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## MINUTES OF THE 139<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 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 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: Mr Cardigan Connor, Hon Parliamentary Secretary

Mrs Evalie Bradley, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA

Mr Stephen Turnbull, Financial Specialist Mr Kiel Connor, Comptroller, Inland Revenue

Mr Foster Rogers, PS, HLPP

Mrs Maeza Demis-Adams, CEO, HAA (Designate) Mr Malcolm Webster, Director of Facilities, HAA Mr Raphael Evans, Chief Financial Officer, HAA

Mr Larry Franklin, PS, EDICTIT

Mr Jason Blick, Chairman, Chord Group

Mr Michael Glass, Chief Development Officer, Chord Group

Ms Julia Blick, Representative, Chord Group

Mr Russel Reid, Local Agent/Representative for the Chord Group

ABSENT: The Honourable Cora Richardson-Hodge, Minister of Home Affairs and Education

The Honourable Attorney General, Mr John McKendrick QC

#### EX MIN 18/214 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

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

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 138<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on Thursday 19 April 2018.

## **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

None

Hon Parliamentary Secretary left the Meeting to attend a funeral service.

## EX MIN 18/215 <u>EX MEM 18/117 AMENDMENTS TO INSURANCE ACT AND INSURANCE REGULATIONS</u>

Financial Specialist remained in attendance.

Council:-

- (i) approved the proposed amendments to the draft Insurance legislation (Insurance Act, R.S.A. I16 and the Insurance Regulations, R.R.A. I16-1); and
- (ii) agreed that the Insurance (Amendment) Bill, 2018 be given its second and third readings in the House of Assembly.

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

## EX MIN 18/216 <u>EX MEM 18/119 APPLICATIONS FOR THE PERMIT OF PERMANENT RESIDENCE</u>

Financial Specialist remained in attendance.

Council agreed that the seventeen (17) persons on the attached list should be granted the permit of permanent residence in accordance with Section 24 of the Immigration and Passport Act.

Action: PS, MHA; LAB COM (Acting); CIO; HON CM; HON MIN, MHA

## EX MIN 18/217 EX MEM 18/120 EXEMPTION FROM THE WORK PERMIT REQUIREMENT

Financial Specialist remained in attendance.

Council agreed that exemption from the work permit requirement was not required in these cases and that the matter be referred back to the MHA for clarification internally.

Action: PS, MHA; LAB COM (Acting); HON MIN, MHA

## EX MIN 18/218 EX MEM 18/122 REHABILITATION OF THE PRINCESS ALEXANDRA HOSPITAL (PAH) POST HURRICANE IRMA

Financial Specialist remained in attendance. The following persons joined:-

Mr Foster Rogers, PS, HLPP Mrs Maeza Demis-Adams, CEO, HAA (Designate) Mr Malcolm Webster, Director of Facilities, HAA Mr Raphael Evans, Chief Financial Officer, HAA

#### Council:-

- (i) agreed that the Ministry of Finance should be tasked with identifying the balance of funds needed to complete Phase 1 of the PAH rehabilitation project in the amount of EC\$2,003,161.63 (US\$745,168.38). Noted that the suppliers and contractors would need to be paid the remainder of their funds over the next few weeks in light of the fact that the PAH needs to be in fit condition for the impending hurricane season;
- (ii) noted that a request might have to be made to the UKG for a variation to the current project prioritisation; and
- (iii) requested the Governor's Office to work with the HAA on this as to what could be done quickly and appropriately.

Action: PS, HLPP; COS/GOV'S OFF; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTIT; BD; CPO; MINS OF GOV'T

### EX MIN 18/219

# EX MEM 18/123 APPLICATION FOR ISSUE OF LICENCE UNDER THE ALIENS LAND HOLDING REGULATIONS ACT – JAMIE CHRISTOPHER FIELDS REGISTRATION SECTION EAST CENTRAL, BLOCK 89216 B, PARCEL 131, CONTAINING 0.52 ACRE

Financial Specialist remained in attendance. PS, HLPP remained for discussion.

Council agreed that an Aliens Land Holding Licence should be issued to Jamie Christopher Fields, to hold, on a freehold basis, 0.52 acre of vacant land situate in Registration Section East Central, Block 89216 B, described as Parcel 131, located at Chalvilles to construct a dwelling house thereon, on the grounds that the applicant's reason for requesting an exception to Government's Policy on restricting aliens to hold no more than half an acre is justifiable, and subject to the following:-

- (a) Payment of Stamp Duties:-
  - (i) under the Stamp Act 5% of EC\$120,969.00

EC\$ 6,048.45

(ii) under the Aliens Land Holding Regulations Act – 6.25% of EC\$120,969.00

EC\$ 7,560.56

(iii) refundable deposit of 10% of EC\$120,969.00

EC\$12,096.90

TOTAL

EC\$25,705.91

- (b) the construction of the dwelling house to be completed within thirty (30) months. If said dwelling house is not completed at the end of thirty (30) months, 50% of the refundable deposit will be forfeited to the Government of Anguilla. The balance 50% will be forfeited if the construction is not completed within a further 6 months. Thereafter, forfeiture proceedings for the property will be commenced by the Government of Anguilla for a period of twenty-four (24) months; and
- (c) with the expressed condition that the land is to be used for residential purposes and that the Licencee must not rent his dwelling house without first notifying the Ministry of Finance.

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

Action: PS, HLPP; DLS; PS, FIN

#### **ORAL MENTION**

## EX MIN 18/220 ANGUILLA SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE (SEZ) ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS SUMMARY RESULTS

Financial Specialist remained in attendance. Hon Parliamentary Secretary re-joined. The following persons joined:-

Mr Larry Franklin, PS, EDICTIT

Mr Jason Blick, Chairman, Chord Group

Mr Michael Glass, Chief Development Officer, Chord Group

Ms Julia Blick, Representative, Chord Group

Mr Russel Reid, Local Agent/Representative for the Chord Group

Council noted a power point presentation by the Chord Group on Anguilla SEZ. The Chord Group is a sole source developer that establishes, builds and operates Knowledge Based Special Economic Zones ('SEZs").

Ministers noted that this was an opportunity to build the intellectual base in Anguilla (e.g. Information Technology). It was noted that much was not required from the GoA in the initial stages but GoA was open to finding ways and means to facilitate the process.

Council thanked the group for a detailed presentation. HE The Governor questioned the benefits of the project to the Chord Group and why SEZ as opposed to the current regime. The Governor welcomed a further conversation with the Group.

Action: HE; PS, EDICTIT; MINS OF GOV'T

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