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MINUTES OF THE 78^{TH} MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 8^{TH} DECEMBER 2016

PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms Christina Scott

The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Perin Bradley

The Honourable Evans Rogers, Minister of Health and Social Development/Acting Chief Minister and Minister of Finance

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 John McKendrick QC

Mrs Nicola Webster, Acting Clerk to Executive Council

IN ATTENDANCE: Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary

Mrs Evalie Bradley, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA

Mr Foster Rogers, PS, EDICTLP

Mr Leslie Hodge, DLS

ABSENT: The Honourable Victor Banks, Chief Minister and Minister of Finance,

Economic Development, Commerce, Tourism, Lands & Physical Planning

EX MIN 16/742 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary and Mrs Evalie Bradley, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA joined the Meeting.

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 77th Meeting held on Thursday 1st December 2016.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 16/743 None

EX MIN 16/744

EX MEM 16/478 APPLICATION FOR ISSUE OF LICENCE UNDER THE ALIENS LAND HOLDING REGULATIONS ACT — JAY CHARLES BALKAN – REGISTRATION SECTION: WEST END; BLOCK: 17810 B; PARCEL 201 SL K102

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance. Messrs Foster Rogers, PS, EDICTLP and Leslie Hodge, DLS joined the Meeting.

Council agreed that an Aliens Land Holding Licence should be issued to Jay Charles Balkan to hold on a freehold basis a luxury condominium unit of approximately 662 sq. ft. forming part of Resorts & Residences of Anguilla Home Owners Association Ltd. a Condominium development at Viceroy, Anguilla described as Registration Section West End, Block 17810 B, Parcel 201 SL K102, subject to the following:

- (a) Payment of the following fees:
 - (i) under the Stamp Act 5% EC\$1,613,726.46

EC\$80,686.32

(ii) under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 12.5% EC\$1,613,726.46

Exempted

TOTAL

EC\$80,686.32

EC\$60,060.32

(b) Regulations to be issued for Exemption.

Action: PS, EDICTLP; DLS; PS, FIN

EX MIN 16/745

EX MEM 16/479 APPLICATION FOR ISSUE OF LICENCE UNDER THE ALIENS LAND HOLDING REGULATION ACT – ELLESMERA INCORPORATED - REGISTRATION SECTION EAST END, BLOCK 99315 B, PARCELS 178 AND 183, CONTAINING 0.28 AND 0.24 ACRE RESPECTIVELY (A TOTAL OF 0.52 OF AN ACRE)

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance. Messrs Foster Rogers, PS, EDICTLP and Leslie Hodge, DLS joined the Meeting.

Council agreed that an Aliens Land Holding Licence should be issued to Ellesmera Incorporated, to hold, on a freehold basis, 0.28 and 0.24 acre respectively, being a total of 0.52 of an acre of land, located in Sea Feathers, with an existing dwelling house thereon situate at Registration Section East End, Block 99315 B, Parcels 178 and 183 subject to the following:

(a) payment of the following fees:

(i) under the Stamp Act – 5% of EC\$806.460.00

EC\$40,323.00

(ii) under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act –5% of EC\$806,460.00

EC\$40,323.00

TOTAL

EC\$80,646.00

(b) Parcels 178 and 183 being amalgamated; and

(c) Regulations to be issued for reduction of Aliens Land Holding Licence rate.

Action: PS, EDICTLP; DLS; PS FIN

EX MIN 16/747

EX MEM 16/481 ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS REGISTRATION SECTION SOUTH CENTRAL, BLOCK 38713 B, PARCEL 63, CONTAINING 1 ACRE

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Council:-

- (i) noted that Mr. Keithley Lake as Lawful Attorney for the Personal Representative of the Estate would like to conclude the administration of the estate and that Mr. Lake would like to renew his invitation (i.e. 2006 correspondence) to the Government of Anguilla (GOA) to purchase said property. It was pointed out in said email that an appraisal was conducted in October of 2000 in which the Market Value was assessed as between US\$30,000.00 to US\$35,000.00.
- (ii) agreed that the Ministry of Lands should write to Mr. Keithley F. T. Lake, Lawful Attorney for Ruth Richardson, Personal Representative of the Estate of Lucien Rey confirming Executive Council's decision to purchase property described in Registration Section South Central, Block 38713 B, Parcel 63 in the sum of US\$32,000.00.
- (iii) agreed that the Payment Terms to be in ten (10) equal instalments of US\$3,200.00, with the first payment commencing June 2017; and
- (iv) further agreed that the Department of Lands and Surveys should issue the relevant Transfer Forms for execution to Keithley Lake as Lawful Attorney

for Ruth Richardson of South Hill, Anguilla as Personal Representative of the Estate of Lucien Rey.

