

**From:** Jennifer Lawrie  
**Sent:** Monday, 18 March 2024 9:01 am  
**To:** Emily Lutz  
**Subject:** FW: Bylaw on trees in our area.

**Importance:** High

Can you please put this on the consent agenda?

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**From:** Donna Coughlan [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 17, 2024 3:21 PM  
**To:** Jennifer Lawrie <jlawrie@kincardine.ca>  
**Subject:** Bylaw on trees in our area.  
**Importance:** High

The Bylaw to be put before you for tree protection is a much needed one in our area. This bylaw is required to help regulate and prohibit the cutting, removal and damage of trees, the issuance of permits for the same, and the requirement for replacement trees and of securities for their provision and maintenance.

Trees produce Oxygen. Trees cut down on noise pollution. Trees help drain off storm flooding. A forest is a carbon storage area or a "sink" that can lock up as much carbon as it produces. This process cuts down on Greenhouse gasses in our world.

Trees clean the soil. Trees give us shade and cool us down on hot days as well as shading buildings. Trees also provide us with windbreaks from heavy winds and storms. They fight erosion in the land.

Our world includes people, yes , however it also houses many species of animals, birds, insects, reptiles, who we should protect as part of our journey in protection of earth as a whole. All beings have purpose.

This is a carefully thought out Bill. This Bill passed will be an important step in the change we need in our municipality and our world.

Responsible environmental forward action equals the protection of vital resources in our municipality and the world.

Thanks for your consideration.

Donna Coughlan