

## Planning Board Minutes

April 4, 2023

**Chairperson Stephen Greenwald** welcomed everyone to the March 2, 2023, meeting of the Amityville Planning Board at 7:00 P.M.

Members Present: Stephen Greenwald, Chairperson  
Mary D'Andrea, Member  
Kelly Medwig, Member  
Laura Ellis, Member  
Amanda Lowe, Member

Other Attendees: Michael Breitweg, Building Inspector  
Justin Kennedy, Alternate Member  
Melanie Macomber, Secretary to the Board

The Board and attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Chairperson Greenwald** informed applicants that they are hereby notified that all agreed upon concessions, promises, pledges, assurances, or declarations given by them or their duly appointed agents, during their hearing process shall become stipulations to any approvals given by this Board.

**Chairperson Greenwald** informed the applicants that they must adhere to the plans submitted in conjunction with this application as approved by The Board, any deviation from the approved plans may require the application to be re-called by this Board. Additionally, the applicant must stick to the plans that were discussed; any plans that deviate from what is being presented or discussed tonight must be submitted to the building inspector and may require applicant to come before this board again. The applicant must obtain building permits once the plans are approved by the building inspector, the applicant.

**Chairperson Greenwald** motioned to approve the March 2, 2023, Planning Board Minutes.

Vote on Motion:	Stephen Greenwald, Chairperson	aye
	Mary D'Andrea	aye
	Amanda Lowe, Member	aye
	Kelly Medwig, Member	aye
	Laura Ellis, Member	aye

Motion carried: 5 ayes 0 nays.

APPLICATION OF ALEX & ERIN GONZALEZ: Applicants seek architectural review and approval associated with the erection of an outdoor seating gazebo pursuant to Section 24-6 A. (1) (g) of the Village Code. Premises located on the West side of Park Ave approximately 108 ft. North of Ireland Pl in a Historical district known as 178 Park Ave a/k/a SCTM#101-5-2-23.

Applicants Erin and Alex Gonzales introduced themselves to the Board and described the premise of the project.

**Mr. Alex Gonzales** would like to have a permanent structure that would allow them to have outdoor dining throughout the year. The electrical gazebo will enable the applicant to open and close the structure in the event of inclement weather.

**Chairperson Greenwald:** Inquired about the function of the slots.

**Mr. Alex Gonzales:** replied that the structure is heavy gauged aluminum, powder coated, and comes in various colors (samples provided) would be a great feature for revenue purposes.

**Chairperson Greenwald:** addressed the approval for the outdoor deck, and the need to go before the ZBA for the egress with the building next door. Approval was given by the ZBA.

**Mr. Alex Gonzales:** responded that they were waiting for the results of today's meeting to move forward with the ZBA approval.

Discussion regarding the wall on the south side be moving moved 40 (forty) inches took place.

**Chairperson Greenwald:** Questioned what the timeline is for the work to be completed.

**Mr. Gonzales:** replied that the contractor said three to four weeks. Its more of a timeline for the product which would need to be custom ordered from New Zealand. Overall, the project should take 10 (ten) weeks to complete.

**Mr. Gonzales:** discussed how the product functioned. The top movers rotate on spindles and open and close and are electrical. The structure is waterproof and has a drainage system that is built into the structure. The structure is done with self-tapping hex screws. The post will go in with concrete footings, depth will depend on what the building code requires.

Discussion regarding the layout of the structure was to have nothing outside the perimeter of the deck.

**Member D'Andrea:** questioned what color would be used.

**Mr. Gonzales:** replied that four different colors were available, the applicant was leaning either towards white for the color selection.

There was mention of how the white would reflect from the sun. Color would need to be selected to approve the application.

**Chairperson Greenwald:** asked for clarification on the rendering presented to the Board.

**Mr. Gonzales:** mentioned that there are different accessories that can be added to the sides of the structure, which would all be electrical and moved up and down from the soffit.

**Chairperson Greenwald:** questioned what would be in place of the bottom of the structure.

**Mr. Gonzales:** replied basically a knee wall would be used on the bottom part of the structure.

**Member Ellis:** proposed that the knee wall stay in place, and inquired where the post would be placed.

**Mr. Gonzales:** replied that the post would be inside.

**Member D'Andrea:** suggested that the vertical post be in white.

The applicant agreed.

The application was open to comments from the Board.

**Member D'Andrea:** mentioned that it would bring privacy to the outdoor dining area.

The application was opened to the public.

**Ms. Joan Donnison:** wanted clarification on the deck, to be approved as a permanent structure.

**Building Inspector Breitweg:** application was approved by the ZBA.

**Chairperson Greenwald:** questioned the height of the structure.

**Mr. Gonzales:** replied that the overall height of the structure would 9'1" minus 2' which would go below the deck. The deck is a floating deck, leaving 8' 1".

**Inspector Breitweg:** Recommended architectural plans be drawn up to ensure the safety and integrity of the structure.

Inaudible discussion.

**Chairperson Greenwald** moved that the Board accept this application with the following stipulation which was seconded.

Stipulations:

1. Finalize ZBA requirement by moving the structure the 40 (forty) required inches. Should also be reflected in the plans.
2. New architectural plans are to be submitted to the Building Department to include both the deck and pergola together from either a licensed architect or engineer.
3. Structure must have concrete footings for support from inclement weather.
4. The entire structure is to be made from powder coated aluminum, including the levees on the top.
5. The vertical post and pergola will be white.

Vote on Motion:	Stephen Greenwald, Chairperson	aye
	Mary D'Andrea	aye
	Amanda Lowe, Member	aye
	Kelly Medwig, Member	aye
	Laura Ellis, Member	aye

Motion carried: 5 ayes 0 nays.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made and approved at 7:17 PM

