

## MINUTES

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**BURNEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**  
**Board of Fire Commissioners**  
**Tuesday, May 19, 2026**  
**3:00 PM Regular Meeting**

**OPEN SESSION**

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**1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Irene May called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

**2. FLAG SALUTE**

Irene May led the flag salute.

**3. ROLL CALL**

Irene May - present  
Roger Valinoti - present  
Pamela Grant - present  
Karen VanCleave - present  
Brian Harris - present

**4. AGENDA APPROVAL**

On a motion by R. Valinoti and second by B. Harris, the Agenda was approved by the following vote:

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

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**6. PUBLIC FORUM RESPONSE**

None.

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR**

On a motion by R. Valinoti and second by B. Harris, the Agenda was approved by the following vote:

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

- a. Approval of check register
- b. Monthly Funds Transfer Summary for April
- c. Approval of the Minutes: Regular Meeting April 21, 2026
- d. Monthly financial reports for April
- e. Ambulance accounts receivable reports for April
- f. April Incident Counts

## **8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR**

None.

## **9. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS**

- a. Conduct a Public Hearing with Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No. 2026-01 Adopting the 2025 California Fire Code with Local Amendments and the 2024 International Fire Code

A Public Hearing was opened at 3:10 pm.

Brian Harris commented that he had questions that had been answered regarding warming fire, BBQs, and above ground propane tanks. Roger Valinoti commented on the change of height requirement for address identification increasing to 4 inches.

The Public Hearing was closed at 3:13 pm with no public comment.

On a motion by B. Haris and second by R. Valinoti, the Board voted to introduce Ordinance No. 2026-01 and schedule a Public Second Reading on June 23, 2026, by the following vote:

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

On a motion by R. Valinoti and second by K. VanCleave, the Board voted to Adopt Resolution 2026-02, Adopting the 2025 California Fire Code Findings of Fact establishing that local amendments are necessary due to local climate, topographical, and geological conditions within the Burney Fire Protection District, by the following vote:

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

## **10. CLOSED SESSION**

A closed session was called at 3:16 pm. The session concluded at 3:50 pm.

- a. Public Employee Appointment/Employment  
(Gov. Code § 54957)  
Title - Fire Chief  
Title: Paid Call Firefighter and EMS Personnel
- b. Potential Litigation Gov. Code § 54956.9(d)(2) – Two Matters

#### **11. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

There was no reportable action from the closed session.

#### **12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

The next Fiscal Year Budget will be on the June Agenda.

The second reading of Ordinance 2026-01 will also be on the June Agenda.

Chief May is preparing a new Fee Ordinance to include inspections of Airbnb properties, stand-by services, negligent fires and special operating permits.

There is a conflict for Chief May for the June 16<sup>th</sup> meeting date. The Board agreed to reschedule the meeting for June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 3:00 pm.

#### **13. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT**

The Fire Department received a Thank you letter from a community member who needed help when a solar powered battery began to fill his room with smoke.

We are working on gathering all the documents required for Medi-Cal revalidation.

Chief May is looking at our method of reporting on the Ground Ambulance Cost Recovery report.

The PG&E compression station issue with the lack of fire hydrants is still unresolved. There is no documentation on file with the County.

Fuel vendors are setting up unpermitted tanks at a logging business in Johnson Park. The tanks are not in compliance with Fire Code. After talking with the logging business, but seeing no action, a formal abatement letter will be sent this week.

The Financial Committee met earlier this month and will bring their findings to the June board meeting.

Air conditioning for the front offices and completing the outside painting of the Station are in the 26-27 Budget.

Weed abatement was done at the Johnson Park station 18.

The Pancake Breakfast on May 9<sup>th</sup> was a success. We have received good feedback that it was a fun event, and the food was delicious.

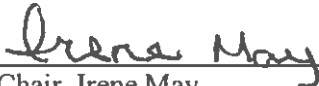
FEMA Grants just opened again. We will apply for a new grant which could possibly replace another ambulance.


**14. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

**15. ADJOURNMENT**


Irene May adjourned the meeting at 4:26 pm.

A complete agenda packet is available for public inspection at the office of the Board Secretary, 37072 Main Street, during regular business hours, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday – Thursday.

  
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Board Chair, Irene May

  
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Administrative Assistant, Kathy Newton

  
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