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Trinity is a truly wonderful place to live. I have decided to run for council to assist other council members in identifying and bringing to fruition opportunities to make it even better, to do my part for my community and to apply my skills to serve the citizens of Trinity. Since being a seasonal resident for 18 years and a permanent resident for 5 years I have enjoyed spearheading or taking part in the following initiatives.

Since 2014 I have developed and voluntarily administrated the "Trinity Anchor" www.trinityanchor.ca which is a web-based bulletin board serving the Trinity Bight to keep residents and visitors in the loop of events, activities and general announcements. Advertising revenue from participating businesses and various fundraising events is given back to the community by assisting residents with medical transportation, and most recently, the purchase of an Automatic Defibrillator for the Town of Trinity (located outside the Parish Hall) as well as exercise equipment. I also created the "Wine Quest" night which ran for 4 years in Trinity with proceeds donated to community initiatives.

In addition, I developed fitness activities with a Pickleball clinic and ongoing fitness classes for Trinity Bight area residents. I have been a member of the Trinity Festival Committee for the past 2 years.

As a Trinity business owner since 2011 I have been able to initiate, execute and participate in the "Fall Festivity in Trinity", a fun filled weekend event of activities which helps to extend the fall shoulder season and bring residents and visitors to the area businesses.

I believe these activities & initiatives demonstrate my desire to be a participating member of the community. I have chosen to make Trinity my home and with your support, I hope to continue this commitment as a member of the Trinity Town Council.



Who is Paul Stapleton?

And, ***why should I vote for him?***

It would not surprise me if many of you are asking that question. It is important for you to know more about those who seek your support, trust and confidence.

I am a quiet, reserved person by nature, with a good sense of humour. I have been living here for the past seven years. My wife Sue and I bought the former Trinity town hall and public library. We renovated it as our home and moved here permanently four years ago to enjoy our retirement. We both grew up in St. John's and have been married for fifty-three years. We had three children and now have five teenage grandsons.

Sue is a retired music teacher and her two passions are children and music. I am a retired lawyer. I graduated from MUN with a degree in economics and political science; and from UNB Law School. I practiced law in St. John's for twenty years, mostly in the municipal sector. I served as St. John's City Solicitor for about fourteen years. In 1994 we moved to Fredericton, NB where I served as the City's CAO. I managed the City for 18 years until I retired in 2012. After retirement I was engaged by the Province of New Brunswick to help design and implement its plan for local government reform.

When I was approached about running for council, it reminded me that, with my background and knowledge of how governments work, I do have something to offer. I've always enjoyed good relations with politicians, officials, local businesses and residents. These relations are particularly important in smaller communities that do not have a large amount of resources. Maybe I can be of some use to our town.

Over the years I did volunteer work with numerous organizations and served as chairman or president of many of them.

I served as president of the Canadian Association of Municipal Administrators (CAMA), and was awarded Honourary Life Membership. In 2002 I was the recipient IPAC's Lieutenant Governor's Award for Excellence in Public Administration, the second time it was awarded. In 2012 I was presented with the Queen's Jubilee Medal for my contribution to Canada.

So, that is the short version of who I am. My priorities continue to be my family, my home, my town, hopefully on town council, and spending time in my new shed sorting nuts and bolts.

No matter who you choose to represent you, let's all get out to vote.

Paul

Barb Warren

I'm Barb Warren, and I've tossed my hat in the ring for the upcoming by-election for town council.

I have a mixed bag of experiences that have shaped who I am. For starters, I've spent over 25+ years in the tourism industry, hustling from the front desk as a teenager moving up to sales and marketing. I have worked in places like Ottawa, Alberta, and New Brunswick for International Hotel Chains. It was a challenging career that sharpened my marketing, customer service, and event management skills. I think these traits would come in handy on the town council.

After 25 years in hotel chains, I took a detour into entrepreneurship and ran a small business that marketed and managed 25 vacation homes (in Humber Valley), juggling budgets, staff, and international marketing.

The turning point for me was a decade ago when my husband, Ron and I made the heartfelt decision to take a break from professional endeavors to move to Trinity full time to raise our son. This period of my life has instilled the importance of invaluable qualities like patience, empathy, and the beauty of strong family bonds. I also stumbled upon some hidden gems in my life, like discovering my knack for quilting, whipping up delightful baked treats, and diving into the fascinating world of genealogy.

In recent years, I've been a part of the local scene in working for and supporting small businesses. For the past 6 years I have been working at Aunt Sarah's Chocolate Shop. It's a sweet gig that not only fulfills my creative side but also lets me connect with our awesome community.

Now, with my son growing up and becoming more independent, I find myself drawn to a new challenge and a way to give back to this community that has become home. With Ron, who has been a council member, stepping down to pursue his Advanced Care Paramedic Degree and having to make the tough decision to focus his attention there while maintaining his current role in the Fire Department, I have found an opportunity to use my experiences to help our area.

Over the course of the last few years, I've been a board member at the Vista Family Resource Centre and dedicated my time to volunteering at the school, helping with breakfast and lunch programs.

One thing you can count on with me is that I'm a good listener. I believe that open communication is the glue that holds a community together. I'm all about being approachable and responsive, so your voices are heard loud and clear.

My background has me geared up for problem-solving. Be it infrastructure, economic development, or in the quality of life, I'm ready to tackle whatever town issues come our way. I'm all about the long-term health of Trinity, supporting responsible, sustainable development that keeps our unique charm intact for generations to come.

When it comes to the town's resources, I'll prioritize fiscal responsibility, advocating for wise spending and transparent budgeting.

And, of course, I'm a team player. No one person can do it all, so I'll work hand in hand with other council members, local organizations, and fellow residents to find solutions that work for all of us.

To wrap it up, I see this new chapter in my life as a chance to give back to Trinity, a town that's given my family so much. I'd be honoured to have your support in the upcoming by-election and keep Trinity the fantastic place we all love. Thanks for considering me!