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MINUTES OF THE 217TH MEETING OF THE TENTH ANGUILLA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2014

PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms Christina Scott

The Honourable Hubert Hughes, Chief Minister and Minister of Finance,
Economic Development, Investment, Commerce and Tourism and Minister
of Labour and Immigration and Minister of Social Development and Health

The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Stanley Reid

The Honourable Jerome Roberts, Minister of Lands, Physical Planning, Human
Rights, Environment, Gender Affairs and Agriculture and Fisheries and Minister
of Education, Library Services, Sports, Youth and Culture

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

Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Rudolph Proctor, Commissioner of Police
Ms Alice Proctor, Deputy Commissioner of Police
Mr Elliott Forbes, Superintendent of Police
Mr Gene Pestania, Principal Crown Counsel, Attorney General's Chambers

ABSENT: The Honourable Attorney General, Mr Rupert Jones

EX MIN 14/712 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Council confirmed the Minutes of a Special Meeting held on Wednesday 5th
November 2014 and the Minutes of the 216th Meeting held on Thursday 6th
November 2014.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 14/713 **EX MIN 14/708 MEETING OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**

Further to EX MIN 14/708 of 6th November 2014, Council confirmed the
following dates for the Meetings of the House of Assembly:-

- a) Friday 12th December - Budget presentation
- b) Wednesday 17th December - Debate

Action: CLERK, HOA

EX MIN 14/714

EX MEM 14/412 VACANCIES IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE

Council:-

- (i) noted that the following posts had become vacant:-
 - a) Assistant Comptroller Inland Revenue (Revenue Operations) (holder of this post has recently retired from the Anguilla Public Service);
- (ii) b) Compliance Manager (previous holder of this post has been transferred on promotion);
- (iii) Council noted that the views of the Permanent Secretaries had been sought in relation to the filling of the post and that a favourable response was given;
- (iv) agreed that the posts of Assistant Comptroller Inland Revenue (Revenue Operations) and Compliance Manager should be filled; and
- (v) expressed the view that the posts should be advertised internally and externally.

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

Action: PS, FIN; PS, PA; PS, EDICT; PAS, FIN; BD; CIR

EX MIN 14/715

EX MEM 14/413 PERMISSION TO FILL THE VACANT POST OF SURVEYOR IN THE DEPARTMENT OF LANDS AND SURVEYS

Council agreed that the vacant post of Surveyor in the Department of Lands and Surveys should be filled with immediate effect. Council noted that the views of the Permanent Secretaries had been sought in relation to the filling of the post and that a favourable response was given.

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

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; BD

EX MIN 14/716

EX MEM 14/414 FILLING THE VACANT POSITION OF AGRONOMIST IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Council agreed that the vacant post of Agronomist in the Department of Agriculture should be filled with immediate effect. Council noted that the views of the Permanent Secretaries had been sought in relation to the filling of the post and that a favourable response was given.

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

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; BD

EX MIN 14/717

EX MEM 14/415 AUTHORIZATION TO FILL TWO POSITIONS IN THE ANGUILLA FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

Council:-

- (i) noted that two (2) firefighters in the Anguilla Fire and Rescue Service had recently resigned;
- (ii) additionally noted that the that the views of the Permanent Secretaries had been sought in relation to the filling of the posts and that a favourable response was given; and
- (iii) agreed that the two vacant firefighter positions in the Anguilla Fire and Rescue Service should be filled.

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

Action: PS, MICUH; PS, PA; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; BD

EX MIN 14/718

EX MEM 14/416 ASSISTANCE FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT OVERSEAS FOR AX

[Note on publication: names redacted to protect personal health information]

Council noted a request from Ms X requesting a loan from the Department of Social Development (DSD) to cover the cost of transportation and accommodation to the UK to enable her to seek medical treatment for her son, AX.

Council agreed that Ms X be granted a loan from the DSD in the amount of US\$3,536.00 (\$500.00 per month for accommodation and \$2,536.00 for airfare/transportation) to access care in the UK. Council noted that Ms X had agreed to begin repaying the loan six months after her return to Anguilla in monthly instalments of US\$180.

Council additionally noted that this matter was referred to Executive Council for consideration because of the applicant's familial ties to leading personnel in the Ministry of Social Development.

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

Action: PS, HSD; CSD; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; ACC GEN

EX MIN 14/719

EX MEM 14/417 PERMISSION TO FILL VACANT POST OF SENIOR PLANNER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL PLANNING

Council agreed that the vacant post of Senior Planner in the Department of Physical Planning should be filled. Council noted that the views of the Permanent Secretaries had been sought in relation to the filling of the post and that a favourable response was given.

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

Action: PS, MHA/LANDS; PS, PA; PPO; PS, FIN; PS, EDICT; BD

ORAL MENTION

EX MIN 14/720

EX MIN 14/697 POLICING ISSUES

With reference to EX MIN 14/697 of 28th October 2014, the following persons joined the Meeting:-

Mr Rudolph Proctor, Commissioner of Police
 Ms Alice Proctor, Deputy Commissioner of Police
 Mr Elliott Forbes, Superintendent of Police
 Mr Gene Pestaina, Principal Crown Counsel, Attorney General's Chambers

Council noted a comprehensive Power Point presentation from the Commissioner of Police on general policing issues and gun related crime and violence. Some of the issues included crimes of major concern, the status of shooting cases/incidents, statistics on shootings, injuries and fatalities, drug trafficking and youth gang violence.

The CoP stressed the importance of the GoA's support in combating crime and youth gang activity on the island. The CoP stated that some of the RAPF strategic objectives were:-

- 1) working closely with young people;
- 2) reducing the fear of crime;
- 3) maintaining the safety and security of the public;
- 4) proper and efficient management of resources; and
- 5) prevention and detection of crime

Ministers of Government thanked the RAPF for the maintenance of law and order and for the invaluable services rendered to the people of Anguilla. Ministers stressed the importance of having a proper economy and a properly trained constabulary.

Council thanked the CoP for his comprehensive report and invited him to come back to Executive Council at the end of January 2015 to update Council on year-end statistics and also to present the RAPF's business plan and objectives for 2015.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS; COP

EX MIN 14/721

EX MIN 14/709 EX MEM 14/396 PROCEDURE FOR GGII'S APPEAL AGAINST REFUSAL OF PLANNING PERMISSION FOR A WASTE TO ENERGY PLANT

Further to EX MIN 14/709 of 12th November 2014, H E the Governor informed Council that she had written to Mr Thomas Astaphan, Legal Counsel for the LDCC to inform him that the date for the hearing on Wednesday 19th November 2014 would not be changed. Council noted that Mr Astaphan had subsequently requested that the meeting time be changed to the afternoon of the same day and

agreed that the time for the hearing should now be changed from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Action: EXCO MEMBERS
