

**ORLAND FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
810 5TH STREET
ORLAND, CA 95963**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
January 27, 2026**

Board Members:
Rob Silveira-Board President
Ron Goings-Board Secretary
Mike Schager
Dave Kelly
Darin Titus

Chief-Justin Chaney
Mark Sarmento-1st Asst.
Eddie Martinez-2nd Asst.

1. Call to Order:

A. Board President Rob Silveira called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. Roll Call: Present were Board Members Rob Silveira, Mike Schager, Dave Kelly, Darin Titus, Ron Goings

Absent:

Others present: Chief Chaney, Mica Alva,
Chief Sarmento

3. Business:

- A.** Board President Rob Silveira read a letter from Mike Schager announcing his formal resignation, effective January 30, 2026. In his letter, Mr. Schager stated that the decision was difficult but ultimately the best course of action. He expressed appreciation for his years of service. Mr. Schager's service record was noted: appointed June 1, 1999, with a total of 26 years and 6 months of service. The Board, Chief, and volunteers each expressed their gratitude for Mr. Schager's dedication and longstanding support of the Rural Protection District and its volunteers.
- B.** The following candidates were presented for consideration: Matt Schager and Steve Halsey. Discussion reflected strong support for Steve Halsey. Board members and attendees noted his frequent participation at district events, ongoing donations, informed engagement in district matters, advocacy for the assessment, and support from many volunteers. Board members further highlighted Mr. Halsey's understanding of board responsibilities and overall suitability for the position.
Board President Rob Silveira opened nominations for the vacant position. Dave Kelly made a motion to appoint Steve Halsey to the vacant board position on the Orland Fire Protection District. Ron Goings seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0.
- C.** Discussion was held regarding purchase of a Ford fleet diesel truck (heavy-duty, single rear axle), with red preferred; white units are available immediately. Corning Ford estimates approximately three (3) months lead time for red. The proposed configuration includes an MTEC skid unit with storage boxes, 200-gallon water tank, 10 gallons of foam, hose reel

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(approx. 200 feet), under-bed storage for 1.5-inch hose, roll bar with lighting, winch, radios (using existing equipment), lights, sirens, and graphics. The prior bulky passenger-side box was removed from the design. Vehicle weight will exceed 10,000 lbs to avoid diesel smog requirements. Estimated costs: Ford truck: \$66,325 (price confirmed) MTEC outfitting: \$47,490 (installation included taxes likely excluded). Graphics to be completed by Steve Moss (Willows). Next steps include placing the order with Corning Ford (payment due upon delivery) and notifying MTEC to hold pricing and proceed.

Ron Goings made a motion to proceed to purchase and upfit the Assistant Chief's truck, with the assignment designated to the 1st Assistant Chief, seconded by Darin Titus. Motion passed 5-0.

4. Closed Session:

- A. None

5. Adjourn:

- A. Dave Kelly motioned to adjourn meeting at 6:27pm.