

RT. 1 MEDIANS WIN BY 89 VOTES, WHAT DID WE GET?

(“The medians will CALM traffic.” Former Councilor Tony, I want to be governor, Payne.
“This will be so beautiful for Falmouth.” Former Councilor Bonnie, I’m not a moron,
Rodden.)

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By Editor:

(Editor’s Note: Vacation is over, back to work, and the Maietta case starts this week.)

FTM way back, questioned the wonderfully grass covered medians, nine inches high, ten feet wide, and 80 feet long, barriers.

1. How would snow banks on them be handle

d when cars pulling out of parking lots couldn’t see over the 6 to 8 feet high Rt. 1 dividers?

2. Would frontend loaders be needed to scrape the snow and green lush grass off the 80-foot long medians?

3. Would fire trucks be able to turn the arc from one side of Rt. 1 through the medians to reach a burning business? (Remember when the laundry mat had the gas explosion years ago. What a mess it would have been if the shopping center burned to the ground because a fire truck couldn’t get around the nine inch high medians.)

What happened next in this fiasco was a big dollop of common sense was forced down someone throat. The nine inch high curbs were reduced to inch and a ha

If high beveled borders, the lush green grass was changed to something that looked like hay and could be scraped of snow as needed, and the 80 footers were shortened up a lot.

Finally, reality struck the town’s leadership. What we wound up with are tiny islands at cross walks for people to stand on between the north and southbound lanes. Thank god!

You can see the theory in the first photo and the reality in the second photo, or what you voted for and what you got. For once the smart people voting no win by default.

