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# MINUTES OF THE 135<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2018

PRESENT:	His Excellency the Governor, Mr Timothy Foy, OBE
	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 Acting Attorney General, Mr Ivor Greene
	Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council
IN ATTENDANCE:	Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary Mrs Evalie Bradley, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA Mr Stephen Turnbull, Financial Specialist Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN Mr Larry Franklin, PS, EDICTIT Mr Karim Hodge, PS, MICUHAFE Ms Tamika Fleming, Deputy Comptroller, Inland Revenue Mrs Nashara Webster-Wilkes, Economist Mrs Tavia Connor, Business Process Analyst Ms Jamila Gumbs, Budget Officer
ABSENT:	The Honourable Attorney General, Mr John McKendrick QC
EX MIN 18/164	<b>CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES</b>
	Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained in attendance.

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 134<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on Thursday 22 March 2018.

#### MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 18/165 None

#### EX MIN 18/166 EX MEM 18/98 GRANT OF LOTTERY LICENCE – MADROKA ANGUILLA LOTTERY (LTD)

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained in attendance.

#### Council:-

- (i) approved the Business Licence application by Madroka Anguilla Lottery (Ltd) to operate a lottery on Anguilla for 10 years with the option to review after five (5) years and with the understanding that the licence could be terminated at any point if there is a material breach of the conditions of the licence;
- (ii) agreed that this is not an exclusive arrangement;
- (iii) agreed that the Attorney General's Chambers in collaboration with MFEDICT should prepare legislation regulating the lotteries industry; and
- (iv) agreed that the Government of Anguilla should complete a satisfactory agreement with Madroka regarding Government's revenue from the lottery.

Action: PS, FIN; PS, EDICTIT; HON AG; PAS, FIN; CIR; BD; ACC GEN; MINS OF GOV'T

#### EX MIN 18/167 EX MEM 18/100 ANGUILLA UTILITY TOKEN OFFERING (AUTO) ACT

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained in attendance. PS, EDICTIT remained for discussion.

Council:-

- noted confirmation from H E The Governor that Her Majesty's Treasury had no objection to the proposed legislation for the regulation of non-security Initial Coin Offerings or Initial Token Offerings in or from within Anguilla;
- (ii) agreed that the Anguilla Utility Token Offering (AUTO) Act should be given its first reading at the next sitting of the House of Assembly; and
- (iii) agreed that after the first reading a short consultation should ensue.

H E The Governor and PS, EDICTIT reciprocated thanks for their involvement in this.

Action: PS, EDICTIT; HON AG; PS, FIN; PAS, FIN; BD; CL, HOA; ACC GEN; MINS OF GOV'T

#### EX MIN 18/168 **EX MEM 18/101 REVISED 2018 BUDGET**

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist and PS, EDICTIT remained in attendance. The following persons joined:-

Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN Mr Karim Hodge, PS, MICUHAFE Ms Tamika Fleming, Deputy Comptroller, Inland Revenue Mrs Nashara Webster-Wilkes, Economist Mrs Tavia Connor, Business Process Analyst Ms Jamila Gumbs, Budget Officer

Council:-

(i) approved the revised 2018 Budget as presented including the 25m deficit as indicated below:-

Recurrent Revenue:	EC\$177,501,934
Recurrent Expenditure	202,156,916
Recurrent Deficit	24,654,982
Capital Revenue	108,527,651
Capital Expenditure	85,745,000
Capital Surplus	22,782,651
Overall Deficit (before amortization)	1,872,331
Debt Amortization	27,211,868
Overall Deficit (after amortization)	29,084,198
Financing	48,451,745

(ii) approved the two means of financing the shortfalls in 2018 as follows:-

CDB "Refinance" Loan	\$14,952 million
CDB PBL Loan	25,000 million
CDB ACC (approved in 2013)	8,500 million

- (iii) recognises that the UK's approval to the refinancing and PBL loans would have a slight variation in timing; and
- (iv) agreed that the list of grant projects should be ready to go tender at the earliest opportunity.

Council agreed that the 2018 Budget should be sent off to the UKG. Council noted from finance officials that the provisional warrant expires at the end of April and thus it was crucial to get the 2018 Budget approved.

Action: PS, FIN; PS, EDICTIT; PAS, FIN; BD; DEP; CPO; DM; ACC GEN; MINS OF GOV'T

# EX MIN 18/169INF 18/02 INFORMATION NOTE: NATIONAL FUNERAL FOR THE LATE<br/>MRS. DAISY "WONG" RICHARDSON IN RECOGNITION OF HER<br/>INVALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO ANGUILLA DURING THE<br/>REVOLUTION

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained in attendance.

Council noted the passing of Mrs Daisy "Wong" Richardson of the Quarter on Thursday 8 March 2018. The late Mrs Richardson was noted for her bravery in travelling secretly to St. Kitts along with her cousin, Mena Bryan, toward the end of the Anguilla Revolution in order to nominate an Anguillian for the Anguilla seat in the St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla state elections. She was also one of the leading women who demonstrated against statehood and one of the leading female voices for Anguilla's separation from St. Kitts.

As the author of "Li'l Bit A Guinea Corn Porridge," published in 1997 to commemorate 30 years since the Anguilla Revolution, Mrs Richardson documented the diversities of life in Anguilla through poetry. In 2016, just short of Anguilla's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Revolution, she was recognised with a plaque at the Malliouhana Poetry Competition for her salient involvement in the literary and cultural development of the island.

The late Mrs. Daisy "Wong" Richardson was awarded with the Anguilla Badge of Honour and Queen's Certificate prior to 1995 for her outstanding contribution to the Anguilla Revolution.

In keeping with EX MIN 14/612 (vii) and EX MIN 15/535, the Ministry of Home Affairs has therefore begun the process of making arrangements which would include:-

- (i) the holding of a National Funeral for the late Daisy "Wong" Richardson in collaboration with the family;
- (ii) the publication of an official Statement of Condolence from the Government and people of Anguilla on the passing of this outstanding revolutionary;

- (iii) flags to be flown at Half Mast on the day preceding the funeral, Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2018 and on the day of the funeral, Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2018 until immediately following the funeral ceremony;
- (iv) a Police Guard of Honour to be drawn up at the Church and a contingent of uniformed officers to bear the body in and out of the church and at the graveside. Casket to be covered with the national flag; and
- (v) a contribution of EC\$5,000 towards the cost of the funeral expenses and EC\$3,000 towards the other expenses.

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

Action: PS, MHA; PAS, MHA (Acting)

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