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MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TENTH ANGUILLA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 7TH MAY 2013

PRESENT: His Excellency the Governor, Mr Alistair Harrison
The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Stanley Reid
The Honourable Jerome Roberts, Minister of Lands, Physical Planning, Human Rights, Environment, Gender Affairs and Agriculture and Fisheries
The Honourable Evan Gumbs, Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities and Housing
The Honourable Attorney General, Mr James Wood
Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Gifford Connor, DLS

ABSENT: The Honourable Hubert Hughes, Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Economic Development, Investment, Commerce and Tourism and Minister of Labour and Immigration
The Honourable Edison Baird, Minister of Social Development, Health, Sports and Education

EX MIN 13/331 **EX MIN 13/329 EX MEM 13/160 BLOWING POINT PORT EXPANSION PROJECT; ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY FROM MITCHELL CONNOR ET AL: SECTION WEST CENTRAL, BLOCK 28409B, PARCEL 39**

Mr Gifford Connor, DLS joined the Meeting.

Further to EX MIN 13/329 of 6th May 2013, Council agreed that:-

- (i) the GoA is willing to make a 50% deposit (US\$387,500.00) by Friday 17th May 2013 upon receipt of signed letters by tenants acknowledging receipt of notice to vacate the property within two (2) months;
- (ii) the AG's Chambers should draft an Agreement to be ready for all parties before Friday 17th May 2013;

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- (iii) if needs be, Council was mindful to pay for a return ticket to Anguilla/Dominica for Mr David Connor to sign the document and collect his portion of monies;
- (iv) the remaining 50% (US\$387,500.00) should be paid in three (3) months, once the building has been completely vacated and the keys handed over to the GoA.

Council authorised the issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the Minutes.

Action: PS, EDICT; DLS; PS, FIN; PS, MHA/LANDS; PS, MICUH; ACC GEN

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EX MIN 13/317 EX MEM 13/151 REDUNDANCY OF SENIOR PARLIAMENTARY COUNSEL – ATTORNEY GENERAL CHAMBERS

Further to EX MIN 13/317 of 2nd May 2013, HE The Governor made the following statement regarding the above:-

“I indicated at Executive Council on 2 May that I intended to rule under Section 28 (2) (e) of the Constitution that the decision to amend the previous EXCO decision on the re-structuring of the AG’s chambers would cause material prejudice to Her Majesty’s service and that I therefore did not intend to follow EXCO’s advice as I am normally bound to do. I also indicated that I would explore further options before the minutes, and hence the EXCO decision, were confirmed.

I have decided on reflection and after discussion not to have recourse to the relevant sub-section of the Constitution. I continue to believe that use of this section would be justified to ensure the integrity of the appointment of individual public service officers. But I also fully accept that it is for the elected Ministers to make decisions on financial issues. I have noted the assurances given during EXCO discussion that the proposal was put forward by the Chief Minister as a financial matter, aimed at saving public money, and not directed at a particular individual.”

Action: HE; HON CM; AG
