

List of confidential decisions BC Meeting

Subtitle Weekly BC Meeting

 Date
 06/11/2024

 Time
 9:00 - 12:00

 Location
 Courtroom

Chair Governor Johnson

Attendees Eviton Heyliger, Jonathan Johnson and Bruce Zagers

1.0.0 Welcome

2.0.0 Minutes of last BC Meeting

3.0.0 Discussion papers

BC proposals to be discussed and decided upon jointly.

3.0.1 BC Proposal MDT Program

MDT is a program of the Ministry of Education, Culture and Science, in collaboration with young people, civil society organizations, schools, municipalities and other ministries. During this program, young people between 12 and 30 years old choose to develop their talents, meet new people and at the same time do something for others and/or society. The MDT program offers young people a platform to work on a variety of social challenges. By participating in MDT, young people work on their self-confidence, know better what they want and gain important skills.

Suggested decision:

- 1. To accept this BC proposal to put out a vacancy for a Maatschappelijke DienstTijd (MDT) Program Coordinator once funding is received from the ministry of OCW.
- 2. Island Secretary and Island Governor to sign Subsidy Request letter attached to this proposal.

Decision:

1. To accept this BC proposal to put out a vacancy for a Maatschappelijke DienstTijd (MDT) Program Coordinator once funding is received from the ministry of OCW.



2. Island Secretary and Island Governor to sign Subsidy Request letter attached to this proposal.

Explanation:

Subsidy request must be formally approved and formal beschikking received

prior to vacancy being published.

3.0.2 Contract greenhouses hydroponics / reforestation

Part of the development of the hydroponics farm (BC proposal 287/23) entails expansion of the greenhouse capacity. A first greenhouse was set up last year and is now in full production. A second greenhouse is currently scheduled to be built in order to double production. Additionally, a greenhouse is needed to serve as a tree nursery for the reforestation project (BC proposal 289/23).

To save costs, a combined quotation was requested for the construction of the greenhouses, as well as the construction of a water tank to ensure water supply. Attached is a quotation from Caribbean Contractors and Designs. The costs for both greenhouses and the water tank are \$31,540.80. This quotation is a lot lower than an earlier quotation provided by KJ Services, which was 29,392.47 for only one greenhouse. Because of this, Caribbean Contractors and Designs is the preferred candidate for this assignment.

Suggested decision:

To sign the contract for the construction of two greenhouses and a water tank.

Decision:

Approved.

This is the BC proposal for the Island Clean Up of 2024.

Suggested decision:

To approve of the budget and plans for the Island Clean Up of 2024

Decision:



Approved.

Explanation:

Civil servants can be offered to help for a half day during working hours.

3.0.4

3.0.5 Participation in EU Meeting on Regional Program

During the week of June 17th– 21st, the Regional Authorizing Officer (SXM) is organizing several events on St. Maarten where the representatives from the Dutch OCTs are invited to participate. A formal invitation has thus far only been sent for the events during the beginning of the week, however, the event on Friday is confirmed and formal invitation will soon follow.

On June 21st, 2024, a meeting will be organized to finalize the Regional Multi Annual Indicative Programme for the Dutch OCTs and St. Barths. A representative from the Directorate General for International Partnerships in Brussels will also be present at the meeting.

The program, which will focus on Food Security, Water Resource Management and Biodiversity, has been in development since 2022 and we are nearing the finalization of the action document. A total amount of approximately 21 million euros, will be made available for projects under the above-mentioned themes. During this meeting we will be discussing the financial allocation and division of funds for the specific themes in the MIP and concluding all final information for the action document so that implementation of projects can begin in 2025.

Suggested decision:

The advice is to approve my participation in the EU MIP meeting taking place on St.Maarten.

Decision:

Approved.

3.0.6 Work trip Bonaire – NMNM

The purpose of this annual meeting is to address various critical matters pertinent to the NMNM collective efforts.



Suggested decision:

To approve payments to be made for overall cost of the planned work trip.

Decision:

Approved.

3.0.7 Presentation Spatial planning policy by department of infrastructure and spatial planning

Decision:

Duly noted.

4.0.0 Formalities

5.0.0 Incoming Pieces / Requests (op paper)

6.0.0 Announcements

Announcements:

- 1. Governor Johnson
- 2. Commissioner Zagers
- 3. Commissioner Heyliger
- 4. Island Secretary Streppel

7.0.0 Signing

8.0.0 Closing