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**MINUTES OF THE 156<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE TWELFTH ANGUILLA**  
**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 12<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2023 AT 9.00 AM**

- PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms. Julia Crouch
- The Honourable Premier and Minister for Finance, Economic Development & Investment and Health, and Acting Minister for Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing and Tourism, Dr Ellis Webster
- Deputy Governor, Mr Perin Bradley
- The Honourable Minister for Home Affairs, Immigration, Labour, Human Rights, Constitutional Affairs, Information and Broadcasting, Lands and Physical Planning and Acting Minister for: Sustainability, Innovation and Environment; and Social Development, Cultural Affairs, Youth Affairs, Gender Affairs, Education and Library Services, Mr Kenneth Hodge
- The Honourable Attorney General, Mr Dwight Horsford
- Acting Clerk to Executive Council, Ms Jennyville Smith
- IN ATTENDANCE: The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Mr Merrick Richardson
- The Head of the Governor's Office, Mr Orlando Ames-Lewis
- ABSENT: The Honourable Minister for Social Development, Cultural Affairs, Youth Affairs, Gender Affairs, Education and Library Services, Ms Dee-Ann Kentish-Rogers
- The Honourable Minister for Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing and Tourism, Mr Haydn Hughes
- The Honourable Minister for Sustainability, Innovation and Environment, Mrs Quincia Gumbs-Marie

EX MIN 23/303

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Parliamentary Secretary and The Head of the Governor's Office remained.

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 155<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Executive Council held on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2023.

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

EX MIN 23/304

**EX MEMO 23/243 Application for Issue of Licence Under The Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – S.B One Ltd. – Registration Section: East Central, Block 89118 B, Parcel 266 Being 1.00 Acre**

Parliamentary Secretary and The Head of the Governor's Office remained.

The Hon Minister for Home Affairs briefed Council. Further to Executive Council Minute 23/268 granting the approval of an Aliens Land Holding Licence to S.B One Ltd. through its directors Xavier Henri Maurice Pignet and Jerome Paul Hubert Chretien to hold on a freehold basis, vacant property situated in Registration Section: East Central, Block 89118 B, described as Parcel 266 being 1.00 acre located at Shoal Bay, Anguilla for tourism purposes under certain conditions noted as clauses (a) – (e).

Council agreed to:

1. amend clause (c) of the said conditions to read:

(c) The Applicant Company be exempted from the Government's Policy on restricting Aliens from holding no more than half an acre on the grounds that the intended purchaser is developing a tourism product that would yield financial revenue for the Government through sales and rentals.

2. include a clause (f) to the said conditions to read:

(f) The Licensee shall permit the authorised officers or agents of the Government of Anguilla access to the land to inspect the site and work on-site from time to time.

Council authorized the issue of the Action Sheet before confirmation of the Minutes.

Action: PS, HA; DLS; HON, MIN HA, HON, AG

EX MIN 23/305

**EX MEMO 23/244 Application for issue of Licence Under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – Sea Rocks Incorporated – Registration Section: East Central, Block 89218 B, Parcels 344, 345 and 346 being 1.32 acres, 0.53 acre and 0.50 acre respectively for a total of 2.35 acres**

Parliamentary Secretary and The Head of the Governor's Office remained.

Council agreed to approve the granting of an Aliens Land Holding Licence to Sea Rocks Incorporated to hold through its director Steven Ray Fusilier on a freehold basis property situated in Registration Section: East Central, Block 89218 B, described as Parcels 344, 345, and 346 being 1.32 acres, 0.53 of an acre and 0.50 of an acre respectively for a total of 2.35 acres of land, located in Shoal Bay, with villas under construction thereon, for tourism purposes, subject to the following Stamp Duty payments:

