pertinent subjects. Anyone may comment for up to two minutes during the Public Comment portion of the agenda regarding an issue that is not on the agenda. However, given that no public notice of the topic has been provided, the Select Board will not engage in discussion. The Select Board will give your issue appropriate consideration. Additional comments during agenda items may be allowed at the discretion of the Chair.

*THIS MEETING WILL BE HYBRID, WITH BOTH AN IN-PERSON AND REMOTE PARTICIPATION OPTION.¹

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Meeting ID: 226 091 830 08
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4:30 p.m. Public Hearing – Joint Petitions for Pole Locations

The Select Board will hold separate public hearings (a.k.a. Pole Hearings) pursuant to M.G.L. c166, §22 and any additions thereto or amendments thereof, at the Colrain Highway Garage, 9 Jacksonville Road, Colrain, MA beginning at 4:30 pm on the three petitions, #18542330, #19230428 and #80201870, with information as attached.

¹ On July 16, 2022, Lt. Governor Polito, as Acting Governor, signed into law An Act Extending Certain COVID-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency. Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023 authorized a further extension – until March 31, 2025 – of the remote meeting provisions established by the initial March 12, 2020 Executive Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law. Section (1) of the executive order allowing public access through adequate, alternative means is independent from Section (2), which allows members of the public body to participate remotely. The public body may conduct its proceedings under the relief provided in section (1) or (2) or both.

PETITION FOR JOINT OR IDENTICAL POLE LOCATIONS

To the Select Board of the Town of Colrain, Massachusetts

EVERSOURCE ENERGY AND VERIZON NEW ENGLAND INC

request permission to locate a line of poles, wires, cables and fixtures, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures along and across the following public way:

LOCATION: The area of Shelburne Line Rd and W Leyden Rd.

PURPOSE: EVERSOURCE is requesting to add a Joint Owned 45' Pole, with Guy/Anchor, to resolve the clearance issue that is present on Shelburne Line Rd. The current span is unusually long, resulting in wires not having the proper clearance above the road.

DRAWING # 18542330

Wherefore they pray that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, they be granted joint location for and permission to construct and maintain a line of poles, wires and cables, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as they may find necessary, said poles to be erected substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith and made a part hereof marked drawing #18542330.

Also for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

Your petitioners agree to reserve space for one crossarm at a suitable point on each of said poles for the fire and police telephone signal wires belonging to the municipality and used by it exclusively for municipal purposes.

EVERSOURCE ENERGY

Tyler Moore

By _____
Tyler Moore
Technician
Phone #312-283-0977

By _____
Albert E. Bessette
Albert Bessette, Manager Right-of-Way
Verizon New England
Dated this 5th day of November, 2024.

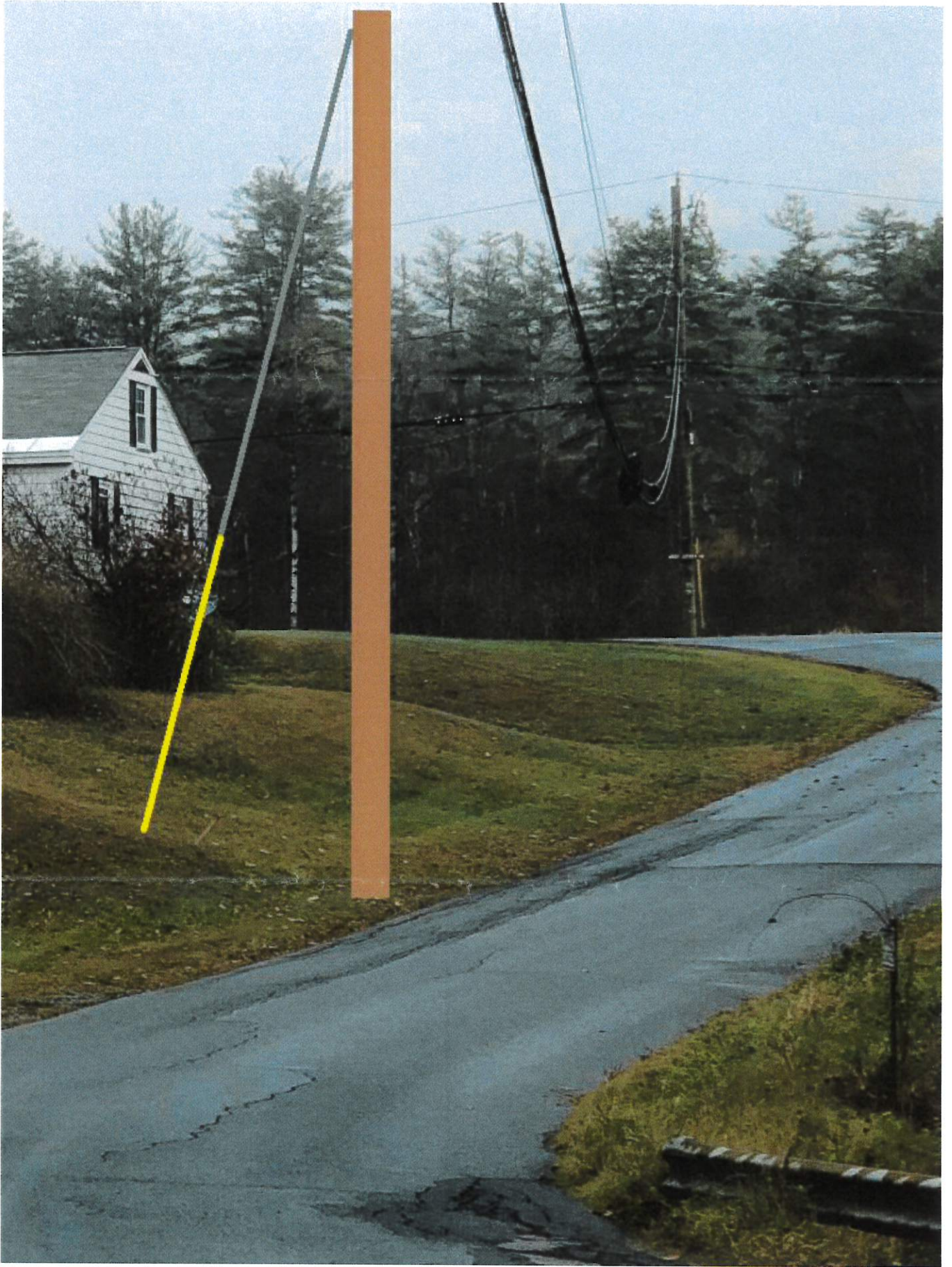
EVERSOURCE	TOWN Colrain
	STREET Shelburne Line Rd

PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION: Requesting to add a Joint Owned 45' Pole, with Guy/Anchor, to resolve the clearance issue that is present on Shelburne Line Rd. The current span is unusually long, resulting in wires not having the proper clearance above the road. No trees will need to be cut or trimmed.



LEGEND			
	PROPOSED JOINT POLE		HEXHOLE
	PROPOSED EVERSOURCE POLE		HANDHOLE
	EXISTING JOINT POLE		MANHOLE
	EXISTING EVERSOURCE POLE		PAD MONT TRANSFORMER
	EXISTING FOREIGN POLE TO BE MADE JOINT		U.G. CONDUIT
	EXISTING EVERSOURCE POLE TO BE MADE JOINT		U.G. PRIMARY CABLE
			U.G. SECONDARY CABLE

DRAWN BY: Tyler Moore	W.O.#: 18542330 W.R.#:	PETITION #: N/A	DISTANCES ARE APPROXIMATE NOT TO SCALE
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PETITION FOR JOINT OR IDENTICAL POLE LOCATIONS

To the Board of Selectmen of the Town of **Colrain**, Massachusetts

EVERSOURCE AND VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.

request permission to locate a line of poles, wires, cables and fixtures, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures to be owned and used in common by your petitioners, along and across the following public way:

PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION:

Eversource is requesting to install 6 new jointly owned poles along E Colrain Rd. Eversource has targeted this road as an area needing improvement due to outage frequencies. Eversource will be upgrading all of the older poles, replacing our overhead primary that does not have a protective coating. Along with installing new poles and wire, we will converting the system voltage in this area due to material shortage of transformers. To bring this road up to Eversource current standard 6 Jointly owned mid-span poles are required to shorten span length, increasing reliability. The first pole will be located 120' NE of existing jointly owned pole 24/6M.

120' NE of P24/6M, 175' SE of P24/14, 170' SE of P24/15, 162' SE of P24/16, 155' of P24/17, 156' SE of P24/21. Eversource has obtained permission of 3 additional mid-span poles that will be located on private property, outside the town taking.

Wherefore they pray that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, they be granted joint or identical locations for and permission to construct and maintain a line of poles, wires and cables, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as they may find necessary, said poles to be erected substantially in accordance with the plan field herewith and made a part hereof marked – **19230428**.

Also for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

Your petitioners agree to reserve space for one crossarm at a suitable point on each of said poles for the fire and police telephone signal wires belonging to the municipality and used by it exclusively for municipal purposes.

EVERSOURCE

By Anthony Michael
Distribution Projects

VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.

