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MINUTES OF THE 220TH MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY 2020
AT 9:00 AM

- PRESENT: His Excellency The Governor, Mr Timothy Foy, OBE
- The Honourable Premier and Minister of Finance, Economic Development, Commerce, Tourism and Information Technology, Mr Victor Banks
- The Honourable Deputy Governor (acting), Mr Karim Hodge
- The Honourable Minister of Health and Social Development, Lands and Physical Planning, Mr Evans Rogers
- The Honourable Minister of Home Affairs and Education, Mrs Cora Richardson-Hodge
- The Honourable Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, Agriculture, Fisheries and Environment, Mr Curtis Richardson
- The Honourable Attorney General, Mr Dwight Horsford
- Clerk to Executive Council, Mrs Jewelle Fleming, MBE
- IN ATTENDANCE: Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Mr Cardigan Connor
Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA, Mrs Evalie Bradley
Financial Specialist, Mr Stephen Turnbull
PS, Home Affairs & Education, Mrs Chanelle Petty Barrett
Director, Lands & Surveys, Mr Leslie Hodge
PS, Finance, Dr Aidan Harrigan
Comptroller of Customs, Mr Travis Carty
Compliance Manager, Ms Marisa Harding-Hodge
PS, Economic Development, Investment & Commerce, Mr Larry Franklin
Chief Executive Officer, Anguilla Air & Sea Ports Authority, Mr Sherman Williams
Chairperson, Anguilla Air & Sea Ports Authority, Mr Fabian M. Fahie
Chief Project Officer, Mrs Anthea Ipinson-Connor
SER Legal & Consultancy Services, Mr Stanley Reid
- ABSENT: The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Perin Bradley

EX MIN 20/54

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained.

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 219th Meeting held on Thursday 6 February 2020.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

EX MIN 20/55

AMENDMENTS TO ELECTIONS ACT

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained. PS, MHA/ED, Mrs Chanelle Petty Barrett joined.

Council agreed that:

- (i) section 3 21A and section 56A (5) of the Elections (Amendment) Act, 2020 be amended as approved. PS, MHA/ED should discuss with the Parliamentary Counsel revised language pertaining to Section 95 (2) of the Act;
- (ii) after the amendments have been made, the document should be posted on the GoA's website; and
- (iii) there be a Special Meeting on Monday 17 February at 9:00 am to review and finalise the Elections Act.

Council thanked the PS, MHA and Ms Keri Horsford, Parliamentary Counsel, Attorney General's Chambers for their hard work on this matter.

Action: PS, MHA/IMM; HON AG; PC; SOE; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 20/57

EX MEM 20/34 APPROVAL OF THE INTERIM GOODS TAX (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2020, THE EXCISE TAX (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2020, THE CUSTOMS SERVICE FEE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2020 AND THE INTEGRATED CUSTOMS TARIFF (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2020

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained. The following persons joined:

PS, Finance, Dr Aidan Harrigan
Comptroller of Customs, Mr Travis Carty
Compliance Manager, Ms Marisa Harding-Hodge

Council approved the:

- (i) Interim Goods Tax (Amendment) Act to delete the savings provision in section 8 (2) and to permit the House of Assembly to reduce IGT or exempt goods of specified persons;

- (ii) Integrated Customs Tariff (Amendment) Regulations, 2020 to correct the rates for Fuel, Diesel, Alcohol, Liqueurs and Rum;
- (iii) Excise Tax (Amendment) Act, 2020 to insert a provision to permit the House of Assembly to reduce or exempt excise tax on excisable goods of specified persons; and
- (iv) Customs Service Fee (Amendment) ACT, 2020 to provide that a Customs Service Fee is not imposed on goods that are relieved of duty under sections 76 or section 77 of the Customs Act R.S.A. c. C169.

Council thanked Ms Keri Horsford, Parliamentary Counsel in the Attorney General's Chambers for her great work on this.

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

Action: PS, FIN; HON AG; PC; PS, EDICTIT; CIR; COC; COM MAN; ACC GEN

EX MIN 20/59

EX MEM 20/36 APPLICATION FOR ISSUE OF LICENCE UNDER THE ALIENS LAND HOLDING REGULATION ACT – ANNE STEPHANIE MEYERS – REGISTRATION SECTION EAST END, BLOCK 99516 B, PARCEL 89 CONTAINING 0.43 ACRE

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA, Financial Specialist and DLS remained.

Council agreed to issue an Aliens Land Holding Licence to Anne Stephanie Meyers to hold property situated in Registration Section East End, Block 99516 B, described as Parcel 89 located at Sile Bay, Anguilla for residential purposes with a house thereon, subject to the following:

- (a) stamp duties payable are as follows:

(i)	under the Stamp Act – 5% of EC\$1,397,864.00	EC\$ 69,893.20
(ii)	under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act – 5% of EC\$1,397,864.00	<u>EC\$ 69,893.20</u>
	TOTAL	<u>EC\$139,786.40</u>
- (b) with the expressed condition that the land is to be used for residential purposes and that the Licencee must not rent her dwelling house without first notifying the Ministry of Lands.

Action: PS, HLPP; DLS; PS, FIN

EX MIN 20/60

EX MEM 20/37 APPLICATION FOR ISSUE OF LICENCE UNDER THE ALIENS LAND HOLDING REGULATION ACT – HEATHER M. BURTON AND TAMMIE SUE YOUNGEN – REGISTRATION SECTION SOUTH EAST, BLOCK 79214 B, PARCEL 202 SL A7 CONTAINING 866 SQ. FT.

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA, Financial Specialist and DLS remained.

Council agreed to issue an Aliens Land Holding Licence to Heather M. Burton and Tammie Sue Youngen, to hold, on a freehold basis, land situated in Registration Section South East, Block 79214 B, described as Parcel 201 Strata Lot SL A7, consisting 866 sq. ft. with dwelling house thereon located in Sandy Hill for private residential purposes, subject to:

- (a) payment of the following stamp duties:
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| (i) | under the Stamp Act – 5%
of EC\$443,553.00 | EC\$22,177.65 |
| (ii) | under the Aliens Land Holding
Regulation Act – 5% of
EC\$443,553.00 | <u>EC\$22,177.65</u> |
| | TOTAL | <u>EC\$44,355.30</u> |
- (b) Sandy Hill Beach Resort Club Development should be the exclusive renting agent for the villa;
- (c) the Licensees should be required to enter into an agreement with Sandy Hill Beach Resort Club Development for the management and use of the villa for at least forty-four (44) weeks in each calendar year; and
- (d) the licensees shall have the right to reside in the villa for a maximum of eight (8) weeks in each calendar year without being liable for the payment of accommodation tax. However, if the applicants wish to live in their villa for a period longer than eight (8) weeks, then they should be required to pay the accommodation tax.

Action: PS, HLPP; DLS; PS, FIN

ORAL MENTION

EX MIN 20/61

OVERSEAS TRAVEL

Hon Parliamentary Secretary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA and Financial Specialist remained.

The Hon Premier informed Council that he would be off island from Wednesday 12 February to Saturday 15 February attending ECCB and OECS Monetary Council Meetings in St. Kitts.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS
