

## Proposal #2: Responsibilities Retained by the Regional Council

### Origin: Regional Council Commission

#### 1. What is the issue?

Prairie to Pine Regional Council is a geographically large and diverse area. It shares the values of community connections and good stewardship of resources (among others).

Under Section C.3.1.3 of the Manual, Prairie to Pine Regional Council Executive has all the responsibilities of the regional council, unless the regional council decides otherwise.

The issue before the Prairie to Pine Regional Council is to decide if there are responsibilities the council as a whole wishes to retain.

#### 2. Why is this issue important?

The governance model for a geographically large regional council such as PtoP RC needs to be effective and efficient. Balancing that, the model also needs to recognize that health of the regional council requires the individual Communities of Faith to be healthy and that their voices need to be heard.

#### 3. How might Prairie to Pine Regional Council respond to the issue?

Responsibilities that the Prairie to Pine Regional Council Commission has identified that the Prairie to Pine Regional Council might wish to retain are:

- 1) **Setting Regional Assessments.** The manual allows a regional council to set an additional regional assessment for any additional services the regional council wishes to undertake (Section C.2.5 (c)). An additional assessment has a significant impact on the life of the Communities of Faith. If this responsibility is retained by the PtoPRC, the entire body will determine if the additional services are a priority and how they can be funded.
- 2) **Election of members to serve on General Council.** A regional council can determine how the representatives to General Council are elected. By retaining this responsibility, PtoP RC as a whole will decide who will be the eyes, ears and voices to represent the Regional Council at this level. The implication of retaining this responsibility is that the regional council as a whole would be required to meet in person or electronically the year before the meeting of General Council.

If the Regional Council wishes to retain some responsibilities, a possible motion would be:

**That the Prairie to Pine Regional Council specifically retains the responsibilities for xyz**