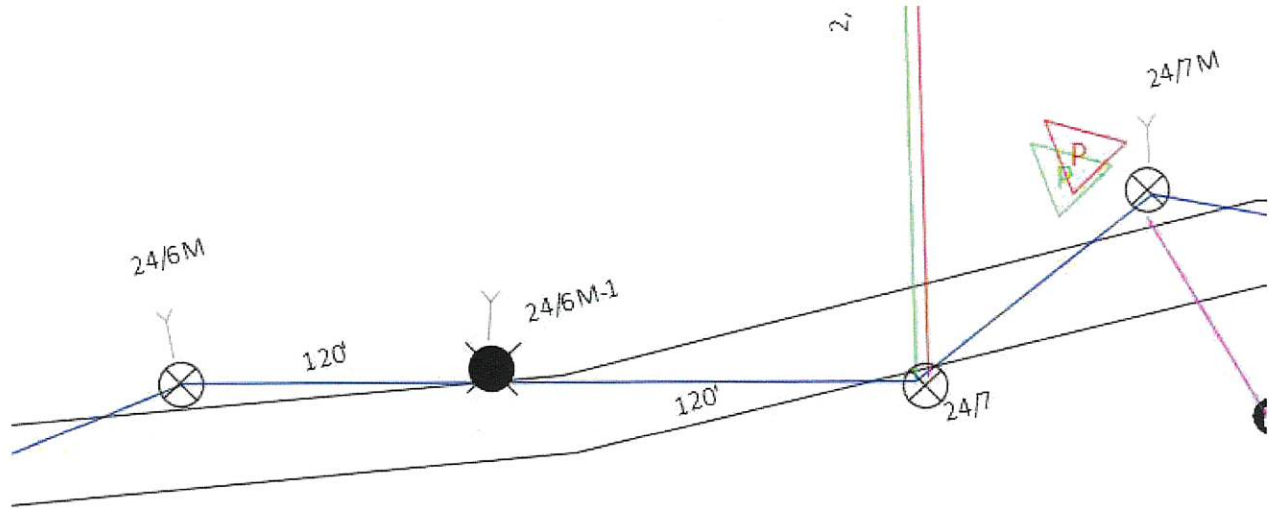
By Albert E. Bessette
Manager Right-of-Way

Dated this 22Nd day of November, 2024

EVERSOURCE ENERGY

CITY: COLRAIN

STREET: E COLRAIN RD.



PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION:

Eversource is requesting to install 6 new jointly owned poles along E Colrain Rd. Eversource has targeted this road as an area needing improvement due to outage frequencies. Eversource will be upgrading all of the older poles, replacing our overhead primary that does not have a protective coating. Along with installing new poles and wire, we will be converting the system voltage in this area due to material shortage of transformers. To bring this road up to Eversource current standard 6 Jointly owned mid-span poles are required to shorten span length, increasing reliability. The first pole will be located 120' NE of existing jointly owned pole 24/6M.

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DRAWN BY: MICHAEL ANTHONY

W.O.#: 19230428
W.R.#:

PETITION #:
N/A

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EVERSOURCE AND VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.

request permission to locate a line of poles, wires, cables and fixtures, including the necessary sustaining and protecting fixtures to be owned and used in common by your petitioners, along and across the following public way:

PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION:

EVERSOURCE TO INSTALL 4 NEW 40FT MID-SPAN POLES ON E COLRAIN RD. THESE POLES ARE REQUIRED TO ACCOMMODATE A LARGER CONDUCTOR. THIS WORK IS PART OF A RELIABILITY UPGRADE FROM SHELBURNE LINE RD TO SMEAD HILL RD. NEW POLE 24/B26M 137FT SET SOUTHERLY FROM EXISTING POLE 24/2. POLE 24/31M 165' S OF 24/31, 24/32M 147' S OF 24/32, 24/33M 150' S OF 24/33

PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION:

EVERSOURCE TO INSTALL 2 40FT POLES ON SHEARER RD. THESE POLES ARE REQUIRED TO ACCOMMODATE A LARGER CONDUCTOR. THIS WORK IS PART OF A RELIABILITY UPGRADE FROM SHELBURNE LINE RD TO SMEAD HILL RD. POLE 52/1M ON SHEARER RD TO BE SET 152' EASTERLY FROM 52/1 AND 52/6M TO BE SET 155' EASTERLY FROM EXISTING POLE 52/6

Wherefore they pray that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, they be granted joint or identical locations for and permission to construct and maintain a line of poles, wires and cables, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as they may find necessary, said poles to be erected substantially in accordance with the plan field herewith and made a part hereof marked – **80201870**.

Also for permission to lay and maintain underground laterals, cables and wires in the above or intersecting public ways for the purpose of making connections with such poles and buildings as each of said petitioners may desire for distributing purposes.

Your petitioners agree to reserve space for one crossarm at a suitable point on each of said poles for the fire and police telephone signal wires belonging to the municipality and used by it exclusively for municipal purposes.

EVERSOURCE

By _____ Travis Walsh _____
Distribution Projects

VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC.

By _____ *Albert E. Bessette* _____
Manager Right-of-Way

Dated this 25th day of November, 2024