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

Action: PS, EDICTLP; DLS; PS, FIN

EX MIN 16/748 EX MEM 16/482 APPLICATION FOR THE PERMIT OF PERMANENT RESIDENCE

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Council:-

- (i) agreed that Janette Cleopatra Jones of Guyana, Cyril Richard James Fritzsimons of Ireland, Lilla Alvira Gutzmore, of Jamaica, Nigel James Avery Kendall of Guyana, Atisha Nataya Kendall of Guyana, Anthony Roy Sterling of Jamaica and Elias Narciso of Dominican Republic should be granted the Permit of Permanent Residence in accordance with Section 24 of the Immigration and Passport Act 2000.
- (ii) agreed that Mrs Yvonne Susanne Martin of Texas, USA and Mr Robert Scott Martin of Indiana, USA did not qualify for the Permit of Permanent Residence under the existing programme. Council however agreed that the Ministry of Home Affairs should communicate with the Attorney General's Chambers as to whether they would qualify for the economic residency programme and if so, that they be informed accordingly.
- (iii) Further agreed that Ms Altagracia Caba Arias of the Dominican Republic should be deferred pending further clarification on the status of her stay.

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

Action: PS, IMM; LAB COM; CIO

EX MIN 16/749 EX MEM 16/483 PAYMENT OF DEFERRED SALARY – MS A

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

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Council agreed that Ms. A who is employed in the General Post Office should be paid her deferred salary in the sum of EC\$13,603.81 to assist her with costs associated with her medical condition.

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

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

EX MIN 16/750 EX MEM 16/484 PAYMENT OF DEFERRED SALARY – MRS B

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

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Council agreed that Mrs. B who is employed by the Anguilla Public Service should be paid her deferred salary in the sum of EC\$11,995.88 to assist her with costs associated with her medical condition.

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

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

EX MIN 16/751 EX MEM 16/485 EXTENSION OF EMPLOYMENT OF MR JULIUS CARTY - CUSTOMS GUARD

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Council:-

- (i) noted the requested from the Comptroller of Customs seeking permission for Mr Julius Carty who is employed as a Customs Guard at the Port of Road Bay and who was due to go on pre-retirement leave to be able to continue working to December 31, 2016 and thus be compensated for the vacation leave he would forego. Mr Carty is due to retire on January 14, 2017
- (ii) noted that the Customs Department is short-staffed and is need of an experienced hand to provide adequate cover during this busy period to the end of year to facilitate trade and thus optimise revenue collections for the GoA.
- (iii) further noted that the Customs Department has sufficient saving within its Budget to cover the expenditure; and
- (iv) approved the extension of employment to Mr Julius Carty to
 - a. December 31, 2016.

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

Action: COMP, CUS; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; PAS, FIN; BD; ACC GEN

EX MIN 16/752 INF 16/12 INFORMATION NOTE:- NATIONAL FUNERAL FOR THE LATE MS. THEODORA BRYAN IN RECOGNITION OF HER INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO ANGUILLA DURING THE REVOLUTION

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Council noted the passing of Ms. Theodora Bryan formerly of West End Anguilla but who was resident in the USA. Ms Bryan, like many of the Anguillian women of that time, was very active and vocal in the many protests that followed the British invasion of the island on 19th March 1969. She was known as a revolutionary and participated in the various demonstrations in support of Anguillian's quest for freedom from St. Kitts. She kept watch by the beaches and also entertained the peace-keeping forces. It was women like her who contributed to the success of the revolution. Ms Bryan is among some 27 Anguillian women featured in Colville Petty's publication 'Anguilla's Battle for Freedom 1967 – 1969' under the caption Women in the Revolution. She is also the author of Anguilla's Revolutionary Song, 1967 "We're out to build a New Anguilla" an adaptation of "We Are Out To Build A New West Indies". The original words of this Revolutionary Song, penned in script, can also be found in Petty's publication.

The late Ms Theodora Bryan was awarded with the Anguilla Badge of Honour and Queen's Certificate prior to 1995 for her outstanding contribution to the Anguilla Revolution.

In keeping with EX MIN 14/612 (vii) and EX MIN 15/535, the Ministry of Home Affairs has therefore begun the process of making arrangements which will include:

- i.The holding of a National Funeral for the late Ms Theodora Bryan in collaboration with the family on Sunday December 18th, 2016 at the Mount Fortune Seventh Day Adventist Church;
- ii. The publication of an official Statement of Condolence from the Government and people of Anguilla on the passing of this outstanding revolutionary;
- iii.Flags to be flown at Half Mast on Thursday December 15th and Friday December 16th, 2016 as a mark of respect.
- iv.A Police Guard of Honour to be drawn up at the Church and a contingent of uniformed officers to bear the body in and out of the church and at the graveside.
- v.Casket to be covered with the national flag;
- vi.A contribution of EC\$5,000 towards the cost of the funeral expenses and EC\$3,000 towards the other expenses.

Action: PS, MHA; PAS, MHA

ORAL MENTION

EX MIN 16/754 **PREFETE TO VISIT ANGUILLA**

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

H E The Governor briefed Council on the planned schedule for the Prefete of Saint Martin's visit on Monday 12th December, 2016. A total of Six (6) delegates

would arrive at around 9:45am and met by Protocol, Deputy Chief of Police and Chief of Staff to be escorted to the EXCO Chambers. Ministers would be welcome to join the discussion before the House of Assembly meeting gets underway

Action: EXCO MEMBERS

EX MIN 16/755 **OVERSEAS TRAVEL**

Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

The Hon Minister of Health and Social Development informed Council that he would be on leave from the 16th December, 2016 to 4th January, 2017.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS
