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**MINUTES OF THE 146<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA**  
**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE 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 Attorney General, Mr John McKendrick QC
  - Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council
- IN ATTENDANCE:
- Mr Cardigan Connor, Hon Parliamentary Secretary
  - Mrs Evalie Bradley, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA
  - Mr Stephen Turnbull, Financial Specialist
  - Dr Aidan Harrigan, PS, FIN
  - Mrs Shantelle Richardson, Director, Economic Planning
  - Mrs Anthea Ipinson-Connor, Chief Project Officer
  - Ms Jamila Gumbs, Budget Officer
  - Mr Kiel Connor, Comptroller, Inland Revenue
  - Ms Tamika Fleming, Deputy Comptroller, Inland Revenue
  - Mr Travis Carty, Comptroller of Customs
  - Mr Giovanni Francisca, Deputy Comptroller of Customs
  - Mr Calvin A. Samuel, Director of Environment
  - Mr Rhon Connor, Deputy Director of Environment
  - Ms Carencia Rouse, Co-ordinator, Conservation Education

EX MIN 18/304 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

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

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 145<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on Thursday 7 June 2018.

**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

EX MIN 18/305 **EX MIN 18/291 EX MEM 18/152 APPROVAL OF BUDGET FOR THE 2018 ANGUILLA SUMMER FESTIVAL**

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

Further to EX MIN 18/291 of 7 June 2018, Council agreed that HE The Governor, Hon Deputy Governor, Hon Min HSD, and other relevant personnel would meet for further discussion on this issue.

Action: PS, SDSYC; DIR, Y & C; HON DG; HON MIN, SDSYC

EX MIN 18/306 **EX MIN 18/294 EX MEM 18/157 CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM**

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

Following on from EX MIN 18/294 of 7 June, Council confirmed that the meeting with the Hon Minister, MHA, the Hon Attorney General and the Bar Association should take place. Thereafter, the necessary preparation would be made to introduce the Bill to the House of Assembly as soon as possible.

Action: HON AG; CL, HOA; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 18/307 **EX MIN 18/295 EX MEM 18/158 PERMANENT RESIDENCY BY INVESTMENT AGENT FEE**

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

With reference to EX MIN 18/295 of 7 June 2018, Council instructed the MFEDICT to send drafting instructions to the Attorney General's Chambers to amend the existing legislation to effect this.

Action: PS, EDICTIT; PS, FIN; HON AG; PAS, FIN; DEP; BD; CIR; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 18/308

**EX MIN 18/298 EX MEM 18/107 PERMANENT RESIDENCY BY INVESTMENT (ECONOMIC RESIDENCY)**

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

Further to EX MIN 18/298 of 7 June 2018, Council instructed the MFEDICT to send policy instructions to the Attorney General's Chambers to update the necessary legislation.

Action: PS, EDICTIT; PS, FIN; HON AG; PAS, FIN; DEP; BD; CIR; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 18/309

**EX MEM 18/160 MEDICAL BOARD MEMBER REPLACEMENT OF DR. PAGE EDGAR WITH DR. JOSE RAMIREZ**

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

Council:

- (i) noted that Dr. Page Edgar resigned from the Medical Board of Anguilla effective 31 May 2018;
- (ii) agreed that Dr. Jose Ramirez, who has been registered with the Medical Board of Anguilla from 2013, and has provided locum surgical services for the Health Authority of Anguilla since then should be appointed to the Medical Board; and
- (iii) further noted that a stipend of EC\$300.00 is paid to Medical Board members monthly, which has already been catered for in the 2018 estimates.

Action: PS, HLPP; HON MIN, HSD

EX MIN 18/310

**EX MEM 18/161 APPOINTMENT OF MS. MARISA HARDING-HODGE TO THE POST OF CARICOM YOUTH AMBASSADOR FOR THE YEAR 2018 – 2020**

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

Council agreed that Ms. Marisa Harding-Hodge should be appointed to serve as Anguilla's CARICOM Youth Ambassador for the period 2018 – 2020.

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

Action: PS, SDSYC; DIR, Y & C; HON MIN, SDSYC

EX MIN 18/311

**EX MEM 18/162 BUDGET ALLOCATION FOR MANAGEMENT OF SARGASSUM IN ANGUILLA FOR JUNE 2018**

Hon Parliamentary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA, PS, FIN and Financial Specialist remained in attendance. The following persons joined:

Mr Calvin A. Samuel, Director of Environment  
 Mr Rhon Connor, Deputy Director of Environment  
 Ms Carencia Rouse, Co-ordinator, Conservation Education

Council:

- (i) noted the power point presentation regarding the influx of Sargassum affecting a number of Anguilla's beaches;
- (ii) agreed that costs to deal with this matter should be included in the 2019 Budget; and
- (iii) requested the PS, FIN to discuss and identify funds for this year from within the departments current allocations to manage the Sargassum on the beaches.

