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MINUTES OF THE 116TH MEETING OF THE TENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 30TH AUGUST 2012

PRESENT: His Excellency the Governor, Mr Alistair Harrison

The Honourable Hubert Hughes, Chief Minister and Minister of Finance, Economic Development, Investment, Commerce and Tourism

The Honourable Acting Deputy Governor, Ms Aurjul Wilson

The Honourable Edison Baird, Minister of Social Development, Health, Sports and Education

The Honourable Walcott Richardson, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Lands, Physical Planning, Human Rights, Environment, Gender Affairs and Agriculture and Fisheries

The Honourable Evan Gumbs, Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities and Housing

The Honourable Attorney General, Mr James Wood

Mrs Sonia Brooks, Acting Clerk to Executive Council

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Larry Franklin, PS, MICUH

Mr Steve McCready, Chief of Staff Mr Vincent Hippolyte, CEO AASPA Mr Kenn Banks, Chairman, AASPA Mr Leslie Richardson, Member, AASPA

Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, Finance Hon Jerome Roberts, AFATF Ms Kellie Bailey, AFATF Mr Perin Bradley, AFATF Mr Robert Hudson, AFATF

Ms Dawn Richardson, Parliamentary Counsel

ABSENT: The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Stanley Reid

EX MIN 12/597 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 113th, 114th, 115th Meetings held on Thursday 2nd, 16th and 23rd August 2012 respectively and the Minutes of Special Meetings held on Tuesday 14th August and Friday 24th August 2012.

MATTERS ARISNG FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 12/599 EX MIN 12/548 SHARA PROCTOR – OLYMPICS

PS, Finance remained for the discussion.

HE the Governor informed Executive Council that a congratulatory message was sent to Shara Proctor and when she qualified another message was sent. A final message was sent saying that she made Anguilla Proud.

Ms Proctor sent a thank you message to Executive Council.

EX MIN 12/600 EX MIN 12/575 MEETING WITH CEO AIR AND SEAPORTS AUTHORITY

The officials indicated below joined the meeting:-

Mr Larry Franklin, PS, MICUH Mr Steve McCready, Chief of Staff Mr Vincent Hippolyte, CEO AASPA Mr Kenn Banks, Chairman AASPA Mr Leslie Richardson, Member, AASPA Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, Finance

Mr Vincent Hippolyte gave a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation on the financial status and recommendations for sustainability of the Anguilla Air and Sea Ports Authority.

The AASPA proposed that:

- 1. GoA to provide a repayable loan to finance the insurance premiums for 2012/13 (this has been addressed by way of an advance from GoA)
- 2. GoA to provide a repayable 3 month (*September November*) short term financing facility in the amount EC\$350,000 monthly.
- 3. GoA to suspend the requirement for fire service payments for the whole of 2012.
- 4. GoA to approve the recommendation and implementation of passenger security and cargo security charges by November 2012:
 - US\$5 per departing passenger at seaports

 US\$2 per ton break-bulk general cargo and US\$40 per TEU for containers.

The Hon Chief Minister stated that the GoA is in not in a financial position to assist and that the AASPA should apply to the EU for assistance.

Ministry of Finance was urged to consider reversing the decision on embarkation tax as it was based on inaccurate and flawed advice.

Council agreed that there should be a meeting between Ministry of Finance officials and AASPA officials and the matter should be discussed further at the next regular Executive Council meeting.

Action: PS, MICUH

of 19 July 2012

OUTSTANDING ITEMS FOR EXCO

1. EX MIN 12/500 CENTRAL CHRISTIAN SCHOOL of 19 July 2012 To report back to Executive Council.

Action: PS, ELSYC

2. EX MIN 12/501 LEASE OF CINNAMON REEF PROPERTY

of 19 July 2012 FROM ASSIDCO

To report back to Executive Council.

Action: HON CM; PS, ELSYC; PS, FIN;

PS, EDICT

3. EX MIN 12/502 CONSIDER REQUEST FROM THE ANGUILLA

TOURIST BOARD (ATB) FOR THE GOA TO

FUND SETTLEMENT WITH

MR FITZROY "BRIGY" TOMLINSON To report back to Executive Council.

