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Diana L. Cooley, Town Clerk  
Town of Petersham  
P.O. Box 486  
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**Re: Petersham Annual Town Meeting of June 1, 2015 - Case # 7714  
Warrant Articles # 46 and 47 (Zoning)**

Dear Ms. Cooley:

**Articles 46 and 47** – We approve Articles 46 and 47 from the Petersham Annual Town Meeting of June 1, 2015.

**Note: Pursuant to G.L. c. 40, § 32, neither general nor zoning by-laws take effect unless the town has first satisfied the posting/publishing requirements of that statute. Once this statutory duty is fulfilled, (1) general by-laws and amendments take effect on the date that these posting and publishing requirements are satisfied unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law, and (2) zoning by-laws and amendments are deemed to have taken effect from the date they were voted by Town Meeting, unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law.**

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