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MINUTES OF THE 103rd MEETING OF THE TWELFTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 8th SEPTEMBER 2022 AT 9.00 AM

PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms Dileeni Daniel-Selvaratnam

The Honourable Premier and Minister for Finance, Economic

Development & Investment and Health, Dr Ellis Webster

The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Perin Bradley

The Honourable Minister for Social Development, Cultural Affairs, Youth Affairs, Gender Affairs, Education and Library Services,

Ms Dee-Ann Kentish-Rogers

The Honourable Minister for Home Affairs, Immigration, Labour, Human Rights, Constitutional Affairs, Information and Broadcasting, Lands and Physical Planning, Mr Kenneth Hodge

The Honourable Minister for Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing and Tourism, Mr Haydn Hughes

The Honourable Minister for Sustainability, Innovation and Environment, Mrs Quincia Gumbs-Marie

Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Mr Merrick Richardson

The Honourable Attorney General, Mr Dwight Horsford

Clerk to Executive Council, Mrs Angela Hughes

IN ATTENDANCE: Financial Specialist, Mr Stephen Turnbull

EX MIN 22/293 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Financial Specialist remained.

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 102nd Meeting of Executive Council held on Thursday 1st September, 2022 and the Minutes of the decision taken by Round Robin on Wednesday 7th September 2022.

Council noted with sadness recent reports concerning the health of Her Majesty The Queen.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 22/295

EX MEMO 22/215 ADDENDUM TO EXCO MEMORANDUM 22/148 – ALIENS LAND HOLDING REGULATION ACT – REGISTRATION SECTION CAULS POND, BLOCK 69015 B, PARCEL 22 CONTAINING 0.40 OF AN ACRE

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Financial Specialist remained.

Council agreed to issue an Aliens Land Holding Licence to hold on a freehold basis, property situate in Registration Section Cauls Pond, Block 69015 B, described as Parcel 22 being 0.40 acres of land, located at Cauls Bottom, Anguilla, for residential purposes, subject to the following:

(a) Payment of the following Stamp Duties:

Option C

(i) under the Stamp Act – 5% of EC\$94,087.00

EC\$4,704.35

(ii) under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 6.25% of EC\$94,087.00

EC\$5,880.44

(iii) Refundable Deposit – 10% of EC\$94,087.00

Waived

TOTAL <u>EC\$10,584.79</u>

- (b) Regulations to be issued by the Attorney General's Chambers;
- (c) the applicants be granted an exemption from payment of the refundable deposit, on the grounds that one is a Caribbean National and one is an Anguillian, they intend to return to Anguilla and make it their home in the near future. In addition, there shall be no restrictions placed on the time to build;
- (d) the property must be used for residential purposes; and
- (e) the Licensee shall fully comply with the laws of Anguilla in force from time to time, including the Land Development Control Act, the Property Tax Act, the Building Regulations, the Labour Relations Act 2018 and Control of Employment, Work Permit Regulations, the Social Security Act, the Immigration and Passport Regulations and any statutory modification or reenactment thereof and any rules or regulations made there under.

Action: DLS; PS, HA; HON, MIN HA

EX MIN 22/296 COVID-19 UPDATE

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Financial Specialist remained.

The Ministry of Health continue to monitor the developments concerning COVID-19 and monkey pox. There have been no substantive changes since the late update (last week). Work continues with the HAA to build national MPX testing capability and also to examine whether there is a need for the monkey pox vaccine and the associated strategy for same. There are no new recommendations at this time.

Globally, the threat of COVID-19 still prevails and Omicron is the prevalent variant.

Anguilla

As of September 7, 12 persons have died and there are currently 18 active cases. There are no persons currently admitted to the Isolation Unit.

Council:

- noted the update on MPX in the region. MPX testing kits have been received from PAHO and HAA laboratory staff are being trained to use same;
- noted that oral antiviral medication for the management of COVID-19 illness may be available to Anguilla and follow up was needed;
- noted that the next health briefing should address the status of the border regulations and any recommended changes to same; and
- 4) noted that vaccination is still strongly encouraged as a response to the pandemic and booster doses are available. There are currently no vaccines for 5 11 year olds.

Action: PS, HLTH; PS, FIN; PS, EDMISE; BD; ACC, GEN; HON, DG; HON, AG; MINS OF GOV'T