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MINUTES OF THE 7TH MEETING OF THE THIRTEENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 17TH APRIL 2025 AT 9.00 AM

Present:

- Her Excellency the Governor, Ms. Julia Crouch OBE
- The Honourable Premier, Mrs. Cora Richardson-Hodge
- The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr. Perin A. Bradley
- The Honourable Minister of Health, Tourism and Sports, Mr. Cardigan Connor
- The Honourable Minister of Economic Development, Industry, Commerce, Lands, Planning, Water and Natural Resources, Mr. Kyle Hodge
- The Honourable Minister of Social Development, Education and Library, Youth & Culture, Mrs. Shellya Rogers-Webster
- The Honourable Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, IT and E-Government Services, Mr. Jose Vanterpool
- The Honourable Attorney General (Acting), Ms. Dawne Richardson

In Attendance:

- Acting Clerk to Executive Council, Ms. Steddika Richardson
- The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Mr. Cordell Richardson
- Ministerial Assistant, Sports, Youth & Culture, Mr. Jeison Bryan

EX MIN 25/75 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

The Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Acting Clerk to the Executive Council remained.

Council confirmed the minutes of the Meeting of the Executive Council held on Thursday, 10th April 2025.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

None.

EX MIN 25/76

EX MEMO 25/60 Application to Host Raffle and Exemption from Public Lotteries Tax

The Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Acting Clerk to the Executive Council remained.

Council considered EX MEM 25/60, submitted by the Minister of Social Development, seeking approval for the Anguilla Boat Racing Association to host a raffle and to be exempted from the public lotteries tax. The raffle aims to raise funds for the Association's 2025 activities in support of Anguilla's national sport.

Executive Council:

- 1. Approved the application to host a raffle comprising 1,008 tickets at US\$20 each; and
- 2. Granted an exemption from the 10% Public Lotteries Tax under Section 8 of the Public Lotteries Tax Act.

Action: PS FIN; PS SDE; HON MIN, SDE; HON AG.

EX MIN 25/77

EX MEMO 25/61 Programme of Activities for the Celebration of the 58th Anniversary of the Anguilla Revolution and Anguilla Day 2025

The Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Acting Clerk to the Executive Council remained.

Council considered EX MEM 25/61 and approved the proposed activities and theme for the 58th Anniversary of the Anguilla Revolution and Anguilla Day 2025.

Executive Council:

- 1. Approved the programme of activities; and
- 2. Endorsed the theme: "Fulfilling the dreams of our revolutionaries making unity and patriotism our priorities!"

Action: PS, FIN; HON PREM.

EX MIN 25/78

EX MEMO 25/62 Termination of Approval- Lease to Christian Sutton

The Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Acting Clerk to the Executive Council remained.

Council considered EX MEM 25/62 proposing the revocation of prior Executive Council approvals granted to Mr. Christian Sutton for the lease of Crown land at Long Path due to failure to execute the lease.

Executive Council:

- 1. Revoked EX MIN 09/475, 10/83, 12/699, and 13/597; and
- 2. Directed that future approvals include a time limit for execution.

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

Action: DLS; PS, HA; HON MIN, MEDICPNR.

EX MIN 25/79

EX MEMO 25/63 Licence to Use Crown Land- Lucita Phillips

The Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Acting Clerk to the Executive Council remained.

Council considered EX MEM 25/63 concerning Ms. Lucita Phillips, who erected a provision stall on Crown land without a licence.

Executive Council:

- 1. Granted a one-year licence to Ms. Phillips over 0.09 acres of Parcel 287 at EC\$3,225.84 per annum;
- 2. Noted the need for a long-term development plan for the area.

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

Action: DLS; PS, HA; HON MIN MEDICPR.

EX MIN 25/80

EX MEMO 25/64 Application for Issue of Licence Under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act- [Redacted Text] - Registration Section: East Central, Block 89117 B, Parcel 503 being 0.30 of an Acre

The Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Acting Clerk to the Executive Council remained.

Council considered EX MEM 25/64 regarding [Redacted Text] application to purchase land for residential purposes.

