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MINUTES OF THE 204TH MEETING OF THE TENTH ANGUILLA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 6TH AUGUST 2014

- PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms Christina Scott
- The Honourable Evan Gumbs, Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities and Housing and Acting Chief Minister
- 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 Attorney General, Mr James Wood QC
- Mrs Sonia Brooks, Acting Clerk to Executive Council
- IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Rupert Jones, Attorney General (Designate)
Mr Foster Rogers, PS, EDICT
- ABSENT: 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

EX MIN 14/482

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 203rd Meeting held on Wednesday 23rd July 2014 and the Minutes of a Special Meeting held on Thursday 24th July 2014.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 14/483

EX MIN 14/464 EX MIN 14/460 LEGISLATION

Election Amendment Bill

The Deputy Governor informed Council that public consultation was held. There were no objections to the ink being used. Any suggestions were in the line of strengthening. There were two queries that were further considered.

Money Services Bill

Council noted that this matter was not dealt with as yet. The Chief Minister would meet the Opposition to discuss the matter further, with support from the AG's Chambers.

Action: HON CHIEF MINISTER, AG

EX MIN 14/484

EX MIN 14/472 EX MEM 14/260 WATER CORPORATION OF ANGUILLA (WCA) – 2014 BUSINESS PLAN (UPDATE) AND COMMERCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Hon Minister of Infrastructure informed Council that he had met with the Permanent Secretary Finance.

Action: PS, MICUH; PS, FIN; CEO, WCA

EX MIN 14/485

EX MEM 14/259 AMENDMENT TO THE BEACH CONTROL ACT

Mr Foster Rogers, PS, Economic Development joined the meeting.

Council agreed that the Hon Minister of Lands should have further discussion with the Chief Parliamentary Counsel on the matter.

Action: HON MIN, LANDS; CPC

EX MIN 14/486

EX MEM 14/264 PAYMENT OF DEFERRED SALARY – MRS B
[note: name redacted on publication to protect personal health information]

Council agreed that Mrs B, who works at the Immigration Department, should be paid her deferred salary totalling EC\$14,490.93 to assist her to meet some of the costs associated with her husband's medical condition.

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

Action: PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; ACC GEN; CIO

EX MIN 14/487

EX MEM 14/265 PAYMENT OF DEFERRED SALARY- MR R*[note: name redacted on publication to protect personal health information]*

Council agreed that Mr R, at DITES, should be paid his deferred salary totalling EC\$50,800.33 to enable him to meet some of the increasing costs associated with his father's medical condition.

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

Action: PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; ACC GEN; DIR DITES

EX MIN 14/488

EX MEM 14/266 FILLING OF POSTS – ICT COORDINATOR FOR SCHOOLS AND TEACHING ASSISTANT AT DOVE CENTRE

Council agreed that the following vacancies at the Education Department should be filled with effect from 1st September 2014:-

- (i) ICT Coordinator
- (ii) Teaching Assistant at Dove Centre

Council noted that provision has been made in the 2014 Budget for the positions.

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

Action: PS, ELSYC; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT, BD

EX MIN 14/489

EX MEM 14/267 REQUEST FOR DIRECTIONS – BLOWING POINT BASKETBALL FACILITY

The Hon Minister of Education deferred the paper for further discussion.

Action: HON MIN OF ED; PS, ELSYC

EX MIN 14/490

EX MEM 14/268 DRAFT PERSONAL WATERCRAFT (JET SKI) POLICY FOR ANGUILLA

Mr Foster Rogers, PS, Economic Development remained for discussion.

Council noted the draft policy paper. Council further agreed that given the likely public interest in this policy, that the policy document should be turned into a consultation document, which asked specific questions about the different aspects of the policy, and that this should be returned to Council before the launch of a public consultation.

Council agreed that the matter should be brought back on 28 August 2014.

Action: PS, EDICT

EX MIN 14/491

EX MEM 14/269 STATUS REPORT ON PROCUREMENT OF EQUIPMENT FOR IMMIGRATION AT PORTS OF ENTRY

Mr Foster Rogers, PS, Economic Development remained for discussion.

Council agreed that £22,000.00 be reallocated from the capital budget from the UK grant, to install the software onto the scanners that had already been purchased for use at the Ports of Entry for the Immigration Department. This would enable the electronic reading of passports and the scanning-in of the new combined customs and immigration forms, which would shortly be introduced.

Action: PS, IMM; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; CPO; BD

ORAL MENTION

EX MIN 14/492

BUDGET DELIVERY COMMITTEE MINUTES

The Hon Deputy Governor presented Council with the Minutes of the first meeting of the Budget Delivery Committee held on 15 July 2014. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 21 October 2014.

The DG informed Council that the Fiscal Group Meeting will also be held.

Council noted the areas of concerns and the recommendations/proposals in the Minutes attached.

Action: MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 14/493

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MR KUMAKIE PARRIS

The Hon Minister of Education raised the matter on assistance for Kumakie Parris and clarification was sought as to the position. The Hon Deputy Governor indicated that the PS Public Administration is aware. The matter should be brought back to Council next week.

Action: HON DG

EX MIN 14/494

VACATION LEAVE

The Hon Deputy Governor informed Council that he would be on vacation leave from the 11 - 29 August 2014 and that during his absence Dr Bonnie Richardson-Lake, PS Health and Social Development would act as Deputy Governor.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS

EX MIN 14/495

FAREWELL TO THE HON ATTORNEY GENERAL

The Hon Minister of Home Affairs thanked the Hon Attorney General for his service and cordial working relationship and wished him well. He welcomed the incoming Attorney General to the island and also wished him and his family well.

EX MIN 14/496

GLASGOW GAMES

The Hon Minister of Sports gave a brief update to Council on the Commonwealth Games which he attended.
