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**MINUTES OF THE 28<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA**  
**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2015**

- PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms Christina Scott
- The Honourable Victor Banks, Chief Minister and Minister of Finance,  
Economic Development, Commerce, Tourism, Lands & Physical Planning
- The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Stanley Reid
- The Honourable Evans Rogers, Minister of Health and Social Development
- The Honourable Cora Richardson-Hodge, Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration,  
Labour, Environment, Human Rights, Gender Affairs, Constitutional Affairs and  
Information and Broadcasting
- The Honourable Curtis Richardson, Minister of Infrastructure, Communications,  
Utilities, Housing, Agriculture and Fisheries and Information Technology
- The Honourable Attorney General, Mr Rupert Jones
- Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council
- IN ATTENDANCE: Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary  
Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN  
Mr Foster Rogers, PS, EDICTLP  
Dr Wycliffe Fahie, PAS, FIN  
Mr Perin Bradley, Comptroller, Inland Revenue/Deputy Governor Designate  
Mrs Shona Proctor, Budget Director  
Ms Brenda Hughes, Debt Manager  
Mrs Shantelle Richardson, Director of Economic Planning  
Mrs Anthea Ipinson-Connor, Chief Project Officer  
Ms Ingrid Richardson, Debt Officer  
Ms Jamila Gumbs, Budget Officer  
Mr Leslie Hodge, DLS  
Mr Christopher Richardson, Chairman, Water Corporation of Anguilla

EX MIN 15/653

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary joined the Meeting.

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 26<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>  
November 2015.

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

EX MIN 15/654

None

EX MIN 15/656

**EX MEM 15/377 APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONERS TO THE BOARD OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council:-

- (i) noted that the term of appointment for Mr Jerome Richardson as a Commissioner and Deputy Chairman of the Public Utilities Commission ended on the 25<sup>th</sup> November 2015 and that the term of appointment for Mr Colville Petty as a Commissioner and Chairman of the Public Utilities Commission would end on the 17<sup>th</sup> December 2015;
- (ii) approved the re-appointment of Mr. Jerome Richardson as a Commissioner and Deputy Chairman of the Public Utilities Commission under Section 3(2)(a) and Section 3(3) of the Public Utilities Commission (Amendment) Act 2014 effective 25<sup>th</sup> November 2015 for a period of two years;
- (iii) approved the re-appointment of Mr Colville Petty as a Commissioner and Chairman of the Public Utilities Commission under Section 3(2)(c) and Section 3(3) of the Public Utilities Commission (Amendment) Act 2014 with effect from 17<sup>th</sup> December 2015 for a period of two years; and
- (iv) agreed to appoint Mrs. Idona R. Alord as a Commissioner of the Public Utilities Commission under Section 3(2)(b) of the Public Utilities Commission (Amendment) Act 2014 effective 17<sup>th</sup> December 2015 for a period of two years.

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

Action: PS, MICUHAFIT; EX DIR, PUC

EX MIN 15/657

**EX MEM 15/378 RENEWAL OF COMMERCIAL LEASE AGREEMENT FOR OFFICE SPACE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES AND MARINE RESOURCES**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council:-

- (i) approved the new lease Agreement with Mrs Sharon Roberts-Hodge for the Department of Fisheries and Marine Resources for an additional two years i.e. 2016 – 2018 from US\$850.00 per month to US\$1,200 per month;
- (ii) directed the MICUHAFIT and DFMR to liaise with the Attorney General's Chambers to complete the terms of the new lease Agreement; and

- (iii) authorised the PS, MICUHAFIT to sign the new lease Agreement on behalf of the Government of Anguilla.

Action: PS, MICUHAFIT; DIR, FISH; HON AG; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; BD;  
ACC GEN

EX MIN 15/658

**EX MEM 15/379 PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION'S 2014 ANNUAL REPORT**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council:-

- (i) noted the Public Utilities Commission's 2014 Annual Report;
- (ii) asked that consideration should be given to paragraphs 8 and 13 of the PUC's 2014 Annual Report respectively, as quoted below:
- a) "The GoA also needs to give priority to transferring the regulatory responsibility for electricity and renewable energy systems to the Commission". Council agreed that GoA Ministers should liaise with the PS, MICUHAFIT and that a letter should be sent to the PUC to consider this;
- b) "For consistency, the Ministry of Finance may want to consider mandating the accounting standard that should be used by all statutory bodies of the Government of Anguilla – IFRS (International Financial Reporting Standards) or IPSAS (International Public Sector Accounting Standards); and
- (iii) authorised the Hon Minister, MICUHAFIT to table the Public Utilities Commission's 2014 Annual Report at the next sitting of the Anguilla House of Assembly.

