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**
   Timestamp: 00:00:34

   Layton moved (Classon 2nd) to approve the agenda as presented by the Chair.
   - *Vote: Unanimous*

2. **Public Comments for Items not on the Agenda**
   Timestamp: 00:01:05

3. **Consideration of proposed response to potential litigation against the Town by Judy Trussell, including advice from counsel.**
   Timestamp: 00:01:14
   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**
   Timestamp: 00:57:52

   Layton (Swett 2nd) moved to adjourn the meeting.
   - *Vote: Unanimous*

   Meeting adjourned at 6:31pm.

   Minutes taken by Steve Schlauch.

   Minutes approved on October 28, 2026

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   Kimo Griggs, Selectboard Chair