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MINUTES OF THE 47TH MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 21ST APRIL 2016

- 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 Acting Deputy Governor, Mr Perin Bradley
- 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: Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN
Mr Kennedy Byron, Director, Bank Supervision Department
Ms Allison Crossman, Deputy Director, Bank Supervision Department
Ms Gillian Skerritt, Deputy Director, Legal Affairs Department
Mr Steve McCready, Chief of Staff, Governor's Office
Mr Larry Franklin, PS, MICUHAFIT
Mr Nigel Connor, Deputy Chief Engineer, DICUH
Mr Fabian Marcel Fahie, Chairman, AASPA
Mr Kenneth Hodge, PAS, MHA
Mr Foster Rogers, PS, EDICTLP
Mr Leslie Hodge, DLS
Mr Vincent Proctor, PPO
Ms Marisa Harding-Hodge, TIO
- ABSENT: The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Stanley Reid

EX MIN 16/240 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 46th Meeting held on Thursday 14th April 2016.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 16/241 **EX MIN 16/227 EX MEM 16/130 WITNESS PROTECTION FUNDING UPDATE AND REQUEST**

Further to EX MIN 16/227 of 14th April 2016, Council agreed that:-

- (i) the Witness Protection Bill should be given its first reading in the House of Assembly on Tuesday 26th April 2016; and
- (ii) any further amendments will be made thereafter.

Action: HON AG; CL, HOA; COP

EX MIN 16/242 **EX MIN 16/228 EX MEM 16/131 PERMIT OF PERMANENT RESIDENCE (PPR)**

Council agreed that EX MIN 16/228 of 14th April 2016 should be amended as follows:-

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance. Ms Aurjul Wilson, PS, MHA joined the Meeting.

Council:-

- (i) supported the recommendation from the Ministry/Department of Immigration to resume (after a period of time in order to clear up the backlog) accepting the permit of permanent residence (PPR) applications commencing 3rd May 2016;
- (ii) supported the establishment of a policy for permits of permanent residence requiring a ten (10) year residency;
- (iii) agreed that going forward, PPR applications should be accepted only from persons who have been resident in Anguilla for ten (10) years or longer, unless Executive Council agrees otherwise; and
- (iv) agreed that a separate paper setting out the development of an economic residency programme should be submitted to Executive Council for consideration in due course.

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

Action: PS, IMM; LAB COM; CIO; PS EDICTLP; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 16/244 **EX MIN 16/237 EX MEM 16/78 IMMIGRATION FEE WAIVER POLICY FOR NON-BELONGERS BORN IN ANGUILLA AND NON-BELONGER GRANDCHILDREN OF BELONGERS BORN IN ANGUILLA**

Council agreed that EX MIN 16/237 of 14th April 2016 should not be issued to enable investigation and clarification of a prior Executive Council decision pertaining to exemption of specific immigration fees.

Action: PS, IMM; HON AG; LAB COM; CIO

EX MIN 16/245 **EX MIN 16/239 OVERSEAS TRAVEL**

Further to EX MIN 16/239 of 14th April 2016, HE The Governor informed Council that she had cancelled her travel plans.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS

EX MIN 16/247 **EX MEM 16/138 PUBLIC PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2016**

PS, FIN remained for discussion.

Council agreed that the Attorney General's Chambers should circulate the Public Procurement and Contract Administration (Amendment) Act, 2016 on Thursday 21st April 2016 for Council's approval prior to its publication in the Official Gazette and first reading in the House of Assembly.

Action: HON AG; CL, HOA; CHIEF PROC OFF

EX MIN 16/248 **EX MEM 16/139 PROGRAMME OF ACTIVITIES AND BUDGET FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE ANGUILLA REVOLUTION AND ANGUILLA DAY 2016, (50TH ANNIVERSARY ACTIVITIES – DECEMBER 2016 ALSO INCLUDED)**

Mr Kenneth Hodge, PAS, MHA joined the Meeting.

Council:-

- (i) noted the theme for 2016: **‘Cherishing Past Contributions, Fostering New Commitments, Charting Anguilla’s Course at 49’**;
- (ii) noted the theme for 2017: **‘Celebrating Fifty Years Since The Revolution; Transforming, Empowering And Building Our Nation!’**; and
- (iii) approved the Programme of Activities and Budget for the celebration of the 49th Anniversary of the Anguilla Revolution and Anguilla Day, inclusive of the 50th Anniversary activities July – December 2016 as attached.

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

Action: PS, MHA; PAS, MHA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; BD; ACC GEN

EX MIN 16/249

EX MEM 16/140 ENDORSEMENT OF UNDP GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITY (GEF)

Council:-

- (i) endorsed the UNDP Global Environment Facility project titled “The Ten Island Challenge: De-risking the Transition of the Caribbean from Fossil Fuels to Renewables”; and
- (ii) authorised the Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, Agriculture, Fisheries and Information Technology to indicate the Government of Anguilla’s endorsement by signing the appropriate document/page of the project document.

