



Decision List Nr. 08/2023

Executive Council Meeting of April 4th, 2023

325/2023	Subject:	Transfer funds to Energy Subsidy to SEC 2nd Round
	Summary:	<p>Per decision letter 2022-0000118817, the Ministry of SZW has approved the transfer of funds to Saba government for the purpose of energy subsidy towards low-income households on Saba.</p> <p>Previously, funds were transferred to the Saba Electric Company (SEC) for the allocation of 850 USD per household. Eighteen households were approved out of thirty households that applied. The Ministry of SZW had previously agreed to have this subsidy be raised to 1300 USD per household.</p>
	Decision:	In agreement

353/2023	Subject:	Earth Day
	Summary:	<p>The Public Entity would like to organize a week of sustainability which will tie into the upcoming earth day. We want the theme to be "A Sustainable Saba". This week of events will begin on April 17th and end on April 22nd with a large fair for the community. The schedule for this week is within the attachments to this proposal.</p> <p>As mentioned, we would like to organize a week of activities involving the youth and the general public so we can increase awareness of the 3Rs of recycling and also reinforce the idea of conservation on the island of Saba for Earth Day. The progress in recycling awareness has gone stagnant. It is visible on the sorting line at the landfill that people are not recycling as much as they once were. We want to bring together the different stakeholders on the island like OLS, SCS, SHS, The Lions Club, Sea and Learn, etc. so we can work together to preserve the Saban landscape further.</p>
	Decision:	In agreement

378/2023	Subject:	Purchase of multifunctional shelter
	Summary:	<p>Since a few years now, the ministry of VWS requested that all three BES islands need to have a shelter and reporting point put in place, where survivors of domestic violence and child abuse can reside after having had to move out of their home due to having been exposed to a violent or unsafe domestic incident.</p> <p>Bonaire and Sint Eustatius currently have their shelter put in place and it is Saba's turn now to also show that we too value the importance of having a safe space where persons who are currently living in (psychologically) unhealthy living environments, can be given the opportunity to break free from their current living</p>

		<p>situation, and with professional guidance, can be provided the training and tools necessary to build themselves a new, mentally healthier lifestyle.</p> <p>However, though small in size, Saba faces the same multifaceted problems seen with complex family cases that are also experienced in bigger countries. It's never just one component to tackle in order to help a family move on to a better lifestyle and way of thinking and thus, ideally would be to have a couple of shelters put in place. One for victims of domestic violence, one for troubled youth, one for toxic family relationships, etcetera. It goes without saying that having multiple shelters on Saba is unfeasible. To be able to provide to most forms of problematic causes for relocation while also be able to still provide the specific care, guidance, and support needed, tailored made to the specific family situation, we have come to the conclusion that the best way of making most use out of a shelter on Saba would be to have the shelter be multifunctional.</p>
	Decision:	In agreement

379/2023	Subject:	Funding request 10K race
	Summary:	<p>Request submitted for funding support to organize the first-ever 10K race on Saba. Seeing the success of hosting 2.5K & 5K races, he would like to raise the bar and challenge the community with a new edition.</p> <p>Events like these have encouraged the community to get active and align with our department goals to foster a healthy lifestyle. Seeing that this initiative has a positive impact on the community the Public Health Department would like to support it with a one-time donation of \$1,500.</p>
	Decision:	In agreement

384/2023	Subject:	Business license request
	Summary:	Application submitted for a business and director's license for QBR Joint Venture B.V.
	Decision:	In agreement

450/2023	Subject:	Financial assistance for five netball players
	Summary:	A request for financial assistance for five members of the Saba Aces netball team to travel to Guadeloupe
	Decision:	In agreement

339/2023	Subject:	BES(t)4Kids Budget & Plan of Action
	Summary:	<p>The BES(t)4Kids program aims to strengthen and improve childcare on the BES islands with a focus on creating a safe and caring environment for children which is accessible and affordable to all parents.</p> <p>Budget - Funds from Ministry of SZW</p>

		For 2023, the Public Entity Saba will receive a total of \$607,300 from the Ministry of SZW (<i>see appendix I for the 'Beschikking' of the Ministry</i>), of which 75% (\$455,475) will be received now and the remaining 25% (\$151,825) will be received in September 2023. From the funds received for 2022, a remainder of \$600,000 is available for 2023
	Decision:	In agreement

341/2023	Subject:	ASC Subsidy
	Summary:	Since 2019, the B4K program has been subsidizing the Saba Girls & Boys Sports Society/ After School Care (ASC) to help with quality improvements. Since January 2021 the ASC is receiving direct funding from the Ministry of SZW unit UVB for the cost price reducing subsidy as well as the child placement subsidy.
	Decision:	In agreement

348/2023	Subject:	Change from sole proprietorship to a BV
	Summary:	Request submitted for sole proprietorship to changed to Hybrid & EV Services B.V.
	Decision:	In agreement

370/2023	Subject:	Business license request
	Summary:	Request submitted for a sole proprietorship license for Black Spider Shipping and Services
	Decision:	In agreement

396/2023	Subject:	Request exemption article 39 LVW BES
	Summary:	Ministry of ILT approved exemption for Airport to allow landing by Windward Express Airways N.V. during opening hours.
	Decision:	Duly noted

397/2023	Subject:	Reactie op de vierde uitvoeringsrapportage 2022 OLS
	Summary:	College Financieel Toezicht provided a reaction on the 4 th quarterly report from Public Entity Saba
	Decision:	Duly noted

421/2023	Subject:	Low income subsidy update
	Summary:	Saba Electric Company provided an update on the use of the energy low-income subsidy.
	Decision:	Duly noted

439/2023	Subject:	Advies aanvraag over het Wet aanscherping strafbaarstelling ronselen en vereisten toewijzing restzetels
	Summary:	BZK request advice on the aforementioned law which provides for a better approach to the recruitment of proxy votes. This law also stipulates that a political party must first have obtained a

		seat on its own strength before it can obtain a “restzetel” residual seat.
	Decision:	Duly noted

459/2023	Subject:	Aanvang wijziging wetgeving invoering BSN in CN
	Summary:	BZK informs the Executive Council that the BSN (burgerservicenummer) will be implemented on the BES islands. This implementation of the BSN is a necessary first step in strengthening of the digital society in the Caribbean Netherlands
	Decision:	Duly noted

The Executive Council of the Public Entity Saba