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# MINUTES OF THE 22<sup>ND</sup> MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2015

PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms Christina Scott

The Honourable Victor Banks, Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Economic Development, Commerce, Tourism, Lands & Physical Planning

The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Stanley Reid

The Honourable Evans Rogers, Minister of Health and Social Development

The Honourable Cora Richardson-Hodge, Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration, Labour, Environment, Human Rights, Gender Affairs, Constitutional Affairs and Information and Broadcasting

The Honourable Curtis Richardson, Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, Agriculture and Fisheries and Information Technology

The Honourable Attorney General, Mr Rupert Jones

Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council

IN ATTENDANCE: Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary

Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN Mr Foster Rogers, PS, EDICTLP Mrs Shona Proctor, Budget Director Ms Brenda Hughes, Debt Manager

Mrs Shantelle Richardson, Director of Economic Planning

Mrs Anthea Ipinson-Connor, Chief Project Officer

Ms Jamila Gumbs, Budget Officer

Mr Perin Bradley, Comptroller, Inland Revenue

Mr Kiel Connor, Collections & Compliance Manager, IR

Mr Larry Franklin, PS, MICUH Ms Aurjul Wilson, PS, MHA

Dr Bonnie Richardson-Lake, PS, HSD

Mrs Kathleen Rogers, PS, PA

Mrs Sandra York-Gumbs, Financial/Administrative Services Manager, DICUH

Mrs Chanelle Petty-Barrett, PS, ELSYC

# EX MIN 15/577 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary joined the Meeting.

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting held on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2015 and the Minutes of a Special Meeting held on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2015.

## **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

#### EX MIN 15/579 EX MEM 15/331 ESTATE OF CALVIN FLEMING, DECEASED

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that the paper should be deferred for clarification concerning family entitlements.

Action: HON AG

### EX MIN 15/581 EX MEM 15/333 PAYMENT OF GRATUITY TO MR X

[note on publication: name redacted to protect personal financial info]

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that the paper should be deferred to enable the Hon Deputy Governor in collaboration with Permanent Secretaries to offer advice on the matter and to look at any other related cases of persons who do not meet the pension criteria.

Action: HON DG; PERM SECS

# EX MIN 15/582 EX MEM 15/334 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION FOR RESULTS DRIVEN FITNESS CENTRE

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that duty exemption should be granted to Results Driven Fitness Centre (c/o Mr Duquaine Brooks) on the attached list of items, to equip a Health and Fitness Centre.

The estimated duty loss to the GoA is EC\$27,093.46.

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

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

# EX MIN 15/584 **EX MEM 15/336 STAFFING FOR THE PLACE OF SAFETY**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Further to EX MIN 15/450 of 30 July 2015, Council approved the institution of interim contracts for the persons currently working at the Place of Safety to include the following terms and conditions of service:-

- (i) appointment will be on a temporary basis for a five-month period;
- (ii) appointee will fit into a shift working system;
- (iii) salary at a monthly rate;
- (iv) coverage under the Government of Anguilla's medical insurance policy; and
- (v) appointment be subject to applicable policy and established procedures including provisions that mirror the relevant provisions of General Orders.

Council noted that the views of the Permanent Secretaries had been sought in relation to the proposed contractual arrangements and a favourable response had been given.

Council further approved the sum of EC\$25,840.00 required to fulfil the contracts for the remainder of the year i.e. October – December 2015.

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

Action: PS, HSD; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; BD; ACC GEN

#### EX MIN 15/585

# EX MEM 15/337 FILLING OF A JUVENILE CARE WORKER POST DUE TO TRANSFER

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

#### Council:-

- (i) noted that a Juvenile Care Worker at Zenaida Haven, the Juvenile Rehabilitation Centre had been transferred to another Department;
- (ii) noted that the views of all the Permanent Secretaries had been sought in relation to the filling of the post of Juvenile Care Worker and a favourable response had been given;
- (iii) additionally noted that budgetary provisions had already been made for the position; and
- (iv) agreed that the post of Juvenile Care Worker at Zenaida Haven should be filled.

