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MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 28TH OCTOBER 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, Minister of Social Development and Health

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 Education, Library Services, Sports, Youth and Culture
- The Honourable Evan Gumbs, Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities and Housing

The Honourable Attorney General, Mr James Wood QC

Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council

- IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Foster Rogers, PS, EDICT Ms Gina Brooks, Tourism Planner Hon Haydn Hughes, Parliamentary Secretary Mr Patrick Hanley, Personal Assistant to the Hon CM/Finance Mr Perin Bradley, Compliance Manager Ms Marissa Harding-Hodge, TIO
- EX MIN 13/741EX MIN 13/732 EX MEM 13/334 APPLICATION FOR LEASE OF
CROWN LAND ABC SUPPLIES LIMITED AND THE RELOCATION OF
FOOTPATH BY MICUH PROPERTIES DESCRIBED AS
REGISTRATION SECTION NORTH CENTRAL, BLOCK 48813 B,
PARCEL 80, CONTAINING 0.25 ACRE AND PARCEL 89, CONTAINING
0.03 ACRES, RESPECTIVELY

Further to EX MIN 13/732 of 24th October 2013, Council agreed that:-

(a) ABC Supplies Limited should be granted a lease on the following terms and conditions:-

- (i) the description of the property being leased should be Lot 1 of Survey Plan Ref:- LS25-13 being 0.25 acre of property;
- (ii) the use of the premises should be to construct a parking lot only;
- (iii) the parking lot should be developed to the requirements and standards of MICUH;
- (iv) the term of the lease should be for 50 years commencing 1st November, 2013 with an option to renew (term to be agreed);
- (v) rent payable for the first five (5) years in the sum of US\$867.41
 (EC\$2,331.77) annually and thereafter the market rental value of the property or increase by five percent (5%) annually for the next five (5) years whichever is greater with rent review every five (5) years (upward only);
- (vi) stamp duty payable in the sum of EC\$4,704.35 calculated on an Open Market Value of US\$70,000.00/EC\$188,174.00;
 - a. to allow subdivision in Registration Section North Central, Block 48813B Parcels 80, 81 and 89 to facilitate the relocation of the footpath to the western end of Parcels 80 and 81 in accordance with Survey Plan Ref: LS25-13; and
 - b. the proprietors of Parcel 78 should release their registered interest in Parcel 89, being the right to use the 6ft Right of Way registered as an appurtenance to their property and as an incumbrance over Parcel 89.

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

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

EX MIN 13/742 EX MIN 13/734 EX MEM 13/336 ANGUILLA AS AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER – UNESCO

Mr Foster Rogers, PS, EDICT and Ms Gina Brooks, Tourism Planner, joined the Meeting.

Further to EX MIN 13/734 of 24th October 2013, Council noted the proposed membership of two new Committees that would be established in Anguilla: the Committee responsible for UNESCO matters, and the Memory of the World Committee. Both Committees would be voluntary, and the members unpaid.

Council was minded to accept the proposed membership pending:-

- a) Anguilla's approval as an associate member of UNESCO;
- b) further details on how these Committees would feed into UNESCO; and

c) a recommendation from the MoFEDICT concerning the term of office of the individuals serving on the Committees.

The voluntary members of the Committee responsible for UNESCO matters and the Memory of the World Committee respectively are:-

Committee responsible for UNESCO matters

Culture – Director or Designate – (Shellya Rogers)

Science – Science Curriculum Coordinator – (Winston Duncan Ph.D)

Media & Communications - (Keith "Stone" Greaves)

Director Library Services/Educator (Geography & Social Studies) – (Bernard Wattley)

Anguilla Archaeological and Historical Society (AAHS) - (Kenn Banks)

Tourism Working Group/ Chair – (Chris Richardson)

Ministry of Tourism PMU staff/PMU Manager - Coordinating Secretary

Memory of the World Committee

Historians - Don Mitchell QC, Colville Petty

Archivist - Kenn Banks

Anguilla National Trust Representative (ANT) - to be confirmed

Archivist – Jane Grell

Geneology Society - President or designate

Others to be co-opted as necessary

PMU Staff/ PMU Manager - Coordinating Secretary

Action: PS, EDICT; PS, FIN; PAS, FIN; CO-ORD, TSDP; TP

EX MIN 13/743 EX MIN 13/702 AWARD OF ANGUILLA ISLAND SCHOLARSHIP 2006

Further to a previous discussion in Council (EX MIN 13/702 of 10th October 2013), Ministers proposed that Ms Nakishma Rogers be funded from within the proposed training budget for 2014 to pursue Masters-level training in the legal field.

Council:-

- (i) approved training in 2014 for Ms Nakishma Rogers to pursue studies at the Masters level;
- (ii) agreed that Ms Nakishma Rogers, in collaboration with the Hon Minister of Education and the Hon Attorney General, should seek to identify a course of legal study relevant to the national needs of Anguilla. Consideration should be given to lower-cost options such as distancelearning; and
- (iii) agreed that the Training Policy Committee should review the previously agreed training priorities for 2014 and recommend which training area should now be surrendered to accommodate funding for a Masters degree for Nakishma Rogers.

The Hon Minister of Education asked that it be placed on the record that in his view Island Scholars should be treated differently from other scholarships. ExCo had a clear policy that Government would "continue to award scholarships for training up to the level of postgraduate degree, where the scholarship recipient requests such training and its relevance to Anguilla in both the short term and long term can be ascertained" (EX MIN 06/15). Ms Rogers had not yet had the benefit of Masters-level study, and had expressed a clear desire to study an area of law that would be of benefit to Anguilla. This was a question of fair treatment of one of Anguilla's brightest young people, and this decision rectified an injustice that had been done to her in the past.

The Hon Deputy Governor requested that it be placed on record that he expressed the view that this decision tended to lend credibility to the view expressed by persons that the scholarship process was corrupt and not fair and upright. HE The Governor agreed that this was likely to be the public perception; the effect of this decision would be that a priority skills gap identified by the Training Policy Committee would now not be filled.

Action: DG; PS, PA; PS, ELSYC; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; TRNG OFF; BD; ACC GEN

EX MIN 13/745 **RETAINER OF COUNSEL TO REPRESENT THE GOA BEFORE A** BOARD OF ASSESSMENT TO DETERMINE THE VALUE OF LAND COMPULSORILY ACQUIRED FROM THE LAKES FAMILY

Parliamentary Secretary, PA to the Hon CM/Finance and PS, EDICT remained for discussion.

Council noted the importance of ensuring that the external Counsel who would be representing the Government of Anguilla have sufficient time for thorough preparation in advance of the next court session. Council agreed that an update be given to Executive Council on Thursday 31 October on the next steps.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS; PS, EDICT

EX MIN 13/746 OVERSEAS TRAVEL

The Hon Chief Minister informed Council that he would be off island from the 29th October to the 3rd November 2013 to attend an OECS Meeting in St. Lucia.