Action: PS, EDICT

EX MIN 12/601 <u>EX MEM 12/289 CT SCAN SERVICES AT THE PRINCESS ALEXANDRA</u> HOSPITAL

Council:-

- (a) Approved a grant of US\$57,170 to the Health Authority of Anguilla (HAA) in order to make the CT scan operational.
- (b) Approved the new CT scan fees attached.

Action: PS, HSD

EX MEM 12/602

EX MEM 12/290 SALE PRICE FOR 2010 REVISED EDITION OF THE STATUTES AND REGULATIONS OF ANGUILLA AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE REVISED STATUTES AND REGULATIONS COMING INTO FORCE REGULATIONS, 2010

PS, Finance remained for the discussion.

Council approved the following sale prices:-

- (a) the sale price (to persons other than Government Departments) of US\$1,875 for the 12 Volume printed version of the Revised Edition and CD-ROM which will be available to first-time purchasers ("non-subscribers");
- (b) the sale price (to persons other than Government Departments) of US\$1,200 for the Revised Edition CD-ROM which will be available to first-time purchasers ("non-subscribers");
- (c) the sale price (to persons other than Government Departments) of US\$500 for the 157 booklets of the Revised Edition Update and CD-ROM which will be available to repeat customers ("subscribers");
- (d) the sale price (to persons other than Government Departments) of individual Acts and their regulations at US\$10, US\$25 and US\$40 depending on the length, and US\$5 for the Constitutional Law Set;
- (e) the sale price to Government Departments of US\$1,312 for the 12 Volume printed version of the Revised Edition and CD-ROM which will be available to non-subscribers:
- (f) the sale price to Government Departments of US\$840 for the Revised Edition CD-ROM which will be available to non-subscribers;
- (g) the sale price to Government Departments of US\$350 for the 157 booklets of the Revised Edition Update and CD-ROM which will be available to subscribers;
- (h) the sale price to Government Departments of individual Acts and their regulations at US\$5, US\$12.50 and US\$20 depending on the length, and US\$5 for the Constitutional Law Set; and
- (i) the enforcement of the Regulations.

Action: AG

EX MIN 12/603

EX MEM 12/291 IMPLEMENTATION OF ANGUILLA'S FIRST NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

PS, Finance remained for the discussion. Ms Dawn Richardson, Parliamentary Counsel joined the meeting.

Council agreed to the following:-

- (i) to implement the first National Legislative Agenda commencing on August 31, 2012;
- (ii) that formal revisions be made every 6 months, to keep the National Legislative Agenda current.

Action: AG

EX MIN 12/604 EX MEM 12/292 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION FOR SHOAL BAY PROPERTIES

PS, Finance remained for the discussion.

Council agreed that duty exemption of 75% should be granted to Shoal Bay Properties (c/o Sherrilyn Hodge) on the attached list of items.

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

EX MIN 12/605 EX MEM 12/293 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION FOR ANGUILLA FINANCE

PS, Finance remained for the discussion.

Council:

- (a) agreed that duty exemption should be granted to Anguilla Finance (c/o Steve Garlick) on the items listed below which will be vital in marketing the financial services industry.
 - 1. Captive Reports 2012-13
 - 2. Anguilla Finance Brochures
 - 3. Bannerstands
 - 4. Penguin Grapic
 - 5. Joining Kits
 - 6. Halogen Lights
- (b) authorised the Comptroller of Customs to release items prior to House of Assembly.
- (c) authorised the issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the Minutes.

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

ORAL MENTION

EX MEIN 12/606 ANGUILLA FINANCIAL ACTION TASK FORCE

Dr Aidan Harrigan and Mr Steve McCready remained for the discussion. Hon Jerome Roberts, Ms Kellie Bailey and Messrs Perin Bradley and Robert Hudson joined the meeting. Hon Jerome Roberts expressed sincere thanks and appreciation to the contribution that Catherine Firth made to the AFATF and welcomed Steve McCready who replaced Catherine Firth.

EXCO thanked Hon Jerome Roberts and team and agreed to look at the various recommendations and policy issues on FCTA.

EX MIN 12/607 **OVERSEAS TRAVEL**

The Hon Chief Minister informed Executive Council that he would be off island from 3rd September to 6th September to attend a CDB/IMF meeting in Trinidad.

EX MIN 12/608 FLYING ANGUILLA FLAG IN LONDON

HE the Governor informed EXCO that each Overseas Territory Flag would be flown in London. The Anguilla flag would be flown on Anguilla Day, 30th May.
