Bike Tarrytown

Record of Success

January 14, 2021
Tappan Zee Bridge: Rockland End

Gates are Gone

- Examined drawings
- Found they had gates at end
- Thruway refused to change
- Created 19 group coalition to pressured Governor
- Gates removed from plan
Tappan Zee Bridge: Six Stops

*Thruway Yielded*

- Rendering revealed requiring cyclists to stop at the 6 scenic overlooks
- Sent letter to Governor with 5 other groups signing on
- “Stop” changed to “slow”
Route 9 Active Transportation Plan

A Committee Leader

- Helped write $150,000 grant
- Monitored details
- Applied knowledge of safe infrastructure
- Pushed for best outcomes
- Sleepy Hollow is best in plan
This proposal is part of what was developed by the community via the Route 9 Active Transportation Conceptual Design Plan.
Route 119 Complete Streets Plan

Our Creation

- Obtained $250,000 grant
- Monitoring details
- Applying knowledge of safe infrastructure
- Pushing for best outcomes

rt119complete.org
OCA Crosswalks & Connections Project

Spurred Creation

- Started $300,000 grant
- Drafted scope
- Remove obstructions
- Level surfaces
- Add curb cuts
- Add crosswalks
Sleepy Hollow Bike Parking Ban

Stopped It

- Mayor wanted to “regulate bike share”
- Proposed banning parking bikes > 5 minutes
- Wrote Trustees
- Explained how to actually regulate bike share
Sleepy Hollow Safety

Downtown Traffic Calming

• Part of Environmental Advisory Committee
• Made walking audit and report
• Ran demo project and survey
• Presented results to Mayor and Trustees
Showing Support to Sleepy Hollow Electeds

Shifted Discussion

- Over 20 adults, 10 kids
- 18 speakers
- 35 minutes of great testimony
- 50 emails
- Village eventually passed Route 9 resolution
Tarrytown Bike Law Changes

Wait. Tarrytown wants me to ride... HERE?!

Scaled Back Silly Bans

- Village proposed ban on sidewalk cycling & “taking the lane”
- Mobilized residents
- Wrote testimony
- Provisions enacted are significantly less severe
E-Bike Legalization

Nudged Needle

- Governor's legalization proposal was problematic
- Organized local shop owners to meet Majority Leader staff
- Made two inspirational videos
- Got some provisions changed
More People, More Profits

- Held social event with merchants
- Store owners and advocates talked how to build a better future
- Food & beverage donated by local businesses
Creating Constituency

Public Participation

- 260 people on group list
- $19,000 from 100 donors
- Meetings
Meaningful Media

Various Venues

- 25 articles, op-eds, letters
- 10 Journal News / lohud.com
- 4 News 12
People who bike aren't a fixed number of constituents to be placated

We are an untapped resource to be cultivated