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MINUTES OF THE 177TH MEETING OF THE TENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 9TH JANUARY 2014

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 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

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: Dr Bonnie Richardson-Lake, PS, Health & Social Development

Ms Kathleen Rogers, Principal Environmental Health Officer

Mr Ambrell Richardson, Director of Health Protection

Mr Leslie Hodge, Director, Lands & Surveys Mr Karim Hodge, Director of Environment Hon Haydn Hughes, Parliamentary Secretary

Ms Marisa Harding-Hodge, Tourism Investment Officer

Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, Finance

Mr Perin Bradley, Compliance Manager

Mrs Mary-Clare Haskins-Banton, Crown Counsel

EX MIN 14/09 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Council agreed that the Minutes of the 176th Meeting held on Thursday 2nd January 2014 should be confirmed at the next regular meeting of Executive Council to be held on Thursday 16th January 2014.

EX MIN 14/10

UPDATE BY MS KATHLEEN ROGERS, PRINCIPAL ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER ON GARBAGE ISSUES AT CORITO LANDFILL SITE

Dr Bonnie Richardson-Lake, PS, HSD, Ms Kathleen Rogers, PEHO and Mr Ambrell Richardson, DIR, HP joined the Meeting.

Further to EX MIN 14/08 of 2nd January 2014, Council noted the explanation and update from the PEHO with regard to garbage issues at the Corito Landfill site. Council agreed that anyone who had complaints concerning flies at their property should contact the PEHO who would be happy to visit the property.

Action: PS, HSD; PS, PA; PAS, FIN; PS, FIN; PEHO

EX MIN 14/11 <u>UPDATE ON BEACH VENDING ISSUE AT SHOAL BAY</u>

Mr Karim Hodge, DoE and Mr Leslie Hodge, DLS joined the Meeting.

Council:-

- (i) supported in principle, the recommendations from the Committee;
- (ii) agreed that the Committee should consult with the relevant stakeholders on the recommendations with a view to implementing the new regime from early in February; and
- (iii) agreed that the matter be brought back to Executive Council for further consideration.

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

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; DIR, ENV; DLS

EX MIN 14/12 EX MEM 14/01 BEACH VENDING (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2014

DoE and DLS remained for discussion.

Council approved the Beach Vending (Amendment) Regulations, 2014 should remain as drafted. Council further agreed that the additional amendments to the Regulations should be reviewed after one (1) year, if deemed necessary.

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; DIR, ENV; DLS

EX MIN 14/14 GENERAL DISCUSSION ON FILLING OF POSTS AT HM PRISON

PS, HSD remained for discussion.

Council agreed that a Special Meeting of Executive Council should be held (within the next two-three weeks) for a general discussion on filling of posts at HM Prison. Council further agreed that Mr Conrad Gumbs, Superintendent of Prison, Reverend Lindsay Richardson, Prison Counsellor, and a representative from the Prison Staff should be invited to attend the Meeting.

Action: PS, HSD; SOP

EX MIN 14/16 EX MEM 14/03 EXTENDING THE SERVICES OF SYLVIA ERNIE AS SENIOR PLANNER

Council agreed that the services of Ms Sylvia Ernie as the Senior Planner at the Department of Physical Planning should be extended to 31st January 2014 pending the post being formally filled.

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

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

EX MIN 14/17

EX MEM 14/04 APPLICATION FOR ISSUE OF LICENCE UNDER THE ALIENS LAND HOLDING REGULATIONS ACT – TO ACQUIRE PROPERTY AS BENEFICIARY – ALIX DIANNE CRISPE (REGISTRATION SECTION NORTH CENTRAL; BLOCK 48613 B; PARCEL 201; CONTAINING 1.50 ACRES)

DLS remained for discussion.

Council agreed that the matter should be deferred for clarification of stamp duty fees.

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; DLS

EX MIN 14/18

EX MEM 14/05 TRANSFER OF EMBARKATION TAX COLLECTION STAFF FROM GOVERNMENT OF ANGUILLA (INLAND REVENUE DEPT) TO ANGUILLA AIR AND SEA PORTS AUTHORITY

PS, FIN remained for discussion.

Council approved the Regulations for gazetting to give effect to the transfer of staff from the Inland Revenue Department to the Anguilla Air and Seaports Authority with effect from 9th January 2014.

The officers to be transferred are:-

1) Miss Lisa Richardson;

- 2) Miss Gillian Patricia Rogers;
- 3) Miss Sheri Connor;
- 4) Miss Esmee Bryan; and
- 5) Mr Charles Harrigan

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

Action: PS, MICUH; PS, FIN; CIR; PS, PA; PS, EDICT; BD; ACC GEN; AG

EX MIN 14/19 EX MEM 14/06 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION FOR ISLAND HARBOUR COMMUNITY CARE CENTRE

Council agreed that duty exemption should be granted to the Island Harbour Community Care Centre (c/o Mr Bren Romney, Director, Department of Youth & Culture) on drums and drum supplies.

The estimated duty loss to the GoA is EC\$1,014.76.

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

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

EX MIN 14/20 <u>EX MIN 13/862 EX MEM 13/393 APPEAL AGAINST PLANNING PERMISSION - WENDELL CONNOR</u>

Following a site visit by members of Executive Council and planning personnel, Council agreed that the appeal against planning permission for Mr Wendell Connor to operate a garage/shed at Corito Anguilla (Block 38812B Parcel 88 – lot 1) should be allowed.

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

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PPO; DLS

EX MIN 14/21 EX MIN 13/757 EX MEM 13/343 ESTABLISHING THE VALLEY FOOD COURT

Council:-

- 1) noted that a successful public consultation had taken place, with a large number of individuals contributing their views;
- 2) confirmed the decision (EX MIN 13/757 of 31 October 2013) to support in principle the establishment of the Valley Food Court subject to the decision from the Land Development Control Committee on the proposed land use, and necessary approvals being secured; and

3) agreed, once the Land Use Policy had been addressed, that the Ministry of Lands/Physical Planning would both fund and spearhead the development of the Food Court area under the supervision of the MICUH.

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PS, MICUH; PPO; DLS; COP
