

# Town of Trinity

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Residents and Friends,

The Town of Trinity is now in the midst of its consultations for its new Town Hall/Community Centre and we would like your input into our concept plans that have been completed by Fougere Menchenton Architecture in St. John's.

The below is the summary from a public consultation that was held on December 8 and outlines the feedback that was received and the work that is to take place based on this initial meeting.

In addition to the Concept Drawings you will also see in the attached document the possible five options for the location of the building, with Option #5 being the preference that was chosen pending investigation of some test pits which will hopefully take place in the next week or so.

Option #1	Corner of Dandy Lane & West Street - directly across the road from Green Family Forge
Option #2	In the Field Area in the centre of Town
Option #3	On West Street between the property of Ada Nemec & the Visitor Centre
Option #4	Corner of Church Road and Dandy Lane - directly across the road from the Hiscock House

Option #5 Off Church Road, between St. Paul's Anglican Church and Clinch's Lane

Please review the below and attached documents and send your input to the Town through any of the means listed below. We would appreciate all feedback be submitted by December 21st

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Thank you in advance for your input during this consultation process.

Jim

Jim Miller Mayor Town of Trinity

## Summary of the Public consultation session with the residents of Trinity

A public consultation session with a representation of approximately 20 local residents in attendance was held on Tuesday, Dec. 8/15 at the Parish Hall in Trinity. The main points of discussion were as follows:

- Ron Fougere & Don Spurrell of Fougere Menchenton Architecture presented their work to date. They explained that all work present and discussed at the Public Consultation session is all "work in progress" and was being presented to the public to gain feedback. From the feedback the design team could then move on to finalize design concepts and a site.
- ➤ There were 5 sites looked at as identified in the attached site plan. The public present agreed with the design team, that site #5 shown on the attached site plan is the preferred site. The design team will look at this site for soils that can economically support the building and they will work with the town to secure title of the property, should the land seem feasible for development.
- ➤ A concept plan was developed which could fit most sites. A complete redesign would be required for site #3, however that site is not favoured at this point in time. The building plan was liked by the present group and the Client.
- Two options were developed for the Architectural facade treatment;
  - o Option 1 & Option 2 (both attached)
  - The advantages and disadvantages of each scheme were generally discussed as follows:

#### Option 1

#### Advantages:

- The architectural forms used in this scheme are reflections of simple built forms within the community of Trinity. These are the traditional shed styled roof; such is seen on the Green Family Forge and Marine Dock restaurant building. The Architecutre also incorporates the traditional "peak" roof form as seen throughout the community in buildings such as Rising Tide Theatre buildings.
- Simple economical forms to build in wood
- More economical construction cost
- All wood clapboard and wood trims
- Good scale in keeping with the scale of built forms in Trinity.

# Disadvantages:

- One opinion expressed that the building may be a bit too modern looking
- Large glass windows may not be in keeping with the Heritage themes of Trinity.

# Option 2

#### Advantages:

- The design is very much a replica of period forms of Trinity history, mimicking traditional historical facades.
- The scale is good and in keeping with the scale of built forms in Trinity

#### Disadvantages:

- Even though the building replicates historic facades, where this is a new building on a new site, the historical reference may be viewed as whimsical and weak to the public on such a unique (Town Hall) building. We have to be careful not to create "Disney" themed architecture in such a unique place as Trinity.
- More expensive, to build, particularly

where our budget is so limited.

# Meeting conclusions and suggested next steps

- 1. Site 5 will be further look at as a feasible site to develop the New Trinity Town Hall.
- 2. Option 1 will be pursued as the Architectural design for the building appearance with the following caveats:
  - a. The form should incorporate more heritage style word detailing at roof cornices, window trims and tops, frieze boards and toe boards.
  - b. The fenestration should be further studied to be more in keeping with traditional or heritage style detailing.
  - c. Generally soften the modem appearance incorporating more heritage detailing.

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