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MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 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 (left the meeting early)

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: Hon Jerome Roberts, Adviser to the Hon CM

Mr Foster Rogers, PS, EDICT Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN Mr Perin Bradley, TIO

Ms Mary Clare Haskins, Crown Counsel

EX MIN 12/71 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 90th Meeting held on Thursday 19th January 2012 and the Minutes of Special Meetings held on Friday 20th January, Monday 23rd January, Tuesday 31st January and Wednesday 1st February 2012.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 12/72 <u>EX MIN 12/49 EX MEM 12/23 DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS TO LOCAL</u> VENDORS OWED BY FLAG LUXURY PROPERTIES

Further to EX MIN 12/49 of 23 January 2012, HE The Governor asked the Hon Chief Minister about reports that he had tried to get the contract to pay out the cheques to local vendors transferred from Cube to Mrs Josephine Gumbs-Connor.

The Chief Minister said that he had had nothing to do with the issue. He had been telephoned by Mr Rayme Lake to say that Cube were planning to charge 10% on the cost of the payments.

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

EX MIN 12/73 EX MEM 12/30 APPROVAL TO FILL VACANT POST OF DEBT OFFICER

Messrs Foster Rogers, PS, EDICT and Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN joined the Meeting.

Council agreed that the vacant post of Debt Officer in the Ministry of FEDICT should be filled following the recent promotion of the Debt Officer to Debt Manager. Council further agreed that the post of Debt Officer should be filled effective 1 January 2012.

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

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

EX MIN 12/74 EX MEM 12/31 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION FOR FIRST STEPS FOUNDATION LEARNING CENTER AND MONTESSORI ACADEMY

PS, EDICT and PS, FIN remained for discussion.

Council agreed that duty exemption should be granted to First Steps Foundation Learning Center (c/o Ms Ingrid H. Warner) on pre-school items to be used at the institution. Council supported the request because it falls in line with eligible projects that support purchases by non-profit organisations for the purpose of investing their income in social development projects.

The estimated duty loss to the GoA is EC\$2,140.08.

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

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

EX MIN 12/75 EX MEM 12/32 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION FOR ANGUILLA ANIMAL RESCUE FOUNDATION

PS, EDICT and PS, FIN remained for discussion.

Council agreed that duty exemption should be granted to Anguilla Animal Rescue Foundation (c/o Ms Gayle Enzel) on crates. Council supported the request because it falls in line with eligible projects that support purchases by non-profit organisations for the purpose of investing their income in social development projects.

The estimated duty loss to the GoA is EC\$435.98.

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

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

EX MIN 12/77 **SIGNING OF REGULATIONS**

Council authorised HE The Governor to sign the following Regulations on Friday 3 February 2012:-

- 1) Anguilla Foundation (Amendment) Regulations, 2012
- 2) Limited Liability Company (Amendment) Regulations, 2012
- 3) Companies (Amendment) Regulations, 2012

Action: AG

EX MIN 12/78 EX MIN 12/33 EX MEM 12/13 CADAVER (IMPORT PERMIT) REGULATIONS, 2011

Further to EX MIN 12/33 of 19 January 2012, Council authorised the Hon Minister of Social Development to sign the above Regulations on Friday 3 February 2012.

Action: PS, HSD; AG

EX MIN 12/79 EX MIN 12/43 CORPORATE (STRATEGIC) PLAN FOR THE LEGAL DEPARTMENT

EX MIN 12/43 of 19 January 2012 refers.

Council agreed that:-

- (i) the Corporate (Strategic) Plan for the Legal Department was acceptable;
- (ii) Ministers of Government will continue to have further discussions among themselves;
- (iii) Council will be kept informed of the progress of the Plan.

Action: AG; MINS OF GOV'T
