

Clinton County Clerk announces change in polling location due to coronavirus concerns

Residents of Brookside 2, 3, 4 & 5 will vote at Monken auto dealership

A polling location in Clinton County has changed for the March 17 Primary Election to protect some of the county's most vulnerable citizens from possible exposure to COVID-19 coronavirus.

Clinton County Clerk Vicky Albers announced Thursday that the voters of Brookside 2, 3, 4 and 5, who normally vote at the Warren G. Murray Developmental Center in Centralia, will vote next Tuesday at the Monken Chrysler Nissan dealership, located at 1739 West McCord Street in Centralia.

"The County Clerk's Office was contacted by the Governor's Office on Wednesday afternoon requesting that we take the necessary steps to find an alternate voting location for Brookside 2, 3, 4 and 5," Albers said. "We certainly understand the threat of exposure and are extremely thankful that the owners and staff at Monken Chrysler Nissan have been so accommodating under such short notice."

Albers explained that there are two Monken dealerships in close proximity to each other along Route 161 with voting to take place at the Chrysler dealership (Route 161, west of Murray Center and across from the Centralia Recycle Center).

State Rep. Charlie Meier, who represents a large portion of Clinton County and the residents of Murray Center, commented, "I want to thank Clinton County Clerk Vicky Albers for relocating the polling location from Murray Center to the Monken auto dealership. I appreciate Albers taking extra caution to protect the residents of Murray during the coronavirus outbreak. I also want to thank Monken Auto for opening their doors to the voters."