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MINUTES OF THE 154TH MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY 24TH AUGUST 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 Attorney General (Ag), Mr Ivor Greene

Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Cardigan Connor, Hon Parliamentary Secretary
Ms Charo Richardson, Senior Regulator II, Financial Services Commission
Dr Aisha Andrewin, Chief Medical Officer
Mrs Twyla Bradshaw-Richardson, Director, Chronic Diseases Unit
Mr Darren Forbes-Batey, Anguilla Programme Manager
Mr Julian Daniel, Infrastructure Adviser
Mr Dale Rogers, Port Manager, Blowing Point
Mr Sherman Williams, Director Finance/CEO (acting), AASPA
Mr Shomari Kentish, Facilities Manager, AASPA

EX MIN 18/438

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 153rd Meeting held on Thursday 16 August 2018.

The Hon Parliamentary Secretary joined for a brief period, and left to attend another appointment.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 18/439

EX MIN 18/424 EX MEM 18/211 MEDIUM TERM LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

Following on from EX MIN 18/424 of 16 August, Council agreed that the Hon Deputy Governor, Permanent Secretaries, Hon Attorney (acting) and Ministers of Government would meet at the Executive Council Chamber on Wednesday 29 August at 9:00 am to discuss and finalise legislative priorities and report back to Ex Co on Thursday 30 August for further consideration.

Action: HON DG; HON AG (acting); PERM SECS; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 18/440

EX MIN 18/433 COMMEMORATION OF HURRICANE IRMA

Further to EX MIN 18/433 of 16 August, Council concluded that it would be correct to commemorate the event with a small religious focused service given the enormous impact of the event on the nation. HE The Governor contacted the PAS, MHA who indicated that he will have a discussion with the Ministerial Assistant, MHA on what it could entail.

Action: HE; PAS, MHA; MIN ASST/MHA; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 18/441

EX MEM 18/176 AMENDMENTS TO INSURANCE ACT

Ms Charo Richardson, Senior Regulator II, Financial Services Commission joined:

Council:-

- (i) reaffirmed the previous changes approved by Executive Council (EX MIN18/336 of 6 July)) to the Insurance Act R.S.A. I16 that:

“the beneficial owners of which are affiliated with those of the producer of the business reinsured” should be amended to read as follows:

“the ultimate beneficial owners of which are the same as those of, or affiliated with, the producer of the business reinsured”.

- (ii) agreed that the amended Act be published in the Gazette, and subsequently presented to the next sitting of the House of Assembly.

Action: HON AG (acting); DIR, FSC; DEP DIR, FSC; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTIT; PAS, FIN; BD; CL, HOA; ACC GEN

EX MIN 18/442

EX MEM 18/218 TOBACCO CONTROL BILL

The following persons joined:

Dr Aisha Andrewin, Chief Medical Officer
Mrs Twyla Bradshaw-Richardson, Director, Chronic Diseases Unit

Further to EX MIN 18/325 of 28 June, Council:

- (i) thanked the health professionals for their presentation;
- (ii) endorsed the structure of the proposed legislation which would seek to:
 - (a) establish all indoor workplaces and outdoor indoor public places to be 100% smoke-free;
 - (b) implement large, visible, and regularly changing health warnings and messages on tobacco product packages coming to port.;
 - (c) enforce a comprehensive ban on advertising, promotion and sponsorship to protect all ages from being targeted by the tobacco industry;
 - (d) prohibit the sales of tobacco products to persons under the age set by domestic law; and
 - (e) use education and communication approaches to increase public awareness and support for approval and enforcement of effective tobacco control policies.
- (iii) requested the Ministry of Social Development to engage with the Attorney General's Chambers to commence drafting on the Tobacco Control Bill; and
- (iv) agreed that consultation and sensitizing the public should begin.

In a separate discussion, Council raised concerns about the continued international health advisory which has Anguilla included in the high risk category for the Zika virus. The Chief Medical Officer noted that she, along with Public Health England was working hard to have this position revised as an urgent matter. She further noted that Anguilla was seeking to become one of the operational research centres in the region, and that the ministry had been in contact with PAHO and UK counterparts in making every effort for Anguilla to become an operational research centre. She added that the support of the Executive Council would be solicited in this undertaking.

Action: PS, HLPP; DIR, CDU; CMO; HON AG (acting); HON MIN, HSD

EX MIN 18/443

EX MEM 18/219 NURSING SCHOLARSHIPS 2018

Council endorsed the recommendations that:-

- (i) the available funding at a total of EC\$220,000.00 is transferred to BSc. General Nursing to support the other four students pursuing general nursing degrees; and
- (ii) the recipients of the funding are bonded to the Government of Anguilla as per bonding protocol.

Action: PS, HLPP; PS, PA; TRNG OFF; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTIT; BD; ACC GEN

EX MIN 18/444

EX MEM 18/220 REPORT ON EXEMPTIONS FROM THE WORK PERMIT REQUIREMENT APPROVED BY THE HON MINISTER OF LABOUR

Council noted that exemptions from the work permit requirement have been approved in accordance with the guidelines and procedures.

Action: PS, MHA; CIO; LAB COM

ORAL MENTION

EX MIN 18/445

PUBLICATION OF MTEFP

Council noted that the PS, FIN would notify the Clerk, HoA that the MTEFP should be laid before the House at its next sitting.

Action: PS, FIN; PS, EDICTIT; PAS, FIN; DEP; BD; CL, HOA; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 18/446

COMMENDATION TO ANGUILLA AIR AND SEAPORTS AUTHORITY (AASPA)

Council commended the AASPA for a job well done during the August holidays and carnival festivities.

Action: PS, MICUHAFE; CEO, AASPA (acting); CHAIRMAN, AASPA

EX MIN 18/447

ANGLEC SHARE SALE

Council noted that due to the cost of services study, the Anglec share sale has been set back until the first quarter in 2019.

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