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## MINUTES OF THE 133<sup>RD</sup> MEETING OF THE TENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2013

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: Mr Rudolph Proctor, Commissioner of Police

Mr Steve McCready, Chief of Staff, Governor's Office

### EX MIN 13/01 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 132<sup>nd</sup> Meeting held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> December 2012 and the Minutes of a Special Meeting held on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> December 2012.

### MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

### EX MIN 13/02 EX MIN 12/912 CONDOLENCES

Further to EX MIN 12/912 of 27<sup>th</sup> December 2012, Council authorised HE the Governor to send a letter expressing condolences to the immediate family of the late Ms Linda Lake, Deputy Director, Youth & Culture on behalf of the Executive Council.

Action: HE; PS, ELSYC; PS, PA

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### EX MIN 13/03

### EX MEM 12/447 EXTENSION OF CONTRACT FOR DIRECTOR OF LANDS AND SURVEYS

EX MIN 12/909 of 27<sup>th</sup> December 2012 refers.

Council confirmed the decision taken by round robin on 28<sup>th</sup> December 2012 that instead of the 15% gratuity to be paid to Mr Gifford Connor (DLS) at the end of his extended contract that Mr Connor be awarded a 25% payment on his basic salary.

The Hon Chief Minister expressed concern regarding succession planning for officers in the Anguilla Public Service.

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; BD; ACC GEN

#### EX MIN 13/04

## EX MEM 13/01 HEALTH COMPLAINTS MANAGEMENT POLICY AND ASSOCIATED PROCEDURES

Council approved in principle the use of the Health Complaints Management Policy and Associated Procedures. Council agreed that Members study the document thoroughly and ratify the decision at next week's regular Meeting of Executive Council.

Action: PS, HSD

### EX MIN 13/05

# EX MEM 13/02 NATIONAL POLICY ON RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES FOR OLDER PERSONS, GUIDELINES FOR ALL TYPES OF FACILITIES FOR OLDER PERSONS AND THE CHARTER OF RESIDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR OLDER PERSONS

Council approved in principle the use of the National Policy on Residential Care Facilities for Older Persons and its supporting documents. Council agreed that Members study the documents thoroughly and that the PS, HSD should be invited to attend the Meeting of Executive Council on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> January for further discussion.

Action: PS, HSD

### EX MIN 13/06

## EX MEM 13/03 APPOINTMENT OF MS SHAMEICA C. HODGE TO THE BOARD OF THE WATER CORPORATION OF ANGUILLA

Council agreed that:-

(i) Ms. Shameica C. Hodge should be appointed as a member of the Board of the Water Corporation of Anguilla for a period of 3 years;

- (ii) Ms. Shameica C. Hodge should be paid the same allowance (EC\$1,100) as other ordinary Board members of the Water Corporation of Anguilla;
- (iii) the allowances for all Board members will remain as they currently are;
- (iv) the resignation of Mrs Patricia MacDonna should be gazetted.

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

Action: PS, MICUH; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; ACC GEN

### EX MIN 13/07 **EX MEM 1**

## EX MEM 13/04 APPOINTMENT OF TWO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF THE ANGUILLA AIR AND SEA PORTS AUTHORITY

Council approved in principle the recommendations indicated below while requesting the Ministry, MICUH to write to Mr Keithley Lake inquiring as to how he proposes to deal with the apparent, as well as any potential conflict of interest.

- (i) the appointment of Mr Keithley F.T. Lake as a member and as Chairman of the Board of the Anguilla Air and Sea Ports Authority for a period of 3 years;
- (ii) the appointment of Mr Vanroy Hodge as a member of the Board of the Anguilla Air and Sea Ports Authority for a period of 3 years;
- (iii) Mr. Lake should be paid the same allowance (EC\$1,800 per month) as the previous Chairman;
- (iv) Mr. Hodge should be paid the same allowance (EC\$1,500) as the other ordinary members of the AASPA Board;
- (v) the allowances for all other Board members will remain as is.

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

Action: PS, MICUH

### **ORAL MENTION**

### EX MIN 13/08 BRIEFING BY THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

Mr Rudolph Proctor, Commissioner of Police and Mr Steve McCready, Chief of Staff, Governor's Office joined the Meeting.

The Commissioner of Police stated that the increased criminal activity on the island continues to be of grave concern for everyone. The CoP gave a comprehensive report on the recent incidents – the latest resulting in the deaths of two young persons. He raised further concern with regard to:-

- 1) drug activity
- 2) gang activity
- 3) cash for gold business
- 4) copper/metal recycling business

The Commissioner also spoke of the importance of carrying out extensive due diligence checks on persons applying to work on the island. He emphasised, as he had often done on previous presentations to the Executive Council, the importance of the public supplying information to the police regarding criminal activity. As he indicated, when valuable information is withheld, and evidence is lacking then prosecution of the suspected culprits is unlikely to occur.

HE the Governor thanked the Commissioner for his detailed presentation and wished the RAPF the best for 2013 and success in combatting criminal activity on the island.

Action: HE; COP

### EX MIN 13/09

### BRIEFING BY HE THE GOVERNOR ON THE BUDGET

HE the Governor informed Council that he had not yet received word from FCO as to whether the 2013 Budget had been approved or reserved. He suggested that the Hon Minister of Finance might want to prepare the usual provisional warrant in case assent of the 2013 Budget is delayed.

Action: HE; HON CM

### EX MIN 13/10

### TEMPORARY RELEASE OF PRISONER

HE the Governor informed Council that Mr Jose Abraham, an inmate at HM Prison had been diagnosed with chicken pox, thus exposing other inmates at the prison of becoming infected. On the recommendation of the Superintendent of Prison, the Governor signed a document for the temporary release of the prisoner.

Action: HE; SOP

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