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## MEDIA RELEASE

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Highlights from the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville Counties Council Meeting held on Thursday, September 21, 2023 and other announcements are listed below.

**New Administrator for Maple View Lodge Announced:** The Counties' welcomed Jennifer Powley as the new Administrator for Maple View Lodge and Director of Maple View Landings on September 18, 2023. With more than 30 years of experience as a senior manager in the health care sector and a decade and a half in long-term care, Ms. Powley is an exceptional addition to the dedicated team at Maple View Lodge. For more information, contact Chief Administrative Officer Ray Callery at 613-342-2840 ext. 2301 or by email at [Ray.Callery@uclg.on.ca](mailto:Ray.Callery@uclg.on.ca).

**Council Adopts Corporate Communications Strategy:** Counties Council adopted a Corporate Communications Strategy and is in the process of hiring a Communications Coordinator. The Corporate Communications Strategy will guide the maintenance and strengthening of relationships with local and partner municipalities, increase community engagement and understanding of Counties services, and will continue to support the effective promotion of economic development and tourism opportunities. The Corporate Communications Strategy will also support improved internal communications initiatives and activities to ensure the dissemination of information to staff in a timely and efficient manner. For more information, contact Sheena Earl, County Clerk/Manager of Legislative Services at 613-342-3840 ext. 2454 or by email at [Sheena.Earl@uclg.on.ca](mailto:Sheena.Earl@uclg.on.ca).

**Construction Project Administrator for Maple View Landings Announced:** Effective October 2, 2023, Mike Dwyer joined the Counties as the Construction Project Administrator. Mr. Dwyer will ensure coordination between the construction of the new G. Tackaberry and Family Home, integration with Counties operations, fundraising

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efforts, and repurposing of the existing Maple View Lodge and Landings site. He brings with him vast municipal and local experience through his previous roles in senior municipal management. For more information, contact Chief Administrative Officer Ray Callery at 613-342-3840 ext. 2301 or by email at [Ray.Callery@uclg.on.ca](mailto:Ray.Callery@uclg.on.ca).

**2022 Financial Statements Approved:** Counties Council is committed to ensuring the public is informed of the financial position and financial activity of the Counties. Each year, financial statements are audited by an external, independent accounting firm. The Counties' 2022 Financial Statements are now available on the Counties' website by visiting <https://www.leedsgrenville.com/en/government/budget-and-finance.aspx>. For more information, contact Treasurer Pat Huffman at 613-342-3840 ext. 2468 or by email at [Pat.Huffman@uclg.on.ca](mailto:Pat.Huffman@uclg.on.ca).

**Upcoming meetings:** The next Council meeting will be held on Thursday, October 19, 2023. On Monday, October 30, 2023, there will be a special Committee of the Whole meeting to discuss repurposing the existing Maple View Lodge. A Special Committee of the Whole meeting will take place on Monday, November 6, 2023 at 9:30 a.m. at The Cove Inn in Westport, which will focus on strategic initiatives. The Joint Services Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 7, 2023. The next regular Committee of the Whole meeting will be on Wednesday, November 8, 2023, and the Maple View Lodge Committee of Management meeting will be held on Thursday, November 9, 2023.

All regular meetings start at 9 a.m. in the Council Chambers at 25 Central Avenue West, Brockville. If you require more information, please reach out to County Clerk/Manager of Legislative Services, Sheena Earl, at 613-342-3840, ext. 2454 or by email at [Sheena.Earl@uclg.on.ca](mailto:Sheena.Earl@uclg.on.ca).

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