

**CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL
CLARK COUNTY COMMISSIONER
CLARK MEMORIAL HOSPITAL PURCHASE AGREEMENT
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA
Joint Meeting of July 23, 2015**

The joint scheduled meeting of the Clark County Council and the Clark County Commissioners was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Commissioner Jack Coffman.

Those in attendance stood for the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag.

Present at the meeting were Commissioners – Jack Coffman and Rick Stephenson, Bryan Glover was absent, Jill Oca and the County Attorney Lisa Glickfield.

Roll call showed council members present and absent as follows:

Present	Absent
Barbara Hollis (1 st District)	Kelly Khuri (At Large)
Brian Lenfert (2 nd District)	Danny Yost (3 rd District)
Kevin Vissing (At Large)	
Barbara Bratcher Haas (At Large)	
Steve Doherty (4 th District)	

Also present were Council Attorney, Scott Lewis and Auditor, Monty Snelling and Chief Deputy Auditor, Alana Sparkman.

Others in attendance were Martin Padgett, CMH President and CEO, Kevin Woodhouse, Attorney with Ice Miller, Pam Thompson, CMH Board Attorney, Ron Barnes, CMH Board, Debbie Meyer, CMH Board, Chris Day, CMH Board, and Lee Anne Scott, CMH Board.

Commissioner Coffman opened the public meeting with all of the members in attendance ready to proceed. Commissioner Coffman turned the meeting over to Kevin Woodhouse, Attorney for Ice Miller. Mr. Woodhouse asked everyone to introduce themselves. The Lifepoint representatives were in attendance also and introduced themselves.

Kevin Woodhouse stated that this was a public meeting and that the meeting was to give people the opportunity to voice their thoughts on the purchase issue and that the actual proposal has been in the Auditor's office since July 13th.

Ron Barnes stated that with the way things are now, the hospital is trying to do more with less. Since 2012, there has been increasing pressure to advance so they decided to explore options with Nortons and Lifepoint through Regional Network to allow a fundamental commitment as an attractive option.

Martin Padgett stated that this merger would provide the right partnership. All team members involved, including current staff and volunteers, agree that this would help by bringing benefits such as sufficient funding and hiring new employees making this a better hospital going forward. With Nortons and Lifepoint, Clark Memorial can be the best hospital in the United States adding that it would be a tax paying entity as well.

Lee Murphy, with Lifepoint, talked about what Lifepoint Health is. He stated that it is a leading health care company and the vision for the company is to bring the highest quality of health care to this county. Both Nortons and Lifepoint have unwavering qualities. Lifepoint offers the operating expertise paired with Nortons clinical expertise. Their plan is to retain the current employees as well as hire more employees.

Scott Rapley, with Lifepoint, talked about what the hospital and community can expect. The RHN is planning to invest \$80 million dollars to pay the sufficient debt and honor employee's contracts by developing a strategic plan. The goal is to keep health care local and the retention and expansion of services.

Kevin Woodhouse next talked about the purchase price as \$76 million plus networking capital as recorded in the Memorandum of Understanding. The RHN will pay a minimum of \$80 in capital expenditures over a 10 year period. They plan to satisfy the bonds and pension liabilities of the hospital staff. After 5-6 years for the escrow period, if there are funds left over, they would be returned to the county. He stated that for the county, there would be no cash required from the county, and the jail would still continue services for a minimum of up to 5 years. Also, the Health department will still retain their space with the hospital for a minimum of 5 years.

Kevin Woodhouse asked if the Council or Commissioners had any questions. There were no questions. He then turned the floor over to the public.

Dr. Jerry Shroats introduced himself and talked about his 9 years with Clark Memorial Hospital and, before that, Audubon and Suburbon. He stated that the merger with Norton and Lifepoint is a viable solution and this merger would provide community health care, not corporate health care.

Jake Conner, is a member of the community, spoke in favor of the deal. He thanked the county for there research on this merger. He stated that he was glad that the hospital employees would retain their jobs. He stated that it would be good for the county with the payment of property tax dollars and that the jail and Health department get to keep working with the hospital.

Ron Barnes, Board of Trustees, called the meeting to order. Debbie Meyer motioned to accept the joint resolution. Don Stone seconded. Motion Passed 5-0. Ron Barnes adjourned.

Councilperson Barbara Hollis called the Clark County Council meeting to order. Councilperson Kevin Vissing motioned to proceed with the vote of the joint resolution. Councilperson Brian Lenfert seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Councilperson Brian Lenfert motioned to adjourn. Councilperson Steve Doherty seconded. Meeting adjourned 5-0.

Commissioner Jack Coffman called the Commissioner meeting to order. Commissioner Rick Stephenson motioned to proceed with the vote of the joint resolution. Commissioner Jack Coffman seconded. Motion approved 2-0 with Commissioner Bryan Glover not in attendance. Commissioner Rick Stephenson motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Jack Coffman seconded. Meeting adjourned 2-0.

Kevin Woodhouse stated that all bodies have voted on the joint resolution. He then called the meeting over.

Members of the Clark County Council

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Kerri Vissing

Kelly Ann

Brian Jernstedt

Sabrina Hollis

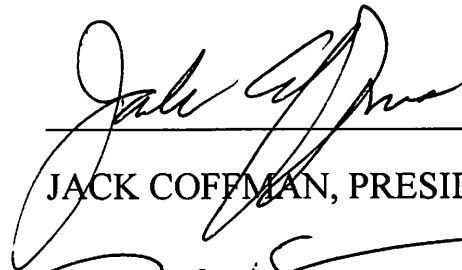
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R. Monty Snelling - Clark County Auditor

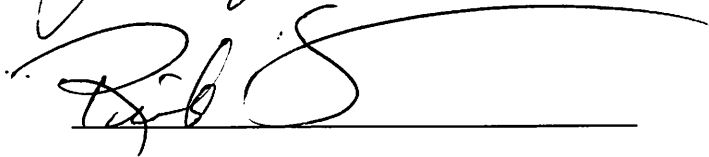
Approved this 14 day of Sept, 2015

To the extent the Board held an executive session of any type under (IC-5-14-1.5-6) or otherwise, the Board thereby certified that no subject matter was discussed therein, except that posted in the notice for sessions or meeting (IC-5-14-1.5-6).

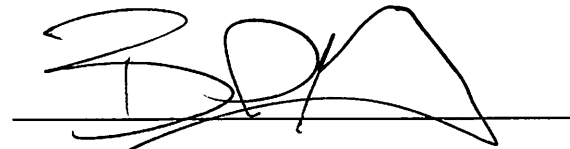
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CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA



JACK COFFMAN, PRESIDENT

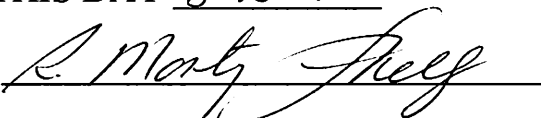


RICK STEPHENSON,
VICE-PRESIDENT



BRYAN GLOVER, MEMBER

SIGNED THIS DAY 8-13-15

ATTEST: 

R. MONTY SNELLING, CLARK COUNTY AUDITOR