Action: PS, MICUHAFE; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTIT; BD; DIR, ENV; DEP DIR, ENV;  
 ACC GEN

EX MIN 18/312

**EX MEM 18/163 AMENDMENTS TO INSURANCE ACT AND INSURANCE REGULATIONS**

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

Council approved the proposed amendments to the Insurance legislation as outlined in the document.

Action: PS, FIN; PS, EDICTIT; PAS, FIN; BD; ACC GEN

EX MIN 18/313

**EX MEM 18/164 EXEMPTION FROM THE WORK PERMIT REQUIREMENT**

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

Council agreed that the persons whose circumstances were consistent with the current policy 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; PAS, MHA; LAB COM; CIO

EX MIN 18/314

**EX MEM 18/165 APPROVAL OF MTEFP PART 1 – REVISED ESTIMATES FOR 2019 – 2020 AND PROJECTIONS TO 2030**

Hon Parliamentary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA, PS, FIN and Financial Specialist remained in attendance. The following persons joined:

Mrs Shantelle Richardson, Director, Economic Planning  
 Mrs Anthea Ipinson-Connor, Chief Project Officer  
 Ms Jamila Gumbs, Budget Officer  
 Mr Kiel Connor, Comptroller, Inland Revenue  
 Ms Tamika Fleming, Deputy Comptroller, Inland Revenue  
 Mr Travis Carty, Comptroller of Customs  
 Mr Giovanni Francisca, Deputy Comptroller of Customs

Council:-

- (i) noted the revised 2018 budget estimates based on actual performance to date and the key assumptions combined in the provisional MTEFP which were:
  - (a) Customs Duty Reform - Reduction in Average Effective Customs Tariff Rate from 12.9% to 8% and compensating with a revenue neutral increase to the Customs Surcharge from 6% to 9% and making it the Interim Goods Tax (IGT) for the period 2019 to 2020.
  - (b) implementation of a 10% Lottery Levy on licensed lottery providers revenue.
  - (c) increases in future years predicted Stamp Duty revenue to \$9m per annum based on historic data and 2018 collections to date.
  - (d) implementation of Petroleum Bulk Importer Licence of EC\$750,000 per importer from financial year 2019 onwards.
  - (e) phased implementation of the service component of GST beginning in 2021, to be broadened further in 2023.
  - (f) payment of existing expenditure arrears during the period 2019-2024 with no further arrears being accumulated.
- (ii) committed to the implementation of (d) above in 2019;
- (iii) agreed to the reconfiguration of import duties and the Interim Goods Tax (IGT) as set out in (a) above in 2019 as phase one of GST implementation;
- (iv) committed to reducing expenditure arrears over the medium term as set out in (f); and
- (v) stressed the importance of a timely ANGLEC Share sale to support the government's cash flow and revenues in 2018 onwards.

During discussion, Council suggested that a separate Environmental Levy should be maintained to deal specifically with environmental issues and also, to explore the possibility of charging a levy associated with money transfers.

Council thanked the team for their continued hard work and the Hon Chief Minister for his leadership.

Action: PS, FIN; PS, EDICTIT; PAS, FIN; BD; DEP; CPO; CIR; COC; ACC GEN;  
MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 18/315

**EX MEM 18/166 HIGHER EDUCATION LICENSING (AMENDMENT) ACT 2018 AND HIGHER EDUCATION AND LICENSING (AUTHORISATION OF ACCREDITATION BODIES OR AUTHORITIES) REGULATIONS 2018**

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

Council endorsed:-

- (i) the recommendation that the Hon Minister of Education authorises other accrediting bodies to accredit medical programmes in Anguilla; and
- (ii) the recommendation that the Governor-in-Council authorises the Accreditation Commission on Colleges of Medicine to accredit medical programmes and qualifications in Anguilla.

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

Action: PS, MHA/ED; HON AG; PS, HLPP; HON MIN, MHA/ED

**ORAL MENTION**

EX MIN 18/316

**PACE OF RECONSTRUCTION WORK**

Hon Parliamentary, Ministerial Assistant to the Hon Minister, MHA, PS, FIN and Financial Specialist remained in attendance.

Ministers expressed concerns regarding the Blowing Point Terminal, ALHCS and primary schools renovation projects. Council endorsed the suggestion to have a conversation with the Governor's Office on the pace of implementation.

Action: PS, MICUHAFE; PS, FIN; MINS OF GOV'T

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