Town of Norwich
Minutes for the Special Selectboard Meeting
Wednesday, October 28, 2026

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

Active Participants on Zoom: Brennan Duffy (Town Manager).

Key: *Motions noted in italics*.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Griggs at 5:31pm.

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1. **Agenda**
   Timestamp: 00:06:17

   Layton moved (Gere 2nd) to approve the agenda as presented by the Chair.
   - *Vote: yes (unanimous)*

2. **Public Comments for Items not on the Agenda**
   Timestamp: 00:07:42

3. **Discussion of employee-related contract with Town Counsel**
   Timestamp: 00:07:58
   Proposed Executive Session: 00:08:15
   Public Statement: 01:01:01

   Layton moved (Swett 2nd) that the Selectboard find that premature general public knowledge regarding the negotiation of a contract and analysis of a legal matter by Town counsel would clearly place the Town at a substantial disadvantage, because the discussion will divulge the Town's position on the contract provisions to be negotiated and will include confidential attorney-client communications made for the purpose of providing professional legal services to the Town.
   - *Vote: yes (unanimous)*

   Layton moved (Swett 2nd) that the Selectboard enter executive session, with the Town Manager and Town counsel to discuss the negotiation of a contract under 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)1(A), the analysis of a legal matter by Town counsel under 1 V.S.A. §313(a)1(F), and matters relating to the employment of a public employee under 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(3).
   - *Vote: yes (unanimous)*

The Selectboard entered executive session at 5:37pm.

Layton moved (Swett 2nd) to enter public session.
- *Vote: yes (unanimous)*

The Selectboard entered public session at 6:26pm.

No action was taken in the executive session; nor was there any information to report.

4. **Adjournment**
Timestamp: 01:02:21

Layton moved (Gere 2nd) to adjourn the meeting.
- *Vote: yes (unanimous)*

Meeting adjourned at 6:27pm.

Minutes taken by Steve Schlauch.

Minutes approved on November 12, 2026

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Kimo Griggs, Selectboard Chair