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## CONTINUATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 96<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE TENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 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 Deputy Governor, Mr Stanley Reid

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 Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council

IN ATTENDANCE: Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN

Mr Foster Rogers, PS, EDICT

Mr Perin Bradley, TIO

Mr Ivor Greene, Senior Crown Counsel (Civil)

Mr Gifford Connor, DLS

Mr Leslie Hodge, Surveyor/Understudy to DLS

### EX MIN 12/165 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 95<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2012 and the Minutes of Special Meetings held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March, Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March and Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2012.

### **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

## EX MIN 12/166 EX MIN 12/133 EX MEM 12/57 APPOINTMENT OF PAROLE BOARD MEMBERS

Further to EX MIN 12/133 of 1st March 2012, Council noted that Mrs Rhonda

Connor had consented to be a member of the Parole Board.

Action: PS, HSD; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; PS, PA; ACC GEN

### EX MIN 12/167

## EX MIN 12/144 EX MEM 12/58 WORK PERMIT APPLICATION REFUSAL

EX MIN 12/144 of 8<sup>th</sup> March 2012 refers.

Council noted that the above minute should read:-

Further to EX MIN 12/134 of 1<sup>st</sup> March 2012, the first paragraph of the minute was amended to read:-

His Excellency the Governor requested the Hon Minister, Home Affairs to defer the above paper for further consideration. The Hon Minister, Home Affairs refused to do so. The Governor said that he will make a statement regarding the matter subsequently, and that in his opinion, the Minister's actions over this issue risked being interpreted as a further abuse of power.

The Governor made the attached statement in Executive Council on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2012. The Hon Minister, Home Affairs said that he will respond to the Governor's statement. (The Governor and Hon Minister have agreed that both statements will be published when the Minister's statement is available).

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; LAB COM; CIO

### EX MIN 12/168

### EX MIN 12/147 EX MEM 12/62 EXCHANGE OF CROWN LANDS BLOCK 28010 WEST END – ELENOE ANNETTE RICHARDSON SECTION: WEST END BLOCK 17810B

Further to EX MIN 12/147 of 8<sup>th</sup> March 2012, the Hon Minister, Home Affairs informed Council that there might be an error with regards to the name of the person owning the land and that the matter would be looked at again.

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; DLS; PS, ELSYC

### **OUTSTANDING ITEM FOR EXCO**

1. EX MIN 08/761 IMI of 11 December 2008

IMMIGRATION AND LABOUR POLICY

Action: PS, MHA; AG

### EX MIN 12/169

## EX MEM 12/64 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION FOR ANGUILLA ANIMAL RESCUE FOUNDATION

Council noted that the above matter had already been approved by the Executive Council.

Action: PS, FIN; FO

# EX MIN 12/170 EX MEM 12/65 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION FOR FIRST STEPS FOUNDATION LEARNING CENTER AND MONTESSORI ACADEMY

Council noted that the above matter had already been approved by the Executive Council.

Action: PS, FIN; FO

## EX MIN 12/171 <u>EX MIN 12/154 EX MEM 12/66 ORGANISING COMMITTEE FOR</u> ANGUILLA SUMMER FESTIVAL 2012

EX MIN 12/154 of 15<sup>th</sup> March 2012 refers.

Council endorsed the list of persons to serve on the 2012 Summer Festival Committee as follows:-

Chairperson Davon Carty

Financial Controller Gecheal Richardson-Gumbs

Sponsorship/Marketing
Product Development Officer ATB
Boat Race Committee
Opening Night
Prince and Princess
Simone Connor
Joan K. Richardson
Paul Romney
Arlette Richardson
Renford Kelsick

Prince and Princess

Jr. Calypso

Band Clash/Bands

Caribbean Beach Party/J'ouvert

CCB Talented Teen

Calypso Monarch

Renford Kelsick

Keria Hughes

Albert Burton

Davon Carty

Trevor Woodley

Courtney Morton

Female Calypso
Miss Anguilla Queens Pageant
Grand Parade of Troupes
Leeward Islands Calypso
Grounds Maintenance
Security
Calvin Hughes
Rebecca Webster
Shayne Thompson
Joseph Vanterpool
Stanley Carty
Rudolph Proctor

Council noted that a further paper will be submitted to Executive Council regarding the financing of the festival.

Action: PS, ELSYC

### EX MIN 12/172 EX MIN 12/156 EX MEM 12/68 EDUCATION BILL 2012

Further to EX MIN 12/156 of  $15^{th}$  March 2012, Council agreed that the paper be resubmitted to Executive Council on Thursday  $22^{nd}$  March 2012.

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

Action: PS, ELSYC

### EX MIN 12/173

# EX MIN 12/157 EX MEM 12/69 RETAINER OF COUNSEL TO REPRESENT THE GOVERNMENT OF ANGUILLA BEFORE A BOARD OF ASSESSMENT TO DETERMINE THE VALUE OF LAND COMPULSORILY ACQUIRED FROM THE LAKES' FAMILY

Messrs Ivor Greene, SCC (Civil), Gifford Connor, DLS and Leslie Hodge, Surveyor/Understudy to DLS joined the Meeting.

Further to EX MIN 12/157 of 15<sup>th</sup> March 2012, Council noted the costs of Mr Anthony Astaphan's representation in the above case.

Council agreed that:-

- 1) the Hon Chief Minister should write to FCO next week to present a case for funding;
- 2) if necessary, a Special Meeting of Executive Council would be convened to deal with the matter;
- 3) HE The Governor should make the FCO aware that the Hon Chief Minister would be putting his request for funding in writing.

Action: HE; HON CM; AG; PS, MHA/LANDS; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; DLS

### EX MIN 12/174

## EX MEM 12/70 APPEAL AGAINST PLANNING PERMISSION – DERICK HUGHES

Council agreed that the appeal against planning permission for Mr Derick Hughes to use a containerized unit as an office at Corito, Anguilla (Block 38812B Parcel 88) should be allowed.

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PPO

### EX MIN 12/175

## EX MEM 12/71 APPEAL AGAINST PLANNING PERMISSION – DONALEE RICHARDSON

EX MIN 09/589 of  $27^{th}$  August 2009 indicated that the matter was deferred pending a site visit.

Council agreed that a site visit at the proposed development in South Hill, Block 38411B, Parcel 180 should be undertaken in accordance with EX MIN 09/589.

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PPO; EXCO MEMBERS

### EX MIN 12/176

## EX MEM 12/72 APPEAL AGAINST PLANNING PERMISSION – NEVILLE GUMBS

EX MIN 11/886 of 22 December 2011, indicated that the matter was deferred for a site visit.

Following the site visit, Council agreed that the appeal against planning permission for Mr Neville Gumbs to construct an office building at George Hill, Anguilla (Block 38813B, Lot 160) should be allowed.

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PPO

## EX MIN 12/177 EX MEM 12/73 ADVERTISING OF PRISON OFFICER POSTS DUE TO EXPIRATION OF CONTRACT

Council agreed that the four (4) posts of Prison Officer which will become vacant due to the expiration of the Officers' contracts in June 2012 should be advertised.

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

Action: PS, HSD; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; BO

## EX MIN 12/178 EX MEM 12/74 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION FOR LLOYD'S AVIATION SERVICES

Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN joined the Meeting.

Council:-

- (i) agreed that duty exemption should be granted to Lloyd's Aviation Services (c/o Mr David Lloyd) on construction materials, furniture, furnishings, fittings and the necessary equipment for the construction of the facility to operate a fixed based operation at the Clayton J. Lloyd Airport;
- (ii) agreed to a 1% administrative fee.

The duty loss to the GoA is estimated at \$301,323.26.

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

## EX MIN 12/179 EX MEM 12/75 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION BY DOMINION FAITH CENTRE

PS, FIN remained for discussion.

Council agreed that duty exemption should be granted to Dominion Faith Centre (c/o Pastor Dexter Welcome) on a Projector and accessories and a CD Duplicator for worship purposes.

The duty loss to GoA is calculated at \$709.75.

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

# EX MIN 12/180 EX MEM 12/76 ALIENS LAND HOLDING LICENCE APPLICATION FOR SHELDON COHEN AND NATALIE COHEN, PARCEL 348, BLOCK 99415B IN EAST END REGISTRATION SECTION

discussion.

EX MIN 11/704 of 20<sup>th</sup> October 2011 refers.

Council agreed that EX MIN 11/704 of 20<sup>th</sup> October 2011 granting an Aliens Land Holding Licence to Sheldon & Natalie Cohen to convert their leasehold interest into a freehold interest comprising 0.29 acre of land with a villa thereon located at Seafeathers on land described as Parcel 348, Block 99415B in East End Registration Section should be amended as follows:-

Outstanding Stamp Duty of ALHL @ 5% of EC\$194,400.00

EC\$ 9,720.00

**Total Stamp Duties Payable** 

EC\$34,182.62

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

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; DLS

### EX MIN 12/181

EX MEM 12/77 EXCHANGE OF CROWN LAND – KIRK AND JOYLYNN HUGHES, SECTION ROAD, BLOCK 08412B PART OF PARCEL 365 (CROWN) AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HOUSE ON SECTION WEST CENTRAL, BLOCK 28411B, PARCEL 206 FOR BERTHA P. COLBOURNE

DLS and Surveyor/Understudy to DLS remained for discussion.

EX MIN 11/749 of 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2011 refers.

Council agreed that:-

- (i) EX MIN 11/749 of 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2011 should be amended to exchange Crown's land in the amount of 0.85 acre being part of Parcel 365 Block 08412B in Road Registration Section, along with the relevant access in accordance with Survey Plan Reference LS16-10E;
- (ii) the approval of the development of parking should be subject to Mr Hughes working along with the Forward Section of the Planning Department to the satisfaction of the Chief Engineer of MICUH and obtaining any/all relevant approvals;
- (iii) an agreement be made with Mr Hughes that this is a full and final settlement.

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

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; DLS; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT

### **ORAL MENTION**

EX MIN 12/183

# <u>LETTER FROM</u> <u>REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ANGUILLA</u> <u>EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION AND PRESIDENT,</u> <u>CHRISTIAN COUNCIL</u>

**ANGUILLA** 

HE The Governor circulated a letter dated 12<sup>th</sup> March 2012, to the members of Executive Council, addressed to HE The Governor from Pastor Gerard Gumbs of the Anguilla Evangelical Association and the Rt. Rev. L. Errol Brooks, President of the Anguilla Christian Council requesting an extension of three months to the Constitutional and Electoral Reform Committee.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS

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