

## MINUTES

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**BURNEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
Board of Fire Commissioners  
Monday, January 5, 2026  
9:00 AM Special Meeting**

**OPEN SESSION**

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**1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Irene May called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

**2. FLAG SALUTE**

Irene May

**3. ROLL CALL**

Irene May - Present  
Roger Valinoti - Present  
Pamela Grant - Absent  
Karen VanCleave - Present

**4. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

a. Fill the Vacant Board of Commissioners Seat

As reported at the December meeting, the Board authorized the posting to fill the vacancy left by Forrest Bartell's resignation. The appointed position will serve as appointed until the General Election in December 2026. The vacancy was posted according to code for 15 days on the District website, District office and the Shasta County Clerk of the Board website.

Six applications were picked up for the position. Only one person ultimately applied to the vacant Board position. Brian Harris was introduced and interviewed. Afterwards the Board engaged in public deliberation.

On a motion by R. Valinoti and seconded by K. VanCleave, the Board approved the appointment of Brian Harris to fill the vacant board position by the following vote:

Ayes: I. May, R. Valinoti, K. VanCleave  
Noes: None  
Absent: P. Grant  
Abstain: None

The Oath of Office was administered and the Board welcomed Brian Harris as the new Board Member.

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

Irene May adjourned the meeting at 9:20 am.

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Irene May  
Irene May, Vice Chair

1-20-26  
Date

Kathy Newton  
Kathy Newton, Administrative Assistant

1-20-2026  
Date