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MINUTES OF THE 91ST MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 23RD MARCH 2017

PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms Christina Scott

The Honourable Victor Banks, Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Economic Development, Commerce, Tourism and Information Technology

The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Perin Bradley

The Honourable Evans Rogers, Minister of Health and Social Development, Lands and Physical Planning

The Honourable Cora Richardson-Hodge, Minister of Home Affairs and Education

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

The Honourable Attorney General, Mr John McKendrick QC

Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council

IN ATTENDANCE: Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary

Mrs Kathleen Rogers, Principal Environmental Health Officer

Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN Mr Larry Franklin, PS, EDICTLP

Mrs Shantelle Richardson, Director of Economic Planning

Mrs Nashara Webster-Wilkes, Economist

Mr Brian Deadman, Financial Adviser to the GoA Mr Claudel Romney, Managing Partner, BDO

Mr Jerrick Evangelista, Manager, Audit and Advisory Services, BDO

Dr Bonnie Richardson-Lake, PS, ELSYC

Mrs Hyacinth Bradley, Community Services Planner

Mr Karim Hodge, PS, MICUHAFIT Mr Bancroft Battick, Chief Engineer

Mrs Anthea Ipinson-Connor, Chief Project Officer

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

EX MIN 17/113 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary joined the Meeting.

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 90th Meeting held on Thursday 16th March 2017.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 17/114 None

EX MIN 17/115 PRESENTATION BY ANGLEC SHARE SALE WORKING GROUP

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

Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN

Mr Larry Franklin, PS, EDICTLP

Mrs Shantelle Richardson, Director of Economic Planning

Mrs Nashara Webster-Wilkes, Economist

Mr Brian Deadman, Financial Adviser to the GoA

Mr Claudel Romney, Managing Partner, BDO

Mr Jerrick Evangelista, Manager, Audit and Advisory Services, BDO

Council noted a comprehensive Power Point presentation by Mr Claudel Romney, Managing Director, BDO on GoA's intended sale of shares in Anglec to offset some of its debt. Council additionally noted that there would be a further presentation to Executive Council on an offer price and marketing.

Council agreed that the Government of Anguilla need not retain an overall 51% share in Anglec. The objective of the sale should be to sell whatever portion of the Government's 40% direct shareholding was necessary to ensure the revenue forecasts foreseen in the Government's 2017 Budget were realised. The share offering should be made across the region to ensure the greatest possible interest in the sale.

Council thanked the BDO team for an excellent presentation.

Action: PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; PAS, FIN; BD; DEP; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 17/116 EX MEM 17/70 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PAROLE BOARD 2016

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council:-

- (i) noted the report of the Parole Board covering the year 2016; and
- (ii) agreed that the Hon Minister of Social Development should arrange for the Report to be laid before the House of Assembly at its next sitting.

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

Action: PS, HSD; HON AG; CL, HOA; HON MIN, HSD

EX MIN 17/117 EX MEM 17/71 USE OF SPORTS FACILITIES POLICY

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

Dr Bonnie Richardson-Lake, PS, ELSYC Mrs Hyacinth Bradley, Community Services Planner

Council:-

- (i) noted the amendments to the proposed fee schedule; and
- (ii) approved the Policy for Use of Sports Facilities.

Action: PS, ELSYC; CSP; DIR, SPORTS; HON MIN, HSD

EX MIN 17/118

EX MEM 17/72 CREMATION REGULATIONS 2017, CREMATION (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2017, CORONERS (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2017, TRADE BUSINESSES OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS LICENSING (AMENDMENT) ACT 2017

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance. Ms Kathleen Rogers, Principal Environmental Health Officer joined the Meeting.

Council approved the following, subject to final approval by the Attorney General's Chambers:-

- (i) the Cremation (Amendment) Act, 2017; the Coroners (Amendment) Act, 2017; the Trade Businesses Occupations and Professions Licensing (Amendment) Act 2017 to be laid before the House of Assembly at its next sitting; and
- (ii) the Cremation Regulations 2017 for signing by the Hon Minister of Health, once the amendments have been approved by the House of Assembly.

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

Action: PS, HSD; HON AG; PEHO; CL, HOA; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 17/119

EX MEM 17/73 THE NATIONAL SPORTS POLICY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS STRATEGIC PLAN 2017-2020

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance. PS, ELSYC and Community Services Planner remained for discussion.

Council approved the National Sports Policy and the Strategic Plan for sports development for the period 2017-2020. Council agreed that the documents should be published on the GoA's website.

Action: PS, ELSYC; CSP; DIR, SPORTS; HON MIN, HSD

EX MIN 17/120

EX MEM 17/74 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS FOR THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISISON FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 2016

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council:-

- (i) approved the appointment of the firm, 'Grant Thornton International Limited' of Antigua to conduct the audit of the Public Utilities Commission's accounts for the year ended 31 December 2016; and
- (ii) noted the intention of the PUC to go to tender next year to provide auditing services to the Commission.

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

Action: PS, MICUHAFIT; EX DIR, PUC; HON MIN, MICUHAFIT

EX MIN 17/121

EX MEM 17/75 ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BUSINESS LICENCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council clarified the decision taken in EX MIN 16/728 of 1st December 2016, as follows:-

Council:-

- (i) agreed that the Terms of Reference would be reviewed by the Ministry of Finance;
- (ii) approved the establishment of the Business Licence Review Committee; and
- (iii) agreed that the Committee should comprise the:-

Principal Assistant Secretary, Finance as Chairperson;

Commerce Officer and Economist from the Ministry of Finance;

President and two (2) officers of the Executive from the Chamber of Commerce; and

Two (2) members from the business community.

Action: PS, EDICTLP; PS, FIN; PAS, FIN; HON AG; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 17/122

EX MEM 17/76 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL'S DECISIONS ON THE WAY FORWARD FOR CAPITAL FUNDED PROJECT - ANGUILLA FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES BUILDING (AFRS) AND THE AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL (ATC) COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AND CABIN AND PRIORITISATION OF THE SAME

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance. PS, FIN and Financial Adviser to the GoA remained for discussion. The following persons joined the Meeting:-

Mr Karim Hodge, PS, MICUHAFIT Mr Bancroft Battick, Chief Engineer Mrs Anthea Ipinson-Connor, Chief Project Officer Mrs Sandra York-Gumbs, Financial/Administrative Services Manager, DICUH

Council agreed that this matter, in addition to a paper on 'Hosting of the Anguilla Summer Festival's August Monday Beach Party', should be dealt with at a Special Meeting of Executive Council to be held on Monday 27th March 2017 at 2:00 pm.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS; PS, MICUHAFIT; PS, ELSYC
