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MINUTES OF THE 175TH MEETING OF THE TENTH ANGUILLA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER 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 Acting Deputy Governor, Mr Larry Franklin
- 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
- The Honourable Evan Gumbs, Minister of Infrastructure, Communications,
Utilities and Housing
- The Honourable Attorney General, Mr James Wood QC
- Mrs Sonia Brooks, Acting Clerk to Executive Council
- IN ATTENDANCE: Dr Bonnie Richardson-Lake, PS, HSD
Mr Ambrell Richardson, Director of Health Protection
Ms Kathleen Rogers, Principal Environmental Health officer
Ms Aurjul Wilson, PS, MHA/Lands
Mr Perin Bradley, Compliance Manager
- ABSENT: The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Stanley Reid

EX MIN 13/851 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 174th Meeting held on Friday 13th December 2013 and the Minutes of a Special Meeting held on Tuesday 17th December 2013.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 13/852

EX MIN 13/838 EX MIN 13/815 UPDATE ON PROGRESS WITH PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS

Dr Bonnie Richardson-Lake, PS, Health and Social Development, Mr Ambrell Richardson, Director of Health Protection and Ms Kathleen Rogers, Principal Environmental Health Officer joined the meeting.

Council:-

- (a) approved the Public Procurement (Transitional) Regulations, 2013;
- (b) agreed that the regulations be placed on the Agenda for the next sitting of the House of Assembly on Monday 30 December 2013;
- (c) agreed to inform the speaker about the urgency of placing this matter on the Agenda of the next sitting of the House of Assembly;
- (d) agreed to send a copy of the regulations to the Opposition;

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

Action: PS, HSD; SPEAKER HOA; CL, HOA; AG; PS, FIN; PAS, FIN

EX MIN 13/856

EX MIN 13/765 INF 13/01 PROCESS RE- ELECTION REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

Ms Aurjul Wilson PS, Home Affairs and Lands and Supervisor of Elections remained for discussion.

Ms Aurjul Wilson, Supervisor of Elections presented Council with a report on the Redrawing of Anguilla's Electoral Boundaries Project Plan.

Council:

- (i) approved the recommendations in the report
- (ii) agreed that Executive Council should be updated in February 2014

Action: SUP/ELECTIONS; DG

EX MIN 13/857

EX MEM 13/388 AGREEMENT TO ENTER AUTOMATIC EXCHANGE OF TAX INFORMATION WITH HMG

Mr Perin Bradley, Compliance Manager joined the meeting.

Council:

- (i) authorised the Chief Minister to sign the arrangement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Anguilla amending the 2009 arrangement for the exchange of information relating to taxes; and
- (ii) authorised the Chief Minister to sign the agreement between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of Anguilla to improve international tax compliance.

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

Action: PS, FIN; COM MAN

EX MIN 13/858

EX MEM 13/389 APPEAL AGAINST PLANNING PERMISSION – BENEDICT HODGE

Ms Aurjul Wilson PS, Home Affairs and Lands joined the meeting.

Council agreed that the planning appeal submitted by Mr. Benedict Hodge be refused. Mr. Hodge would however, be eligible to apply to the relevant authority for a spot in the Market Square, when it has been established.

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PPO; DLS

EX MIN 13/859

EX MEM 13/390 APPEAL AGAINST PLANNING PERMISSION – JASLYN LEWIS

Ms Aurjul Wilson PS, Home Affairs and Lands remained for discussion.

Council agreed that the Planning application for Jaslyn Lewis be exceptionally approved for a period until February 28th 2014, in the first instance subject to the establishment of the Market Square where she is expected to be allotted a space to relocate her food van business.

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PPO; DLS

EX MIN 13/860

EX MEM 13/391 APPEAL AGAINST PLANNING PERMISSION – RONNIE & JOYCELYNE MILLS

Ms Aurjul Wilson PS, Home Affairs and Lands remained for discussion.

Following a site visit by Ministers to the proposed development at Cauls Pond on Thursday 12th December 2013, Council agreed to allow the appeal against planning permission for Ronnie & Joycelyne Mills for a dwelling house at Cauls Pond, Block: 68914B Parcel 214.

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PPO; DLS

EX MIN 13/861

EX MEM 13/392 APPEAL AGAINST PLANNING PERMISSION – JOHNATHAN FLEMING

Ms Aurjul Wilson PS, Home Affairs and Lands remained for discussion.

Following a site visit by Ministers to the proposed development on Thursday 12 December 2013, Council agreed to allow the appeal against planning permission for Johnathan Fleming for two Apartment Units at East End, Block: 89416B Parcel 46.

H E the Governor noted that in reaching this decision, Council was rejecting advice from the Land Development Control Committee (LDCC) that the development contravened the Building Act and would adversely affect public safety. Rejecting the advice of the LDCC furthermore undermined the public’s respect in their role and might encourage others to knowingly break the law.

The Hon Minister of Home Affairs agreed to liaise with PS Home affairs to bring public awareness of the Act.

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PPO; DLS

EX MIN 13/862

EX MEM 13/393 APPEAL AGAINST PLANNING PERMISSION – WENDELL CONNOR

Ms Aurjul Wilson PS, Home Affairs and Lands remained for discussion.

Council agreed that the paper should be deferred.

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS

ORAL MENTION

EX MIN 13/863

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

Council agreed that a special meeting of Executive Council should be held on Friday 27th December at 10am.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS
