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**MINUTES OF THE 86<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA**  
**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2017**

- 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 Perin Bradley
- 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 John McKendrick QC
- Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council
- IN ATTENDANCE: Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary  
Dr Bonnie Richardson-Lake, PS, ELSYC  
Mr Bren Romney, Director, Youth & Culture  
Ms Joleyne Robin, Senior Programme Officer, Youth

EX MIN 17/58 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary joined the Meeting.

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 85<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017.

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

EX MIN 17/60 **IMMIGRATION MATTERS**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Further to EX MIN 17/57 of 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017, the Hon Attorney General updated

Council on the meeting held with the Chief Immigration Officer and other associated personnel on visa requirements for Anguilla, and additional related immigration matters.

Action: HON AG; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 17/61

**EX MEM 17/34 PROPOSED INCREASE IN PARTICIPATING STATES' CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CARIBBEAN DISASTER EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (CDEMA)**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

With reference to EX MIN 17/52 of 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017, Council:-

- (i) noted that there was no provision in the 2017 GoA Budget to facilitate the proposed increase in subscriptions to CDEMA. Anguilla should therefore let CDEMA know that it was not in a position to agree to the proposed increase in CDEMA's budget for 2017;
- (ii) agreed to keep the issue under review later in the year to inform discussions about the level of Anguilla's contribution for 2018; and
- (iii) noted with satisfaction that Anguilla was up to date with her contributions to CDEMA, but expressed concern about other participating States, that were not current with their contributions.

Action: DIR, DDM; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; BD; ACC GEN; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 17/62

**EX MEM 17/37 UK GRANT – ALLOCATION OF BALANCE TO PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council granted approval for the allocation of the balance of the UK Grant funds to support the following:-

- (i) Telecommunication Tower Project (Extension) - EC\$120,000; and
- (ii) ongoing implementation of the Fire Services Development (Fire Hall and Air Traffic Control Tower) Project (balance of funds – approximately EC\$960k).

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

Action: HE; PS, EDICTLP; PS, FIN; PS, MICUHAFIT; AIR MAN; CFO; CPO;  
BD; ACC GEN

EX MIN 17/63

**EX MEM 17/38 CREATION OF PUBLIC – PRIVATE ENTITY TO HOUSE THE ANGUILLA GET SET ENTREPRENEURIAL PROGRAMME**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance. The following persons joined the Meeting:-

Dr Bonnie Richardson-Lake, PS, ELSYC

Mr Bren Romney, Director, Youth & Culture  
 Ms Joleyne Robin, Senior Programme Officer, Youth

Council endorsed the recommendations from the Ministry of Social Development indicated below, but asked the officials to have a further discussion with lawyers and Companies Registry on the definition of the name 'Trust' (or possibly 'Foundation') to determine whether it was the most suitable title to use.

- (i) establishment of the Anguilla Youth Business Trust under the Companies Act;
- (ii) Terms of Reference/Deed for the proposed Anguilla Youth Business Trust;
- (iii) appointment of the Board of Trustees for the proposed Anguilla Youth Business Trust;
- (iv) Anguilla Youth Business Trust becoming a member of Youth Business International, and by extension Youth Business Caribbean; and
- (v) rental of additional office space for the proposed Anguilla Youth Business Trust and the Anguilla Virtual Innovation Centre.

Breakdown costs are as follows:-

Legal Registration of Anguilla Youth Business Trust, Office Space

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|---|------------------|
| Legal Registration under the Companies Act,<br>Business Licence | 1,612.92         |
| Additional rental cost per month<br>EC\$739.26                  | <u>8,871.12</u>  |
|   | <b>10,484.04</b> |

Council noted that all funds were available in the 2017 Anguilla Get Set Entrepreneurial Programme Budget.

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

Action: PS, ELSYC; DIR, Y & C; HON AG; REG COM; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP;  
 BD; CPO; ACC GEN

EX MIN 17/64

**EX MEM 17/39 CHAIRPERSON OF THE 2017 SUMMER FESTIVAL  
 INTERIM COMMITTEE AND REMUNERATION TO THE COMMITTEE**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance. PS, ELSYC and Director Y & C remained for discussion.

Council:-

- (i) agreed that Ms Countess Lisa Rey should serve as the Chairperson of the Interim Summer Festival Committee;

- (ii) approved payment to persons serving on the Committee at the approved 2017 rates effective 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017 as follows:-

|                    |   |                    |
|--------------------|---|--------------------|
| Chairperson        | - | \$500.00 per month |
| Deputy Chairperson | - | \$450.00 per month |
| Members            | - | \$300.00 per month |

- (iii) noted that the total amount required to pay the Interim Committee for a period of eight (8) months (March – October 2017) was now EC\$26,000.00 as opposed to EC\$16,200.00 agreed in EX MIN 17/30 of 26<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

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

Action: PS, ELSYC; DIR, Y & C; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; BD; ACC GEN; HON  
AG

EX MIN 17/65

**EX MEM 17/40 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION FOR DERICK RICHARDSON**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that duty exemption should be granted to Xtreme Fitness Club (c/o Mr Derick M. Richardson) on the attached list of goods to be used for the construction of phase II of an Arts and Fitness facility.

