Town of Rockland Planning Board January 5, 2011

Present: Chairman Thomas Ellison, James Severing, Richard Barnhart, Chris Andreola

Absent: Carol Park, Phil Vallone and Nancy Hobbs

Also present: Supervisor Ed Weitmann and Charles Irace Code Enforcement Officer

Chairman Ellison opened the meeting with the pledge to the flag. Rick?s appointment expired on December 31, 2010 and he will be re-appointed at the Town Board meeting on January 6th. As there is not a quorum of members present this will be a meeting for discussion only.

Mr. Elwin Wood informed the Board that the Sonoma Falls produce market did not do well in the VFW building near Route 17 and so has been re-located to the cider mill building. The agriculture permit for the venue expired December 31, 2010 and he did not renew it for that space.

He would like to use the upper building as office space for his various businesses. This is an accessory use building to the main operation. There would be less traffic in and out of the property and less use of water and septic. There were no objections raised by the Board. Mr. Wood was advised to see Mr. Irace for a permit.

Mr. Thomas Ward submitted supporting documents for renovations to the Wood home on Hunter Lake. These were reviewed by Wes Illing and Mr. Ellison and approved as meeting code. Mr. & Mrs. Wood can obtain a permit from the Code Enforcement Officer to continue the project.

Both Mr. Ellison and Mr. Irace had received calls concerning excessive noise and activity at the Deckertown Garage after posted hours of operation. Mr. Irace spoke to Mr. Genovese about this and advised him to adhere to the conditions of his special use permit. His permit will be renewable in June.

The Senior Housing project has been completed and is open for residential occupation. There are several units rented at this time with more coming this month. The Chairman will check with Wes Illing to see if they are in compliance with the storm water issues and release the balance of the escrow account. There are still issues to be resolved concerning a foot bridge but 2 + 4 Construction is more than willing to build one.

Supervisor Weitmann advised the Board that a contract for services will be renewed with Wes Illing as engineer for the town in an on call basis

With no further items to discuss the meeting was closed.