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MINUTES OF THE 128TH MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 8TH FEBRUARY 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 Acting Attorney General, Mr Ivor Greene
- Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council
- IN ATTENDANCE: Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary
Mrs Evalie Bradley, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA
Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN
Mrs Shantelle Richardson, Director of Economic Planning
Mrs Shona Proctor, Budget Director
Ms Jamila Gumbs, Budget Officer
Mrs Anthea Ipinson-Connor, Chief Project Officer
Mr Karim Hodge, PS, MICUH
Mr Bancroft Battick, Chief Engineer, DICUH
Mr Charles Moore, Post Hurricane Projects Liaison Officer, Governor's Office
- ABSENT: The Honourable Attorney General, Mr John McKendrick QC

EX MIN 18/75

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary and Mrs Evalie Bradley, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA joined the Meeting.

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 127th Meeting and the Minutes of the NCBA SCM held on Thursday 1st February 2018.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 18/76

EX MIN 18/60 DISCUSSION WITH ST. MAARTEN CONCERNING ACCESS TO ANGUILLA

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

With reference to EX MIN 18/60 of 1st February 2018, H E The Governor undertook to have an informal chat with the Minister in St. Maarten on this.

Action: H E; HON CM; PARL SEC; OTHER MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 18/77

EX MIN 18/61 CONSTITUTIONAL & ELECTORAL REFORM

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Further to EX MIN 18/61 of 1st February 2018, the Hon Deputy Governor reported that there was an issue with termites at the building, but the relevant persons were working together to get the building fit for purpose.

The Hon Minister, MHA said that she would speak to the Hon Attorney General on his return to office concerning the electoral legislation.

Action: HON DG; HON AG; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 18/78

EX MEM 18/46 REDUCTION OF GOVERNMENT OF ANGUILLA PAYMENT ARREARS

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance. The following persons joined the Meeting:-

Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN
Mrs Shantelle Richardson, Director of Economic Planning
Mrs Shona Proctor, Budget Director
Ms Jamila Gumbs, Budget Officer

Council:-

- (i) noted the request for the GoA to pay off part of its payment arrears with part proceeds of the Policy Based Loan from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB); and
- (ii) agreed that the GoA should repay EC\$17 million of these arrears, with part proceeds of the EC\$52 million Policy Based Loan from the CDB as follows:-

Anguilla Social Security Board:	\$4.10
Health Authority:	4.28

Water Corp:	3.62
Civil Servants Deferred Salaries:	5.00
Total	\$17.00 million

Council additionally noted that the 2018 Recurrent Expenditure Budget Estimate would increase to **EC\$224,886,994** and the amount to cover the arrears would be placed under the Ministry of Finance Budget.

H E The Governor asked the officials:-

- (i) to be mindful that CDB had to agree to the release of the EC\$52m and that these funds were not yet readily available;
- (ii) to note that the increase on the 2018 Estimates of Recurrent Expenditure would mean that they would not be able to pay down on the overdraft; and
- (iii) to recognise that the NCBA issue has pinned down the Ministry's capacity to get things accomplished.

The Governor commended the officials for understanding the importance of taking control of the arrears. He encouraged them to collect all the revenue they could as quickly as possible.

Action: PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; PAS, FIN; BD; DEP; CPO; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 18/79

EX MEM 18/47 CONSULTATION ON UK MEMBERSHIP OF THE INTERNATIONAL SOLAR ALLIANCE

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Council:-

- (i) approved the proposed UK membership to International Solar Alliance (ISA); and
- (ii) confirmed that Anguilla had no objection to UK membership in International Solar Alliance (ISA) and supported such.

Council noted the point made that, although the UK is a member state, this does not prevent Anguilla from articulating its own initiatives on a number of issues.

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

Action: PS, MICUH; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; PAS, FIN; HON AG; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 18/80

EX MEM 18/48 APPLICATION FOR ISSUE OF LICENCE UNDER THE ALIENS LAND HOLDING REGULATION ACT – MARK HAROLD NORDENSON AND MOIRA SIMONDS – REGISTRATION SECTION SOUTH CENTRAL, BLOCK 38512 B, PARCEL 158, CONTAINING 0.25 OF AN ACRE

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Council agreed that an Aliens Land Holding Licence should be issued to Mark Harold Nordenson and Moira Simonds to hold property described as Registration Section South Central, Block 38512 B, Parcel 158, South Hill, Anguilla for residential purposes with a dwelling house thereon, subject to the following:-

(a) payment of the following stamp duties:-

(i)	under the Stamp Act – 5% of EC\$881,729.60	EC\$44,086.48
(ii)	under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 5% of EC\$881,729.60	EC\$44,086.48
	TOTAL	EC\$88,172.96

(b) with the expressed condition that the land is to be used for residential purposes and that the Licencees must not rent their dwelling house without first notifying the Ministry of Lands.

Action: PS, HLP; DLS; PS, FIN

EX MIN 18/81

EX MEM 18/49 EXEMPTION FROM THE WORK PERMIT REQUIREMENT

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance.

Council noted a request from Ani Villas Anguilla for exemption for eight (8) woodwork installation specialist carpenters, who reside in the Dominican Republic, to be employed in restoring the damage that Ani Villas sustained as a result of the passage of Hurricane Irma in September 2017.

Council agreed that the persons on the attached list should be exempted from the work permit requirement in accordance with Section 3 (g) of the Control of Employment Act.

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

Action: PS, MHA; LAB COM (Acting); CIO

EX MIN 18/82

EX MEM 18/50 DRAFT MEDIUM-TERM ECONOMIC AND FISCAL PLAN 2018-2020

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance. The following persons remained for discussion:-

Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN
Mrs Shantelle Richardson, Director of Economic Planning
Mrs Shona Proctor, Budget Director
Ms Jamila Gumbs, Budget Officer

Council:-

- (i) noted and approved the proposed Medium-term Economic and Fiscal Plan (MTEFP); and
- (ii) authorised the MFEDICT to share the draft MTEFP with UK Officials for review and comments.

Action: PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; PAS, FIN; BD; DEP; CPO; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 18/83

EX MEM 18/51 CAPITAL INVESTMENT PLAN 2018 – 2020

Hon Parliamentary Secretary and Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA remained in attendance. PS, FIN, DEP, BD and BO remained for discussion. The following persons joined the Meeting:-

Mrs Anthea Ipinson-Connor, Chief Project Officer
Mr Karim Hodge, PS, MICUH
Mr Bancroft Battick, Chief Engineer, DICUH
Mr Charles Moore, Post Hurricane Projects Liaison Officer, Governor's Office

Further to EX MIN 18/54 of 25th January 2018, Council:-

- (i) reviewed the indicative budget, and the list of capital projects for inclusion in the Capital Investment Plan 2018 – 2020; and
- (ii) directed that the project prioritisations and timelines for implementation be finalised.

Council noted previous delays of projects due to the tardiness of the Procurement Board to engage contractors. Council agreed that a Procurement Committee should be put in place, and authorised the Hon Deputy Governor and the PS, FIN to work together to bolster the committee to deliver on time and within the budget.

Action: PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; PAS, FIN; BD; DEP; CPO; MINS OF GOV'T
