MORRIS INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
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3 EAST STREET
MORRIS, CT 06763

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The regular November 12, 2026 meeting was called to order by the chair at 4:00 pm downstairs in the Community Hall. Present were Robin Viola, Doreen Gagnon , Connie Trolle, Clif Wheeler, and Mike Doyle. Also present were Christopher Vazquez, Carol Hendrichs. And Randy Rivera.

The minutes of the regular October 8, 2026 meeting were accepted as written.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Application 26-13 was received from Connwood Foresters as agent for Farnham Farm for a timber harvest.Also submitted was a letter of agency dated 8-19-26; a Notice of Timber Harvest form dated 11-3-26 by Michael Freiburger; a narrative by Michael Freiburger, managing forester of Connwood Foresters;a page of best management practices; and (2) computor views of the site. The total acreage of the site is 64 acres, with a harvest area of 35 acres with edges marked in the field. About 500 trees have been marked for removal, with many reserve patches throughout the stand. The purpose of the harvest is to reduce compitition, improve growing space for residual trees to encourage regeneration. This will reduce the basal area from 130 to about 75. A second harvest is planned in 15 to 25 years. Ten vernal pools have been flagged on the site, and a 50-foot no entry buffer has been established for each. Skid trails are marked and were established during past harvests. A landing area is located along Farnham Road.

Timber harvest is a permitted "as-of-right" activity requiring a Wetlands review that best management practices are planned. The harvest will be monitored by Connwood Foresters LLC.
On a motion by Connie Trolle, seconded by Doreen Gagnon, it was **VOTED** to approve this application.

Other Business

The not permitted work at 25 Curtis Hill Road has been turned over to the attorney.

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Doyle