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**MINUTES OF THE 100<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE TENTH ANGUILLA**  
**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2012**

PRESENT: His Excellency the Governor, Mr Alistair Harrison

The Honourable Hubert Hughes, Chief Minister and Minister of Finance,  
Economic Development, Investment, Commerce and Tourism

The Honourable Acting Deputy Governor, Mr Larry Franklin

The Honourable Edison Baird, Minister of Social Development, Health, Sports  
and Education

The Honourable Walcott Richardson, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Lands,  
Physical Planning, Human Rights, Environment, Gender Affairs and Agriculture  
and Fisheries

The Honourable Evan Gumbs, Minister of Infrastructure, Communications,  
Utilities and Housing

Mr Ivor Greene, Honourable Acting Attorney General

Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council

IN ATTENDANCE: Hon Jerome Roberts, Adviser to the Hon CM  
Mr Foster Rogers, PS, EDICT  
Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN  
Mr Perin Bradley, TIO  
Ms Aurjul Wilson, PS, MHA/LANDS  
Ms Mary Clare Haskins, Crown Counsel  
Mr Gifford Connor, DLS

ABSENT: The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Stanley Reid

The Honourable Attorney General, Mr James Wood

EX MIN 12/232

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 98<sup>th</sup> and 99<sup>th</sup> Meetings held on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012 and Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2012 respectively.

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

EX MIN 12/233

**EX MIN 12/205 LETTER FROM REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ANGUILLA EVANGELICAL ASSOCIATION AND PRESIDENT, ANGUILLA CHRISTIAN COUNCIL**

EX MIN 12/205 of 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012 refers.

HE The Governor informed Council that he had spoken to Pastor Gerard Gumbs who indicated that a lot had transpired with the Committee since the letter of 12<sup>th</sup> March 2012 and that the reply from the Hon Chief Minister was not a priority.

Action: HE; HON CM

EX MIN 12/234

**EX MIN 12/210 EX MEM 12/89 HOSTING OF CXC SEC AND COUNCIL MEETINGS IN DECEMBER 2012**

Further to EX MIN 12/210 of 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012, Council noted that the Hon Minister of Education did not have to speak to the Anguilla Air and Sea Ports Port Authority (AASPA) concerning exemption from the Departure Tax for delegates at the above meetings because that tax is the responsibility of the Ministry of FEDICT and not the AASPA.

Action: PS, ELSYC; PS, MICUH; CIR; COC

**OUTSTANDING ITEM FOR EXCO**

1. EX MIN 08/761 IMMIGRATION AND LABOUR POLICY  
of 11 December 2008

Action: PS, MHA; AG

EX MIN 12/236

**EX MEM 12/100 ABOLISHING METAL RECYCLING OPERATIONS**

Council agreed to an urgent review of the licensing system of the metal recycling business. To this effect, Council agreed the following press release:-

This statement is issued on behalf of EXCO following its meeting on 12 April:

“Executive Council discussed on 12 April the recent spate of thefts of metal and metal products in Anguilla.

EXCO has decided to institute an immediate moratorium on the export of scrap metal and urgently to review the metal re-cycling business in Anguilla. It has tasked the Ministry of Finance, together with the RAPF and the Customs Dept, to report to EXCO on 19 April on how best to curb the illegal export of metal which may be contributing to the spate of thefts. In particular, EXCO intends to:

- (1) Review the arrangements for licensing metal re-cycling businesses, including establishing the number of licences already issued;

- (2) Consider how best to deal with any illegal metal re-cycling operations on the island;
- (3) Review the procedures for exporting scrap metal, including storage before export, to ensure that Customs are able to observe the packing and to seal all containers and thereby ensure that no illegally acquired metal is included in any shipment.”

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

Action: PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; COP; COC; PS, MICUH

EX MIN 12/237

**EX MEM 12/101 AUDITING OF PROCEDURES, PROCESSES AND OUTCOMES BY THE INTERNAL AUDIT DEPARTMENT IN RELATION TO PROJECTS FUNDED BY CCRIF FUNDS**

EX MIN 12/225 of 4<sup>th</sup> April 2012 refers.

