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# <u>MINUTES OF THE 18<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE THIRTEENTH ANGUILLA</u> <u>EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2025 AT 10.00 AM</u>

PRESENT: Acting Governor, Mr. Perin Bradley

The Honourbale Premier and Minister of Finance, Labour, Immigration, Home Affairs and Constitutional Affairs, Mrs. Cora Richardson-Hodge

Acting Deputy Governor, Mr. Karim Hodge

The Honourable Minister of Economic Development, Industry, Commerce, Lands, Planning, Water and Natural Resources, Mr. Kyle Hodge

The Honourable Minister of Health, Tourism and Sports, Mr. Cardigan Connor

The Honourable Minister of Social Development, Education & Library, Youth and Culture, Mrs. Shellya Rogers-Webster

The Honourable Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, IT and E-Government Services, Mr. Jose Vanterpool

Clerk to Executive Council, Ms. Dumisa Webster

ABSENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms. Julia Crouch

Acting Attorney General, Mr. Ivor Greene

IN ATTENDANCE: Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Mr. Evans McNiel Rogers

Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture, Mr. Jeison Bryan

### EX MIN 25/163 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health and Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture remained.

Council confirmed the minutes of the 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Executive Council held on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

# MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

With reference to Ex Min 25/162, it was noted that the emergency procurement process for the national CCTV project continues to progress further with completion expected in short order.

# EX MIN 25/164 EX MEMO 25/127 Approval of the Goods and Services (Amendment) Act, 2025, the Goods and Services (Amendment) Regulations, 2025

Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health and Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture remained.

The Honourable Premier briefed Council on the memorandum which seeks approval of the Good and Services (Amendment) Act, 2025 and the Goods and Services (Amendment) Regulations, 2025. These legislative pieces, inter alia, remove Goods and Services Tax (GST) on food items where not sold as part of a service, except for alcohol and confectionery, remove GST on public entertainment which is not regularly or continuously held and address other ancillary issues.

Executive Council:

- Approved the Goods and Services (Amendment) Act, 2025 with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2025; and
- Approved the Goods and Services (Amendment) Regulations, 2025, with effect from its commencement on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2024 to 1<sup>st</sup> August 2025.

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

Action: PAS, FIN; PS, FIN; HON PREM; HON AG.

# EX MIN 25/165 EX MEMO 25/128 Application for Issue of Licence under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act- [Redacted Text] -Registration Section East Central, Block 89319 B, Parcel 193 being 0.50 of an acre located in Island Harbour Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health and Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture remained.

The Honourable Minister briefed Council on the application for an Aliens Land Holding Licence. Executive Council approved the granting of an Aliens Land Holding Licence to [Redacted Text] to hold property situated in Registration Section: East Central, Block 89319B, described as Parcel 193 being 0.50 of an acre of land, dwelling house thereon, located in Island Harbour for residential purposes, subject to:

(a) Payment of the following:

- (i) under the Stamp Act 5% of EC\$12,408,731.20 EC\$620,436.56
- (ii) under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 5% of EC\$12,408,731.20
  EC\$620,436.56

# TOTAL

# EC\$1,240,873.12

- (b) The property must be used for residential purposes.
- (c) The Licencee must not rent their dwelling house without first notifying the Ministry of Economic Development, Investment, Commerce, Information Technology & Natural Resources in order to rent the said property.
- (d) The Licencee shall fully comply with the laws of Anguilla enforced from time to time including the Land Development Control Act, the Property Tax Act, the Building Regulations, the Labour Relations Act 2018 and Work Permit Regulations 2023, the Social Security Act, the Immigration and Passport Regulations and any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof and any rules or regulations made there under.

(e) Any breach of any of the conditions of this Licence shall result in all the estate and interest of the Licensee in the land being liable for forfeiture to the Crown.

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

Action: DLS; PS, HA; HON MIN, MEDICPNR.

# EX MIN 25/166 EX MEMO 25/129 Revision of the Passenger Services Fess Regulations

Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health and Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture remained.

The Honourable Minister briefed Council on the memorandum which seeks approval for amendment to the Passenger Service Fees Regulations. This amendment is intended to align Anguilla's procedures with the international standards and best practices under the International Air Transport Association.

Executive Council:

- Instructed the Honourable Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, I.T and E-Services to provide Council with an e-mail outlining the financial implications of the decisions proposed in the memorandum presented to Council;
- Noted that the Honourable Minister will query the collection of a security fee for air passengers with the Anguilla Air and Sea Ports Authority and revert to Council;
- Subject to point 1. and 2. above, approved the drafting instructions for the revision of the Passenger Service Fee (Amendment) Regulations, 2021 to include:
  - a) Children 13 years or older, and Adults will pay a passenger fee of EC\$67.00/US\$25.00; and
  - b) Children 2 years old to 12 years old will pay a fee of EC\$32.00/US\$12.00;

- 4. Approved the inclusion of the fees on airline tickets sold by the International Air Transport Association airlines; and
- Approved the exemption of fees for passengers under 2 years old in section 2(3) of the Passenger Service Fee Regulations.

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

Action: PS, MICUHITES; HON MIN, MICUHITES.

## EX MIN 25/167 EX MEMO 25/130 2025 Statutory Body Budgets- Anguilla Air and Sea Ports Authority Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health and Ministerial Assistant for

Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health and Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture remained.

The Honourable Minister briefed Council on the memorandum which outlines the budget for the 2025 Anguilla Air and Sea Ports Authority.

Executive Council:

- 1. Noted and approved the planned 2025 budget of the Anguilla Air and Sea Ports Authority ("AASPA");
- Recommended that AASPA continue building reserves, particularly the Expansion Reserve fund in accordance with Section 22 of the AASPA Act. This will enable the Authority to self-fund further capital expansion and maintenance programs;
- Recommended that AASPA maintain a proactive approach to managing accounts receivables by implementing targeted strategies to enhance collection efficiency and further reduce outstanding balances;
- 4. Instructed review of the relevant legislation to clarify roles and responsibilities of AASPA and the Maritime Unit to avoid any conflicts; and
- 5. Emphasised the requirement for AASPA to submit their quarterly reports no later than one month after the conclusion of each quarter to the Ministry of Finance to ensure compliance with statutory obligations.

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

Action: PAS, FIN; PS, FIN; PS, MICUHITES; HON MIN, MICUHITES; HON PREM.

EX MIN 25/168 EX MEMO 25/131 Appointment of a Public Officer to Attend the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Anguilla Electricity Company (ANGLEC)

Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health and Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture remained.

The Honourable Minister briefed Council on the memorandum which seeks Council's approval of the appointment of a Public Officer(s) to vote the Government of Anguilla Shares at the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of ANGLEC.

Executive Council:

- Directed that the Honourable Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, I.T. and E-Services ("ICUHITES") nominate the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of ICUHITES (Ag.)/ Director of Public Utilities Travis Carty to attend and act for and on behalf of the Government of Anguilla at the Meeting of the Shareholders of the Anguilla Electricity Company (ANGLEC) to be held on 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2025;
- Instructed that in the event that the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of ICUHITES (Ag.)/Director Public Utilities Travis Carty is unable to attend the meeting, the Minister is to nominate the Principal Assistant Secretary Finance (Ag.) – Ludianne Richardson to attend the meeting as an alternate;
- Noted that the number of shares being voted is 4,636,147 (40%);
- 4. Noted that the shared upon which the Government of Anguilla votes will be cast are Ordinary Shares;
- 5. Approved the reappointment of the directors to the Board of Directors of ANGLEC as seen in the table below:

Board of Directors ANGLEC	
Name	Position
David Carty	Director
Sharon Hunte	Director
Stanley Reid	Director

6. Approved the Proxy attached to the memorandum presented to Council.

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

Action: PS, MICUHITES; HON MIN, MICUHITES.

#### ORAL MENTIONS

EX MIN 25/169 Priority Training Needs within the Public Service and Award of Academic Scholarships

Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health and Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture remained.

The Honourable Minister of Education led a discussion on the current list of approved academic scholarships and priority training needs.

Executive Council noted that some scholarship areas were underutilised and were reminded to reconsider the current priority training needs.

Action: EXCO CLK; EXCO MEMBERS.

EX MIN 25/170 Usage of Anguilla's Nautical Miles for an Exclusive Economic Zone Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health and Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture remained.

A discussion was held on the potential usage of Anguilla's nautical miles for an exclusive economic zone.

Executive Council:

- Instructed the Ministry of Economic Development and the Maritime Unit to begin the process of establishing an exclusive economic zone which will allow for commercial use of Anguilla's nautical miles;
- 2. Noted that special buoys with lights were acquired by MICUHITES and instructed installation of the same for safety in key areas in Anguilla's waters.

Action: PS, MICUHITES; HON MIN MICUHITES; PS, MEDICPNR; HON MIN, MEDICPNR.

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