Executive Council approved the granting of an Aliens Land Holding Licence to [Redacted Text] to hold vacant property situated in Registration Section: East Central, Block 89117 B, described as Parcel 503 located in Shoal Bay for residential purposes, subject to:

- a) Stamp duties payable are as follows:
- (i) under the Stamp Act 5% of EC\$43,011.20

EC\$2,150.56

(ii) under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 6.25% of EC\$43,011.20

Waived

(iii) refundable deposit – 10% of EC\$43,011.20

Waived

TOTAL

EC\$2,150.56

- b) Regulations to be issued by the Attorney General's Chambers.
- c) The property is to be used for residential purposes.
- d) The Licensee be granted an exemption from the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act fee and payment of a refundable deposit, under Section 16 of the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act on the grounds that [Redacted Text] is an employee with the Government of Anguilla and is a valuable asset to the Government of Anguilla; as well as generating additional revenue for the economy through construction.
- e) The Licensee must not rent their dwelling house without first notifying the Ministry with responsibility for Economic Development, Investment, and Commerce.

- f) The Licensee shall fully comply with the laws of Anguilla in force from time to time including the Land Development Control Act, the Property Tax Act, the Building Regulations, the Labour Relations Act 2018 and Work Permit Regulations 2023, the Social Security Act, the Immigration and Passport Regulations and any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof and any rules or regulations made there under.
- g) Any breach of any of the conditions of this Licence shall result in all the estate and interest of the Licensee in the land being liable for forfeiture to the Crown.
- h) That the Government of Anguilla forgo taxes in the amount of EC\$6,989.32; and
- i) That the Ministry of Finance records the taxes waived in the amount of EC\$6,989.32.

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

Action: DLS; PS, HA; HON MIN, MEDICPNR.

EX MIN 25/81

EX MEMO 25/65 Amendment to Police Act- Audio-Video Recordings

The Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Acting Clerk to the Executive Council remained.

Council reviewed EX MEM 25/65 proposing legislative changes to allow the use of AVR in interviews conducted by the RAPF.

Executive Council:

- Approved the request for drafting authority for legislative amendments to the Police Act and, if needed, amendment to the Evidence Act to enable the conducting of audio and/or video recorded interviews of suspects and their admission as evidence;
- 2. Noted the RAPF Interview Policy on the conduct of audio and video recorded interviews and legislative instructions; and
- 3. Agreed that the amended draft will be subject to public consultation.

Action: HON DG; CoP; HON AG.

EX MIN 25/82

EX MEMO 25/66 Appointment of Members to the Anguilla Social Security Board (ASSB) by the Minister with Responsibility for Social Security

The Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Acting Clerk to the Executive Council remained.

Council reviewed EX MEM 25/66 on the reconstitution of the ASSB under the Social Security Act.

Executive Council:

- 1. Approved the removal of current appointees;
- 2. Appointed the following effective 24 April 2025 for three years:
 - a) Navine Fleming (Chairperson Employers' Rep)
 - b) Malone Richardson (Deputy Chair Government Rep)
 - c) Remieko Richard (Government Rep)
 - d) Bernard Wattley (Employers' Rep)
 - e) Sheila Richardson-Hodge (Employees' Rep)
 - f) Jerome Roberts (Employees' Rep)
 - g) Calniya Hughes (Alternate Government)
 - h) Shaquoi Morton (Alternate Employees)
 - i) Marie Rey (Alternate Employers)

Action: PAS, FIN; PS, FIN; HON PREM.

EX MIN 25/83

EX MEMO 25/67 Contractual Terms- Director of Social Security Board

The Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Acting Clerk to the Executive Council remained.

Council considered EX MEM 25/67 and approval of the draft contract for the Director of Social Security. Council noted that in light of the change of members of the SSB the new Board would be consulted on the terms and conditions. ExCo advised that their strong preference was for the role to be readvertised. Detailed consideration of the terms and conditions were adjourned to a later date.

Executive Council adjourned consideration of the terms and conditions for a later date.

Action: HON DG.

EX MIN 25/84

EX MEMO 25/68 Burial Request- Albert Lake Designated Burial Site

The Hon. Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture and Acting Clerk to the Executive Council remained.

Council reviewed EX MEM 25/68 and the exceptional request to allow the burial of additional family members at the Albert Lake Burial Site.

Executive Council:

- 1. Granted exceptional approval for installation of six burial vaults;
- 2. Directed the development of a national cemetery policy within six months; and
- 3. Directed planning assessment and consultation on the site.

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

Action: DLS; PS, HA, HON MIN, MEDICRP.

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