(a) Parcel 344		
(i) under the Stamp Act – 5% of EC\$2,553,790.00		EC\$127,689.50
(ii) under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 5% of EC\$2,553,790.00		<u>EC\$127,689.50</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b><u>EC\$255,379.00</u></b>
Parcel 345 (Vacant)		
(i) under the Stamp Act – 5% of EC\$620,974.20		EC\$31,048.71
(ii) under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 6.25% of EC\$620,974.20		<u>EC\$38,810.89</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b><u>EC\$69,859.60</u></b>

Parcel 346 (Vacant)	
(i) under the Stamp Act – 5% of EC\$588,715.80	EC\$29,435.79
(ii) under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 6.25% of EC\$588,715.80	<u>EC\$36,794.74</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>EC\$66,230.53</u></b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b><u>EC\$391,469.13</u></b>

- (b) The property is to be used for tourism purposes.
- (c) The Applicant shall, during the period of construction, permit the authorized officers or agents of the Government of Anguilla access to the land to inspect the site and building work.
- (d) The development shall be completed within twenty-four [24] months. Thereafter, the Applicant shall pay EC\$3,500 following the twenty-four [24] months period, increasing by 5% yearly for every year uncompleted for a period of twenty-four [24] months thereafter [i.e., a total development period of forty-eight [48] months]. Following such forfeiture, proceedings will commence if there is no significant justification for the delay.
- (e) The Applicant Company be exempted from Government's Policy on restricting Aliens from holding no more than half an acre on the grounds that the intent purchaser is developing a tourism product that would yield financial revenue for the Government through rentals.

The Licensees shall fully comply with the laws of Anguilla from time to time including the Land Development Control Act, the Property Tax Act, the Building Regulations, the Labour Relations Act 2018 and Control of Employment Act Regulations, the Social Security Act, the Immigration and Passport Regulations and any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof and any rules or regulations

Action: PS, HA; DLS; HON, MIN HA, HON, AG

EX MIN 23/306

**EX MEMO 23/245 Video Link For COP V. Mackel Collins**

Parliamentary Secretary and The Head of the Governor's Office remained.

In the matter of COP v Mackel Collins scheduled for 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 and any other adjourned date, the Crown proposes to call witnesses who are resident overseas.

Council agreed that there are suitable facilities available for the purposes of receiving evidence from witnesses through a live link pursuant to section 27(3)(b) of the Evidence Act.

Action: SCC (Cr): HON, AG

EX MIN 23/307

**EX MEMO 23/246 Anguilla Population and Housing (AP&H) Census 2022 Update**

Parliamentary Secretary and The Head of the Governor's Office remained.

The Acting Minister for SIE briefed Council. Chief Statistician, Mrs Lori-Rae Alleyne-Franklin and Statistical Officer, Mrs. Natalie Lake joined the meeting.

The Anguilla Statistics Department has been requested to provide a monthly update on the progress of the Anguilla Population and Housing Census 2022 enumeration phase.

The table below outlines the status as at 05 October 2023:

	No. of EDs	Completed	Near Complete	In Progress	Needs Enumerators
October 05, 2023	54	24	10	17	3
September 12, 2023	54	16	16	16	6
July 4, 2023	54	11	15	13	15
June 14, 2023	54	10	15	19	10

*Definitions:*

*Completed - all stages completed except validation.*

*Near complete – between 1-20 building points - households and the individuals therein to be completed.*

The enumeration phase is approximately **71.1%** complete, as at October 05, 2023 at 12:36pm.

Council:

- 1) noted the status of the Anguilla Population and Housing Census 2022 and continues to express concerns about the pace of progress.
- 2) Recognising that the ASD needs suitably qualified and motivated staff in order to meet the end of December deadline asks the ASD to provide the Governors office with a list of enumerators who have already successfully completed their assigned task and are willing to continue to support the process to meet the December 31, 2023 date set for completion. Agreed that Ministers will ask PS to release these essential people to enable the census deadline to be met.
- 3) agreed that all Ministers will continue to proactively sensitize and encourage the public to become engaged in the Census process; and
- 4) instructs the ASD to prepare and provide its next update for the 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2023.

Action: PS EDMSIE; CHF, ST; HON, MIN MSIE

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