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

Action: PS, MICUHAFIT; HON MIN, MICUHAFIT

EX MIN 16/250

EX MEM 16/141 PAYMENT OF DEFERRED SALARY – MR X

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

Council agreed that Mr X, who is employed in the Anguilla Public Service should be paid his deferred salary of EC\$10,428.43 to assist him with costs associated with his eye surgery.

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

Action: CFO; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; ACC GEN

EX MIN 16/251

EX MEM 16/142 PAYMENT OF DEFERRED SALARY – MR Y

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

Council agreed that Mr Y, who is employed by the Anguilla Public Service should be paid his deferred salary of EC\$11,644.22 to assist him with costs associated with his medical condition.

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

Action: CIR; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; ACC GEN

EX MIN 16/252

EX MEM 16/143 FILLING THE SENIOR JUVENILE CARE WORKER POST – FEBRUARY 2016

Council:-

- (i) noted that a Senior Juvenile Care Worker at Zenaida Haven, the Juvenile Rehabilitation Centre was promoted to Supervisor of the Centre;

- (ii) noted that as a result of this promotion only three (3) Senior Care Workers would remain;
- (iii) noted that the views of the Permanent Secretaries had been sought and a favourable response given;
- (iv) additionally noted that budgetary provisions had already been made for the position; and
- (v) agreed that the vacant post of Senior 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 16/253

EX MEM 16/144 PUBLIC HOLIDAYS FOR 2017

Council approved the list of Public Holidays for 2017 as follows:-

New Year's Day	Monday, 2 January
James Ronald Webster Day	Thursday, 2 March
Good Friday	Friday, 14 April
Easter Monday	Monday, 17 April
Labour Day	Monday, 1 May
Anguilla Day	Tuesday, 30 May
Around the Island Boat Race	Wednesday, 31 May
Whit Monday	Monday, 5 June
Celebration of the Birthday of Her Majesty The Queen	June – tba
August Monday	Monday, 7 August
August Thursday	Thursday, 10 August
Constitution Day	Friday, 11 August
National Heroes and Heroines Day	Tuesday, 19 December
Christmas Day	Monday, 25 December

Boxing Day

Tuesday, 26 December

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

Action: PS, MHA; PAS, MHA

EX MIN 16/254

EX MEM 16/145 APPLICATIONS FOR THE PERMIT OF PERMANENT RESIDENCE

Council agreed that the following persons should be granted the Permit of Permanent Residence in accordance with Section 24 of the Immigration and Passport Act as per attached list.

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

Action: PS, IMM; LAB COM; CIO

EX MIN 16/255

EX MEM 16/146 APPLICATIONS FOR THE PERMIT OF PERMANENT RESIDENCE

Council agreed that the following persons should be granted the Permit of Permanent Residence in accordance with Section 24 of the Immigration and Passport Act as per attached list.

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

Action: PS, IMM; LAB COM; CIO

EX MIN 16/256

EX MEM 16/147 PAYMENT OF DEFERRED SALARY – MS A

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

Council agreed that Mrs A, who is employed in the Anguilla Public Service should be paid her deferred salary of EC\$12,431.50 to assist her with costs associated with her children's medical expenses.

Council further agreed that an amount of EC\$2,026.90 should be paid directly to the Department of Social Development from the net amount due to Mrs A.

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

Action: LAB COM; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; ACC GEN

EX MIN 16/257

EX MEM 16/148 CONTRACTOR FINANCING OF ROAD BAY JETTY REPAIRS AND GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE OF 80%

PS, FIN remained for discussion. Messrs Larry Franklin, PS, MICUHAFIT, Nigel Connor, Deputy Chief Engineer, DICUH and Fabian Marcel Fahie, Chairman, AASPA joined the Meeting.

Council:-

- (i) noted and endorsed the work of the AASPA, especially the work of the Road Bay Jetty Committee and the Appraisal Committee;
- (ii) noted the involvement of the Procurement Board and MFEDICTLP and MICUHAFIT technical officers in support of the work of the AASPA in the bidding and appraisal process for the selection of the preferred contractor;
- (iii) agreed that the draft Agreement and the records of the appraisal process should be sent to the Attorney General's Chambers for review; and
- (iv) requested the Hon Chief Minister and Minister of Finance to seek the necessary Agreement from the Secretary of State for an exceptional case to permit the AASPA to obtain loan financing with a limit of EC\$4,000,000 through a design, build and finance method for the immediate and accelerated implementation of the project.

Council further noted that the Ministers of Government declared that they had no personal or close family beneficial interests in the preferred contractor who had been successful in winning the tender for this project.

Action: PS, MICUHAFIT; HON AG; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; CHAIR, AASPA;
DCE; MINS OF GOV'T