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

Action: PS, HSD; PS, PA, PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; BD; ACC GEN

# EX MIN 15/586 EX MEM 15/338 FILLING OF HM PRISON TUTOR DUE TO EXPIRATION OF CONTRACT

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

#### Council:-

- (i) noted that the contract of HM Prison Tutor would expire on 4 November 2015:
- (ii) noted that the views of all the Permanent Secretaries had been sought in relation to the filling of the post and the majority supported the decision for the filling of the post;
- (iii) additionally noted that budgetary provisions had already been made for the position; and
- (iv) agreed that the post of HM Prison Tutor should be filled when the post becomes vacant in November 2015.

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

Action: PS, HSD; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; BD; ACC GEN

# EX MIN 15/587

# EX MEM 15/339 ADDITIONAL NURSING STAFF AT THE HEALTH AUTHORITY OF ANGUILLA (HAA)

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

#### Council:-

- (i) noted the proposal for the filling of three (3) additional nurses at the Health Authority of Anguilla (HAA) for the period November December 2015;
- (ii) noted that the views of the Permanent Secretaries had been sought, and while the PSs had no objection to the filling of the posts, they felt that the HAA should fund the posts from the subvention rather than requesting additional monies from the GoA;
- (iii) agreed with the filling of three (3) additional nurses posts at the HAA for the period November December 2015; and
- (iv) additionally agreed that the sum of EC\$35,118.00 required for the funding of the posts should be taken from the subvention to the HAA.

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

Action: PS, HSD

#### EX MIN 15/588

# EX MEM 15/340 DRAFT 2016 BUDGET AND FORWARD ESTIMATES (2017 – 2018) FOR NEW SPENDING AND SAVINGS OPTIONS FOR RECURRENT EXPENDITURE AND RECURRENT REVENUE

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance. The following persons joined the Meeting:-

Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN

Mr Foster Rogers, PS, EDICTLP

Mrs Shona Proctor, Budget Director

Ms Brenda Hughes, Debt Manager

Mrs Shantelle Richardson, Director of Economic Planning

Mrs Anthea Ipinson-Connor, Chief Project Officer

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Dr Bonnie Richardson-Lake, PS, HSD

Mrs Kathleen Rogers, PS, PA

Mrs Sandra York-Gumbs, Financial/Administrative Services Manager, DICUH

Mrs Chanelle Petty-Barrett, PS, ELSYC joined later.

Following preliminary discussion on the draft 2016 Budget and new spending and savings options, Council agreed that there should be a Special Meeting of Executive Council on Tuesday 20 October 2015 at 9:00 am to continue discussions on the draft 2016 Budget.

The Hon Chief Minister/Finance commended the Finance Officials for their hard work and commitment towards the Budget exercise. PS, FIN thanked his team mates for their tireless hours and efforts during the preparation of the document.

Action: PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; OTHER PERM SECS; BD; CPO; DM

#### EX MIN 15/589

### EX MEM 15/341 PAYMENT OF DEFERRED SALARY – MRS Y

[note on publication: name redacted to protect personal health information]

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that Mrs Y, who is employed in the Anguilla Public Service should be paid her deferred salary of EC\$42,694.55 to assist with costs associated with her medical condition.

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

Action: PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; BD; ACC GEN; CEO

# **ORAL MENTION**

# EX MIN 15/590 **POLICE PENSION FUND**

Council agreed that there should be a presentation to Executive Council by the relevant persons on the Police Pension Fund.

Action: PS, PA; ADMINISTRATOR PSPF; ACC, PSPF

# EX MIN 15/591 **OVERSEAS TRAVEL**

The Hon Minister of Social Development informed Council that he would be off island from 15 – 17 October 2015 to attend a Meeting on Higher Education (British Overseas Territories Ministers of Education) to be held in St. Lucia.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS

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