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# MINUTES OF THE 158<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE TENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2013

PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms Christina Scott

The Honourable Hubert Hughes, Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Economic Development, Investment, Commerce and Tourism and Minister of Labour and Immigration and Minister of Social Development and Health

The Honourable Evan Gumbs, Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities and Housing

The Honourable Acting Deputy Governor, Dr Bonnie Richardson-Lake

The Honourable Attorney General, Mr James Wood QC

Mrs Sonia Brooks, Acting Clerk to Executive Council

ABSENT: 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 and Minister of Sports and Education, Library Services, Sports, Youth and Culture

IN ATTENDANCE: Dr Wycliffe Fahie, Chairman, Procurement Board

Ms Dawne Richardson, Member, Procurement Board

Mr Larry Franklin, PS, MICUH

Mr Remington Lake, Acting CEO, Anguilla Air and Sea Ports Authority

Mr Bancroft Battick, Chief Engineer

Mr Rawle Hazell, Director of Housing and Construction

Mr Perin Bradley, Trade and Investment Officer

# EX MIN 13/511 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 157<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July and the Minutes of the Special Meeting held on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2013.

# **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

### EX MIN 13/512 EX MIN 13/489 EX MIN 13/451 EX MEM 13/21 CE BLUE PROJECT MOU

Mr Perin Bradley Trade and Investment Officer joined the meeting.

Council noted that Ce Blue had accepted all the changes made and the MOU is ready to be signed.

Action: PS, EDICT

### EX MIN 13/513 EX MIN 13/505 MEETING OF ATTORNEYS GENERAL

It was noted that the Hon Attorney General had a discussion with the PS Finance who indicated that funds are extremely limited and it would not be appropriate to expend funds in travelling to the Falklands, given that the same resources would probably cover four regional trips. The Hon Attorney General has agreed to forego the meeting.

# EX MIN 13/514 EX MIN 13/509 MID-YEAR FISCAL REPORT

HE the Governor requested that the presenters of the mid-year fiscal report should be reminded to send their presentations by soft copies.

Action: CL, EXCO

### EX MIN 13/515 **EX MIN 13/510 WASTE COLLECTION**

Dr Wycliffe Fahie, Chairman of the Procurement Board and Ms Dawne Richardson, Member of the Procurement Board joined the meeting.

The Chairman of the Procurement Board indicated that the issues raised by the Board with the Procurement Authority/Evaluation Committee for waste collection were of considerable importance which explained why the Procurement Board had not as yet made a decision in relation to the tenders for the waste collection contracts. He pointed out that the Board was concerned with how the process for evaluation of the tenders, which is documented, would be viewed by a third part such as the Audit Department.

### More specifically:

- (i) the Board had reviewed the evaluation report from the Procurement Authority, met with the Evaluation team from the Authority, raised and documented questions and concerns, received written responses from the evaluation team and Board members were individually reviewing the answers. A meeting to collectively review the answers was tentatively scheduled for 6<sup>th</sup> and or 7<sup>th</sup> August 2013;
- (ii) the Board would need to be satisfied that all bases were covered in terms of consistency with the Procurement Act because this was the first multi-year contract that was being considered since the enactment of the Procurement Act; and

(iii) the Board wanted to ensure for example that the methodology described by the Evaluation team was used consistently and that scores and the corresponding narrative were in accordance with each other.

The Chairman of the Procurement Board also indicated that the Procurement Board would like a similar meeting with Executive Council concerning the garbage disposal tendering process. The Board had issues and would like to have the air cleared so that a proper decision was made.

Further to EX MIN 13/510 of 29 July 2013, Council agreed to extend the existing contracts for waste collection until August 31, 2013.

Council further agreed to discuss waste collection and disposal on August 15, 2013.

Action: PS, HSD; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; ACC GEN

### EX MIN 13/516

# EX MEM 13/216 APPROVAL AND PUBLICATION OF FINAL REPORT "SUPPORT TO THE ANGUILLA AIR AND SEA PORTS AUTHORITY"

Mr Larry Franklin, PS, MICUH joined the meeting.

### Council:-

- (i) endorsed in principle the finding and recommendations of the final Report "Support for the Anguilla Air and Sea Ports Authority;
- (ii) approved the release and publication of the final report; and
- (iii) noted that a number of actions will have to be undertaken by the Government of Anguilla and the Anguilla Air and Sea Ports Authority with respect to the implementation of the recommendations in the final report;
- (iv) directed the Ministry of Infrastructure to review and coordinate the implementation of the recommendations pertaining to the Government of Anguilla. However, Executive Council reserves the right to consider and implement each and all of the recommendations on a case by case basis.