Council agreed that:-

- (i) in an effort to ensure that CCRIF funded projects meet the highest standards of integrity, equity, transparency, accountability and value for money that a directive be given to the Internal Audit Department to conduct an audit of the expenditure to date of the CCRIF funded projects;
- (ii) the audit should cover the implementing agencies namely the Ministry of ICUH and the Department of Public Administration and will also address whether there has been any attempts to interfere with the tendering processes;
- (iii) the audit should find out the names of people who were awarded contracts, regardless of size or class.

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

Action: DIR, INT AUD; PS, MICUH; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; HON CM

EX MIN 12/238

**EX MEM 12/102 REPLACEMENT OF PROPOSED APPOINTEE TO BOARD OF ANGUILLA AIR AND SEA PORTS AUTHORITY**

The Hon Minister of Social Development excused himself from the discussion because of a pending court case between him and Mr Lyndon Duncan.

Further to EX MIN 12/197 of 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2012, Council noted that Mr Benjamin Ruan had indicated that he was not interested in serving on the Board.

Council agreed that Mr Lyndon Duncan should replace Mr Ruan as a member of the Board of the Anguilla Air and Sea Ports Authority for a three (3) year period effective 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012. Council further noted that Mr Duncan will serve in the area of Public Relations.

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

Action: PS, MICUH; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; ACC GEN

EX MIN 12/239

**EX MEM 12/103 EXCHANGE OF CROWN LANDS BLOCK: 28010B 71 WEST END – ORIANA M. CONNOR SECTION: WEST END BLOCK: 17810B PARCEL 150**

PS, MHA/LANDS remained for discussion.

Further to EX MIN 12/168 of 16<sup>th</sup> March 2012, Council approved the exchange of Crown lands registered as Section: West End Block 28010B Parcel 71 (1.10 acres), and land registered as Section: West End Block 17810B Parcel 150 (1.10 acres) owned by Oriana M. Connor for the purpose of constructing a recreation and sports facility in the West End community.

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

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; DLS; PS, ELSYC

EX MIN 12/240

**EX MEM 12/104 EXEMPTION FROM THE WORK PERMIT REQUIREMENT FOR A MUSICAL BAND: PAT ROSS, BENJAX AND THE LITEZ OUT BAND**

PS, MHA/LANDS remained for discussion.

Council agreed that the members of the musical band who took part in the Festival Del Mar 2012 should be exempted from the requirement of a Work Permit 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/LANDS; PAS, MHA; LAB COM; CIO

EX MIN 12/241

**EX MEM 12/105 WORK PERMIT APPLICATION REFUSAL**

PS, MHA/LANDS remained for discussion.

The Hon Minister, Home Affairs, after consultation with the Executive Council and in accordance with Section 4 (1) of the Control of Employment Act, was not inclined to approve the following:-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Employer</u>	<u>Position</u>
Tomas Mejia	Dom. Republic	D & J Tech. Services	Gardener
Steve Anthony Powell	St. Kitts	D & J Tech. Services	Mason
Orlando Valdez Mieses	Dom. Republic	D & J Tech. Services	Labourer
Victor A. Castro Villanueva	Dom. Republic	D & J Tech. Services	Gardener
Valdez Alberto	Dom. Republic	D & J Tech. Services	Labourer

Wilfred Labourer	Alexander	Duncan	Guyana	D & J Tech Services
Austin Joseph Esprit		Dominica	D & J Tech Services	Labourer
Simon Anthony (Jr)		Dominica	Sunset Homes	Carpenter
Deibi Ortiz Cruz		Dom. Republic	Jose Valera	Labourer

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

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; LAB COM; CIO

**ORAL MENTION**

EX MIN 12/242

**OBSERVANCE OF PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**

The Hon Minister, Home Affairs indicated in the Meeting of Executive Council on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2012 that he will bring a paper to Executive Council with proposals on the observance of public holidays in Anguilla for consideration.

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PAS, MHA

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