The estimated duty loss to the GoA is EC\$45,520.40.

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

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

EX MIN 17/66

**EX MEM 17/41 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION FOR TROPICAL TREATS**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that duty exemption should be granted to Tropical Treats (c/o Mr Kyle Hodge) on the attached list of items.

Council noted that the last duty exemption renewal for Tropical Treats had expired on 27 January 2016. Council reiterated the urgent need to have a Manufacturing Policy in place.

The estimated duty loss to the GoA is US\$75,957.00.

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

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

EX MIN 17/67

**EX MEM 17/42 APPLICATION FOR DUTY EXEMPTION FOR RESULTS DRIVEN FITNESS CENTRE**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that duty exemption should be granted to Results Driven Fitness Centre (c/o Mr Duquaine Brooks) on the attached list of goods to be used for enhancing his Health and Fitness Centre.

The estimated duty loss to the GoA is EC\$31,106.32.

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

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

EX MIN 17/68

**EX MEM 17/43 PAYMENT OF DEFERRED SALARY – MRS A**

*[note on publication: name redacted to protect personal health information]*

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that Mrs A, who is employed at H M Prison should be paid her deferred salary in the sum of EC\$14,368.10 to assist her with costs associated with her medical condition.

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

Action: SOP; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; ACC GEN

EX MIN 17/69

**EX MEM 17/44 PAYMENT OF DEFERRED SALARY – MR B**

*[note on publication: name redacted to protect personal health information]*

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that Mr B, who is employed in the Anguilla Fire & Rescue Service should be paid his deferred salary in the sum of EC\$44,203.09 to assist him with the expenses associated with his mother's medical condition.

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

Action: CFO; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; ACC GEN

EX MIN 17/70

**EX MEM 17/45 PAYMENT OF DEFERRED SALARY – MR C**

*[note on publication: name redacted to protect personal health information]*

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that Mr C, who is employed in the Royal Anguilla Police Force should be paid his deferred salary in the sum of EC\$17,849.10 to assist him with costs associated with his medical condition.

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

Action: COP; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; ACC GEN

EX MIN 17/71

**EX MEM 17/46 PAYMENT OF DEFERRED SALARY – MS D**

*[note on publication: name redacted to protect personal health information]*

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that Ms D, who is employed in the Royal Anguilla Police Force should be paid her deferred salary in the sum of EC\$15,837.73 to assist her with costs associated with her medical condition.

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

Action: COP; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; ACC GEN

EX MIN 17/72

**EX MEM 17/47 PAYMENT OF DEFERRED SALARY – MS E**

*[note on publication: name redacted to protect personal health information]*

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that Ms E, who is employed in the Immigration Department should be paid her deferred salary in the sum of EC\$11,003.20 to assist her with costs associated with her medical condition.

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

Action: CIO; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; ACC GEN

EX MIN 17/73

**EX MEM 17/48 VIDEO LINK TRIAL: COP V STEPHEN HUGHES**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed with the assessment by the Commissioner of Police and Attorney General that the facilities for the giving of video evidence are suitable in the case of CoP v Stephen Hughes.

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

Action: HON AG; MAGISTRATE; COP

**ORAL MENTION**

EX MIN 17/74

**CONTRACT FOR WATER CORPORATION OF ANGUILLA (WCA)**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council noted the intention of the Water Corporation of Anguilla (WCA) to replace the current operator of the desalination plant at Crocus Bay. Council agreed that the WCA should use a procurement process in accordance with Section 48A of the Public Procurement and Contract Administration Act.

Action: PS, MICUHAFIT; PAS, FIN; CHIEF PROC OFF; CEO, WCA (Ag.); HON AG; HON MIN, MICUHAFIT

EX MIN 17/75

**OVERSEAS TRAVEL**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council was informed of the following dates of travel:-

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| 1) | Hon Chief Minister         | - | Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> to Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2017, Aruba, European Union OCT Meeting             |
|    | “ “                        | - | Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2017, St. Kitts & Antigua, ECCB & OECS Meetings |
| 2) | Hon Minister, Home Affairs | - | Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> to Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2017, Jamaica, ILO Conference                         |
| 3) | H E The Governor           | - | Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> to Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2017, annual leave                                  |

Action: EXCO MEMBERS

EX MIN 17/76

**UPDATE BY HON CHIEF MINISTER ON UK VISIT**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

The Hon Chief Minister updated Council on his recent trip to the UK for a Joint Ministerial Council with UK Ministers to discuss the implications of the UK's planned exit from the European Union (Brexit) on the Overseas Territories. The CM stated that the Overseas Territories were satisfied with the talks in general. The next Joint Ministerial Council to discuss Brexit would take place on 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> June 2017. The CM also stated that he held meetings with the Anguillian community in the UK on a wide range of issues.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS

EX MIN 17/77

**MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council agreed that due to the National Holiday (James Ronald Webster Day) on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2017 that the regular meeting of Executive Council should be held on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017 at 9:00 am instead.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS

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