



**NORTH COLLIER FIRE CONTROL AND RESCUE DISTRICT
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS' SPECIAL MEETING**

MINUTES

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2026 ■ 9:00 AM
1885 Veterans Park Drive ■ Naples, FL 34109

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Christopher Lombardo called meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. With five of five commissioners present, quorum was met. (Christopher Crossan, James Calamari, Norman Feder, Christopher Lombardo and Stephen Popper all present.) District Counsel, Laura Donaldson, was present by phone call in.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. DISCUSSION REGARDING ITB 25-002: STATION 49 CONSTRUCTION

Deputy Chief Kris Thomas gave a verbal summary overview of the ITB process for the construction of Station 49, including the rejection of lowest bidder Rycon, based on evaluation criteria. Discussion ensued with Matthew Mastrofranceso from Rycon addressing the Board, stating his disagreement of the Board's decision. Discussion continued with difference of opinions noted. Attorney Donaldson provided the Board with three options: 1) uphold the recommendation of Fire Chief Ricardo to award the contract to Build, LLC as decided at the December 18, 2025 Board meeting; 2) reject the Fire Chief's recommendation to award the contract to Build, LLC and award the contract to Rycon; or 3) initiate the ITB process again. After further discussion regarding the three options and the potential impacts of each, Board consensus was to uphold the award of the contract to Build LLC. Commissioner Popper motioned to accept the Board's December 18, 2025 decision to award the contract for Station 49 to Build, LLC. Commissioner Calamari seconded. MOTION CARRIED 5:0

4. COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS

The Board thanked the Rycon representatives, Matthew Mastrofranceso and John Limbaugh, for their comments and for appearing before the Board.

5. COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC

None

6. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Feder moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Calamari seconded. MOTION CARRIED 5:0 Meeting adjourned at 10:12 a.m.