Action: PS, MICUH

# EX MIN 13/517

# EX MEM 13/236 SEAPORTS FEES REGULATIONS FOR THE ANGUILLA AIR AND SEA PORTS AUTHORITY ACT

Mr Larry Franklin, PS, MICUH remained for discussion.

#### Council:-

(i) approved the gazetting of the Seaports Fees Regulations; and

(ii) agreed to the laying of the Seaports Fees Regulations before the House of Assembly.

Action: PS, MICUH; AG

# EX MIN 13/518 EX MEM 13/237 BLOWING POINT MEGA YACHT MARINA MOU REASSIGNMENT

Mr Perin Bradley, Trade and Investment Officer remained for discussion.

Council agreed that the paper should be deferred.

Action: PS, EDICT; TIO

# EX MIN 13/519 EX MEM 13/238 HARRIGAN TOWN PLAZA LEASE AND MOU

Mr Perin Bradley, Trade and Investment Officer remained for discussion.

Council agreed that:-

- (i) the lease should be amended to start on August 1<sup>st</sup> 2013, with one year grace period in consideration of rent paid for the fiscal year 2011;
- (ii) all monies paid toward annual rent should be transferred to payment of Stamp Duty; and
- (iii) the developer should be invited to resubmit the MOU for consideration.

Action: PS, EDICT; TIO

# EX MIN 13/520 <u>EX MEM 13/239 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION FOR KINGDOM CITIZENS CHURCH</u>

Council agreed that duty exemption should be granted to Kingdom Citizens Church (c/o Pastor Rondy Isles-Carty) on chairs.

Action: PS, FIN; PAS, FIN; COC; FO

## EX MIN 13/521 EX MEM 13/240 PUBLIC HOLIDAY FOR 2014

Council approved the list of Public Holidays for 2014 as follows:-

New Year's Day Wednesday, 1 January

James Ronald Webster Monday, 3 March

Day

Good Friday Friday, 18 April

Easter Monday Monday, 21 April

Labour Day Thursday, 1 May

Anguilla Day Friday, 30 May

Monday, 9 June Whit Monday

Celebration of the Birthday

of Her Majesty The Queen

**August Monday** Monday, 4 August

August Thursday Thursday, 7 August

**Constitution Day** Friday, 8 August

National Heroes and Heroines

Day

Friday, 19 December

Monday, 16 June

Christmas Day Thursday, 25 December

Boxing Day Friday, 26 December

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

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PAS, MHA/LANDS

#### EX MIN 13/522 EX MEM 13/241 STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY OF THE ROAD BAY **JETTY**

Mr Larry Franklin, PS, MICUH remained for discussion. Messrs Remington Lake, Acting CEO, Sea Ports Authority, Bancroft Battick, Chief Engineer and Rawle Hazell, Director of Housing and Construction joined the meeting.

Officials of the Ministry of Infrastructure gave a comprehensive briefing of the state of the structural integrity of the Road Bay jetty.

Council agreed that terms of reference for a consultancy to undertake a structural assessment of the jetty should be drawn up and reported back to EXCO on 22 August 2013.

Action: PS, MICUH

#### EX MEM 13/242 ADVERTISING OF A PRISON OFFICER POST DUE TO EX MIN 13/523 **RESIGNATION**

Council approved the advertising of a Prison Officer post at HM Prison due to resignation.

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

Action: PS, HSD; PS, PA; PS, FIN; BD

# **ORAL MENTION**

# EX MIN 13/524 ANANYA VILLAS MOU

Mr Perin Bradley, Trade and Investment Officer remained for discussion.

Council agreed that the customs administration fee should remain at 5%.

Action: PS, EDICT; TIO

# EX MIN 13/525 **FUEL STORAGE PROJECT**

Mr Perin Bradley, Trade and Investment Officer remained for discussion.

Mr Bradley noted that the developers had requested of the Government of Anguilla the assistance in procuring the necessary parcels of land to complete the project. Given the nature of the request the developers would be asked to contact a reputable real estate agent.

Action: PS, EDICT; TIO

# EX MIN 13/526 **OVERSEAS TRAVEL**

The Hon Minister of Infrastructure informed Council that he would be off island from 12 - 18 August 2013.

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