

Town of Norwich
Minutes for the Special Selectboard Meeting
Wednesday, October 14, 2026

Active Participants at Tracy Hall: Kimo Griggs (Selectboard Chair), Brendan Classon (Selectboard Vice Chair), Matt Swett (Selectboard Member), Mary Layton (Selectboard Member), Rob Gere (Selectboard Member), and Brennan Duffy (Town Manager).

Active Participants on Zoom:

Key: *Motions noted in italics.*

The meeting was called to order by Chair Griggs at 5:32pm.

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1. Agenda

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Layton moved (Classon 2nd) to approve the agenda as presented by the Chair.

- *Vote: Unanimous*

2. Public Comments for Items not on the Agenda

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3. Consideration of proposed response to potential litigation against the Town by Judy Trussell, including advice from counsel.

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[Proposed Executive Session: 00:04:06](#)

[Public Statement: 00:57:25](#)

Classon moved (Gere 2nd) to find that premature public knowledge of attorney-client communications concerning pending litigation against the Town by former Town employee Judy Trussell would place the Selectboard at a substantial disadvantage, including potentially by waiving client privilege and disclosing confidential information.

- *Vote: Unanimous*

Layton moved (Swett 2nd) to enter executive session for attorney-client communications and discussion of pending litigation against the Town by Judy Trussell, under 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(E) and (F). The Town Manager and Legal Counsel were invited to join.

- *Vote: Unanimous*

The Selectboard entered executive session at 5:37pm.

Layton moved (Swett 2nd) to enter public session.

- *Vote: Unanimous*

The Selectboard entered public session at 6:30pm.

No action was taken in the executive session.

4. Adjournment

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Layton (Swett 2nd) moved to adjourn the meeting.

- *Vote: Unanimous*

Meeting adjourned at 6:31pm.

Minutes taken by Steve Schlauch.