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

Action: PS, MICUHAFIT; MINS OF GOV'T; EX DIR, PUC; PS, FIN; PS,  
EDICTLP

EX MIN 15/659

**EX MEM 15/380 AWARD OF ANGUILLA ISLAND SCHOLARSHIP 2015**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council:-

- (i) confirmed Miss Kara Hughes' selection for the Anguilla Island Scholarship for 2015;
- (ii) agreed that the scholarship should be applicable to the Bachelor of Applied Science degree in Chemical Engineering/Co-operative Education

programme at the University of Ottawa in Canada, followed by the Masters in Chemical Engineering/Co-operative Education, at the University of Ottawa or the University of British Columbia in Canada;

- (iii) agreed that the scholarship should be for the duration of seven (7) years beginning September 2015;
- (iv) agreed that the scholarship should be tenable at the University of Ottawa/ University of British Columbia, Canada; and
- (v) agreed that the cost of the scholarship should not exceed EC\$600,000.00.

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

Action: PS, PA; PS, ELSYC; TRNG OFF; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; BD; ACC  
GEN; CEO

EX MIN 15/660

**EX MEM 15/381 2016 BUDGET AND MEDIUM TERM ECONOMIC AND FISCAL PLAN 2016 – 2018**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance. Mr Foster Rogers, PS, EDICTLP remained for discussion. The following persons joined the Meeting:-

Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN  
 Dr Wycliffe Fahie, PAS, FIN  
 Mr Perin Bradley, Comptroller, Inland Revenue/Deputy Governor Designate  
 Mrs Shona Proctor, Budget Director  
 Ms Brenda Hughes, Debt Manager  
 Mrs Shantelle Richardson, Director of Economic Planning  
 Mrs Anthea Ipinson-Connor, Chief Project Officer  
 Ms Ingrid Richardson, Debt Officer  
 Ms Jamila Gumbs, Budget Officer

Further to EX MIN 15/636 of 5<sup>th</sup> November 2015, Council approved the final figures for the 2016 Budget to be presented to the House of Assembly as follows:-

a)	Recurrent Revenue	-	EC\$219,871,878
b)	Recurrent Expenditure	-	EC\$202,356,816
c)	Capital Expenditure	-	EC\$26,547,800

- (i) approved the additional proposed revenue measures for implementation in 2016;
- (ii) designated the supporting activities such as the amendment and passage of new legislation to give effect to revenue measures and a Committee to drive the ANGLEC share divesture as a top priority; and

- (iii) agreed that instructions be sent to the Attorney General's Chambers for the drafting of the necessary legislation to give effect to the proposed revenue measures.

Action: PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; PAS, FIN; OTHER PERM SECS; BD; DEP;  
CPO; CIR/DG DESIGNATE

EX MIN 15/661

**EX MEM 15/382 PERMISSION TO FLY DRONE OVER CORITO LANDFILL, ANGUILLA BEACHES AND SHORELINE - SKYVIEWS INC.**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that:-

- (i) permission should be granted to Skyviews Inc. to perform over flight and visual product capture of the Corito Landfill, to be signed by the Chief Surveyor; and
- (ii) the Commissioner of Police, Anguilla Air & Sea Ports Authority and the Airport Manager should be notified of the planned operation.

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

Action: CS; PS, EDICTLP; DLS; PS, HSD; COP; CEO, AASPA; AIR MAN

EX MIN 15/662

**EX MEM 15/383 DUTY EXEMPTION FOR MR PARRIS WEBSTER**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that duty exemption should be granted to Mr Parris Webster on a Ford Bucket Truck to be used in the telecommunications industry on the grounds that acquiring capital equipment is an essential element in terms of finding a niche in a well-established industry, and that the price of capital is often prohibitive when it comes to locals who have that ambition.

The estimated duty loss to the GoA is EC\$10,080.75.

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

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

EX MIN 15/663

**EX MEM 15/384 DUTY EXEMPTION FOR SHERIVA BOUTIQUE VILLA HOTEL**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that duty exemption should be granted to Sheriva Boutique Villa Hotel (c/o Mr Sheridan Smith, owner and operator) on the attached list of items on the grounds that it is consistent with Government's policy to support local initiatives in the tourism sector.

The estimated duty loss to the GoA is EC\$57,374.92.

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

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

**ORAL MENTION**

EX MIN 15/665

**MINUTES OF BUDGET DELIVERY COMMITTEE (BDC) MEETING HELD ON 20<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2015**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council noted the Minutes of the BDC Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015 which highlighted key proposals pertaining to the budget discussions.

Action: HON DG; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; BD

EX MIN 15/666

**TELECOMMUNICATIONS SPECTRUM FEES REGULATIONS 2015**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that the matter should be deferred for clarification on the collection of fees.

Action: PS, MICUHAFIT; HON AG

EX MIN 15/667

**MEETINGS OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Ministers expressed the intention to have Meetings of the House of Assembly on the following dates, subject to communication with the Speaker:-

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| 1) | Budget Address | - | 9 December 2015       |
| 2) | Budget Debate  | - | 10 – 11 December 2015 |

Action: CLERK, HOA

EX MIN 15/668

**OVERSEAS TRAVEL**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council was informed of the following dates of overseas travel:-

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| 1) | Hon Chief Minister | - | 27 November – 7 December 2015,<br>Joint Ministerial Council Meeting,<br>UK |
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- 2) Hon Minister of Social Dev - 27 November – 7 December 2015,  
Joint Ministerial Council Meeting,  
UK

Action: EXCO MEMBERS

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