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The highlights of the regular United Counties of Leeds and Grenville Council meeting held on Thursday, February 23rd, as well as the Joint Services Committee (JSC) meeting held earlier this month, are listed below.

Contract Awarded for North Grenville Roundabout: Construction of the roundabout at County Roads 43 and 22 in the Municipality of North Grenville has been awarded to Thomas Cavanagh Construction. Counties Council approved the company's bid at Thursday's meeting.

Construction is expected to begin this spring. Warden Nancy Peckford noted the roundabout is a much-needed improvement to a high-collision intersection. For more information contact Bill Guy, Manager of Engineering and Operations, at 613-342-3840 ext. 2426 or Bill.Guy@uclg.on.ca.

Update on Maple View Lodge Redevelopment Project: The Long-Term Care Redevelopment Fundraising Policy in advance of the launch of the fundraising campaign for the new, 192-bed, long-term care home in the Township of Athens has been approved by Counties Council.

Funds raised from the campaign will be utilized for items which will enhance the lives of residents and provide aides to assist staff in providing exceptional care. The fundraising campaign has a goal of \$3 million and is expected to launch this spring. For more information, contact Long-term Care Fundraising Coordinator Lesley Todd at Lesley.Todd@uclg.on.ca.

Leeds Grenville Joint Services Budget Approved: The Joint Services Committee (JSC) approved its 2023 Budget at its regular meeting earlier this month.

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The Committee approved the amount of \$18.9-million, an increase of just over 11% over the 2022 Budget. The Joint Services Committee oversees Provincial Offences Act Administration, the Paramedic Service, and Community and Social Services.

The Counties and its partner municipalities of the City of Brockville, Town of Prescott and Town of Gananoque contribute to this budget. For more information contact Chief Administrative Officer, Ray Callery, at 613-342-3840 ext. 2301 or Ray.Callery@uclg.on.ca.

Landlord Engagement Events in Kemptville and Brockville: The United Counties of Leeds and Grenville and partnering agencies are hosting landlord engagement events. The Counties and area agencies invite local landlords to join discussions on working together to help those in imminent need of housing.

The events will be held in Kemptville on March 6th at 6 p.m. at 285 County Road 44 and in Brockville on March 20th at 6 p.m. at the Hampton Inn. For more information or to register, contact Alysia Radke at 613-342-3840 ext. 2117 or Alysia.Radke@uclg.on.ca

Upcoming meetings: The Joint Services Committee meeting is on March 7th; a Special Counties Council meeting is on March 8th with the Committee of the Whole meeting immediately following; the Maple View Lodge Committee of Management meeting is March 9th; Counties Council is on March 23rd. All regular meetings begin at 9 a.m. in the Council Chambers at 25 Central Avenue, Brockville. For more information, contact County Clerk/Manager of Legislative Services, Sheena Earl, at 613-342-3840, ext. 2454, or Sheena.Earl@uclg.on.ca

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