

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FORM**

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Do you represent any particular group or organization? I represent Clay County in the CCMH conflict, but my comments today are from Clay County Citizen Frank J. Douthitt.

If you do represent a group or organization, please state the name, address and telephone number of such group or organization. See above.


Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address?

**Item 32 Court to consider and possibly approve scheduling a hearing on the sale of Clay County Memorial Hospital to the Midway Companies.**

**Item 33 Court to consider and possibly approve a referendum to be put before the taxpayers of Clay County on the sale of Clay County Memorial Hospital.**

**NOTE: I prefer to address this under item 12: Court to hear from any persons desiring to appear before the court.**

In general, are you for or against such agenda item (or items)? **AGAINST**

Signature:  Date: November 14, 2022

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## Outline for Comments at Commissioners Court Re: CCMH Sale Proposal

1. Putting this item concerning the possible sale of CCMH for **ONE DOLLAR** on the agenda is **irresponsible**.
  - a. This will create gossip and rumors that CCMH is for sale.
  - b. This will further damage the public perception of CCMH.
  - c. We should all, including this Court, consider whether or not the commissioner requesting this agenda item is a supporter of CCMH.
  
2. I'm not permitted to ask questions of the members of the court, but other court members can ask questions of the commissioner that put this on the agenda. For example
  - a. Who ask a commissioner to put these items on the agenda?
  - b. Who, if anyone, at CCMH is promoting this possible sale?
  - c. Is someone not now associated with CCMH promoting this possible sale?
  - d. Are the usual suspects, Jeff Lyde and Lisa Swenson among the promoters?
  - e. Has anyone considered the gossip, rumors and the related harm to the hospital that will be generated by this just being on the agenda? Some in the public arena will think the CCMH is for sale.
    - i. Remember that as opposition to the Andy Wilson group (ACP & NTACP) began to develop, the CCMH personnel that were promoters of the NTACP group began to trash the current CCMH operation and it's quality of care. Those folks include:
      - (1) Sheriff and former CCMH President Jeff Lyde.
      - (2) CCMH Superintendent, Lisa Swenson.
      - (3) Tiffany Hoff, x-ray technician
      - (4) CCMH EMT Robert Montgomery.
      - (5) Former Director of Nurses, Karen Ashley
    - ii. The trashing of CCMH appeared to be an effort to justify the Sheriff's and the others positions who clearly were wanting to contract with ACP/NTACP.
  
3. Remember that the contracts proposed by Andy Wilson were full of improper and illegal provisions detrimental to CCMH and beneficial to NTACP/ACP.

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4. Does the commissioner that put this on the agenda know of the connection between Brandon Cope of The Midway Companies and Andy Wilson of ACP and NTACP?
  - a. Brandon Cope of Midway is a (Facebook) friend with Andy Wilson of ACP and NTACP.
5. Do the promoters of this possible sale realize that the proposal includes property used in conjunction with CCMH that the County does not own? (The clinic that Dr. Neil M Berry occupies is owned by the Foundation).
6. I'm speaking now to preempt the agenda items concerning the proposed sale of CCMH because I expect the proposals to die for lack of a second. That is how it should be, but then there will be no discussion about the folly of this even being on the agenda. The citizens of Clay County need to know that CCMH is not for sale.
7. I remind the Court that if there is no second, there should be no discussion of the issue.
8. **The Court should adopt a resolution emphatically stating the CCMH is not for sale.**