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2026 Livable Tarrytown Questionnaire

1. What are the top five places (e.g., an intersection, a street crossing, a particular roadway) in Sleepy Hollow that you would like to improve for pedestrians and bicyclists? What specific changes do you think would improve each of the sites?

Route 9 Corridor

Beekman & Broadway & Old Broadway & Bedford

Pocantico and Broadway

Fortunately, the state has designed a Complete Streets solution that transforms these into roundabouts. We need these changes to go forward ASAP. Additionally, we need to ensure the incorporation of feedback provided for pedestrian and cyclist safety during the review process. A dedicated cycling lane along Route 9 in the Tarrytowns is critical to encourage cycling and prevent future vehicle congestion.

River Street and Division Street

This popular connector to Edge-on-Hudson and its primary route to the Tarrytown train station suffers from inconsistent lane markings, discontinuous sidewalks, no crosswalks, and two blind corners. All of these need to be addressed to designate a safe pedestrian path to Tarrytown's mass transit hub.

Bedford Road – especially the westernmost portion before Route 9

This steeply graded heavily trafficked route needs to be crossed by parents and children from Webber Park and Briggsville headed to the school complex.

Raised crosswalks with curb extensions for better visibility and to force vehicles to slow.

Downtown: *Cortland & Beekman, Pocantico & Beekman intersections*

These are two of the busiest pedestrian intersections in the village with a continuous stream of vehicle traffic and frequent double parking.

They require fully raised intersections to delineate crosswalks. Additionally permanent heavy bollards must be installed as curb extensions to shorten the intersection for pedestrians while preventing vehicles from stopping, standing, or parking on the corners.

2. From your perspective, please explain why making our streets safe for all neighbors is a matter of equity.

A walkable village requires safe streets that are designed for everyone and all forms of transportation. Streets that are only designed for automobiles are fundamentally inequitable.

3. For candidates who have previously served on the Board of Trustees: over the past term, what initiatives have you voted for that helped make our streets safer for everyone in Sleepy Hollow, no matter their age or physical ability?

N/A– I have not yet served as Trustee

4. Are there ways that you think Sleepy Hollow could or should collaborate with the government of Tarrytown to enhance work on “Safe Streets for All” across the two villages? How?

Cooperation is critical as the two municipalities are really one community. So many of our throughfares and trips traverse both villages. We share many of the same problems and challenges, so we must address them in complementary and not antagonistic ways. Moreover, we should be learning from each other. Specifically, the villages can collaborate on the design of pedestrian and cycling corridors and the placement of Project MOVER stations.

5. Will you commit to walking or biking to and from at least ten Board of Trustees meetings during the upcoming year?

Yes. I almost always walk from the riverfront to downtown anyway.

6. If you believe the current cost of housing in the village is excessive, what specific actions should Village government take to address the situation?

We need more affordable housing and more diversity of new housing construction in the Village; most recent construction has been at the luxury tier. Moreover, it is imperative that our municipal employees and volunteers can afford to live in our village. We can achieve this by incentivizing mixed-income housing in future development. We should be building workforce and affordable housing on land that the Village owns.

7. Can you briefly share your vision for ensuring Sleepy Hollow is an inclusive, thriving, and livable community in the years and decades ahead? What policies would you prioritize to achieve this vision?

Every day I see change, opportunity, and progress in Sleepy Hollow, Westchester’s fastest-growing municipality. I believe the redevelopment of the former GM industrial site provides us with a once-in-a-generation opportunity to harness growth in the right way for all Village residents. We can address generation-long challenges and create a thriving walkable

Village core that works for residents while also supporting our tourism engine. We can achieve that in a manner that preserves the affordability, broad diversity, and rich history of our legendary community.

Development and change will continue, but we must make sure it is realized holistically and with all our residents in mind. Moreover, we need to keep up with the swelling needs of our enlarging community by expanding our municipal services, redeveloping our vacant lots and unimproved parkland, updating our infrastructure, and supporting diverse transportation systems. I am up for the challenge of working to achieve all this in a fiscally responsible manner – we must be optimistic and realistic at the same time!

Rejuvenating our commercial core along Beekman Ave, but also Cortlandt and Valley Streets is critical. This will expand the tax base and reduce the burden placed on property taxes for owners, landlords, and, ultimately, renters. Any growth needs to be accompanied by solutions that address parking, mobility, and public transit challenges. We should be expanding the footprint of Project MOVER while also encouraging other transportation alternatives. An electric shuttle loop service would allow for parking in the periphery to access the Village's core. We must also form a closer relationship with our neighbors in Tarrytown. There is so much we can do with shared services to avoid costly duplication of efforts whether that's combining municipal water pumping systems, combining new DPW sites, or sharing specialized heavy equipment.