



**FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION
ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD**

APPELLANT: Leonard & Christie Detrick
DOCKET NO.: 14-02100.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 06-21-129-002

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Leonard & Christie Detrick, the appellants; and the DeKalb County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented in this matter, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds **No Change** in the assessment of the property as established by the **DeKalb** County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

LAND: \$15,787
IMPR.: \$78,981
TOTAL: \$94,768

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

Statement of Jurisdiction

The appellants timely filed the appeal from a decision of the DeKalb County Board of Review pursuant to section 16-160 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-160) challenging the assessment for the 2014 tax year. The Property Tax Appeal Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of the appeal.

Findings of Fact

The subject property consists of a two-story brick and frame dwelling that contains 3,401 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 2004. Features include an unfinished basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace and a 668 square foot garage. The subject parcel has a .24 acre site. The subject property is located in Sycamore Township, DeKalb County, Illinois.

The appellants claimed overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellants submitted three comparable properties located in close proximity to the subject. The comparables consist of two-story dwellings of brick and frame exterior construction that are 7 to 9 years old. Features had varying degrees of similarity when compared to the subject. The dwellings range in size from 3,100 to 3,457 square feet of living area and are situated on sites that contain from .29 to .53 of an acre of land area. The comparables sold from July 2010 to March 2012 for prices ranging from \$196,000 to \$390,000 or from \$59.51 to \$112.81 per square

foot of living area including land. Based on this evidence, the appellants requested a reduction in the subject's assessment.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the subject's final assessment of \$94,768. The subject's assessment reflects an estimated market value of \$284,418 or \$83.63 per square foot of living area including land when applying DeKalb County's 2014 three-year average median level of assessment of 33.32% as determined by the Illinois Department of Revenue. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.50(c)(1).

In support of the subject's assessment, the board of review submitted an analysis of five comparable sales located in close proximity to the subject. The comparables consist of two-story dwellings of frame or brick and frame exterior construction that are 1 to 9 years old. Features had varying degrees of similarity when compared to the subject. The dwellings range in size from 2,471 to 3,336 square feet of living area and are situated on sites that contain from .28 or .32 of an acre of land area. The comparables sold from July or October of 2013 for prices ranging from \$267,000 to \$351,767 or from \$96.78 to \$112.59 per square foot of living area including land. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

Conclusion of Law

The appellants contend the market value of the subject property is not accurately reflected in its assessed valuation. When market value is the basis of the appeal the value of the property must be proved by a preponderance of the evidence. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.63(e). Proof of market value may consist of an appraisal of the subject property, a recent sale, comparable sales or construction costs. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.65(c). The Board finds the appellants did not meet this burden of proof.

The parties submitted eight comparable sales for the Board's consideration. The Board gave less weight to the comparables submitted by the appellants. These comparables sold from 2010 to 2012, which are dated and less indicative of market value as of the subject's January 1, 2014 assessment date. The Board finds the comparables submitted by the board of review are somewhat similar when compared to the subject in location, land area, design, age, dwelling size, and features. More importantly, these properties sold more proximate in time to the subject's assessment date. These comparables sold from July to October of 2013 for prices ranging from \$267,000 to \$351,767 or from \$96.78 to \$112.59 per square foot of living area including land. The subject's assessment reflects an estimated market value of \$284,418 or \$83.63 per square foot of living area including land, which falls below the range established by the most similar comparable sales contained in this record on a per square foot basis. Therefore, no reduction in the subject's assessed valuation is warranted.

This is a final administrative decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board which is subject to review in the Circuit Court or Appellate Court under the provisions of the Administrative Review Law (735 ILCS 5/3-101 et seq.) and section 16-195 of the Property Tax Code.



Chairman



Member



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Member

Member

DISSENTING: _____

CERTIFICATION

As Clerk of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board and the keeper of the Records thereof, I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and complete Final Administrative Decision of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board issued this date in the above entitled appeal, now of record in this said office.

Date: July 22, 2016



Clerk of the Property Tax Appeal Board

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code provides in part:

"If the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessment of a particular parcel after the deadline for filing complaints with the Board of Review or after adjournment of

the session of the Board of Review at which assessments for the subsequent year are being considered, the taxpayer may, within 30 days after the date of written notice of the Property Tax Appeal Board's decision, appeal the assessment for the subsequent year directly to the Property Tax Appeal Board."

In order to comply with the above provision, YOU MUST FILE A PETITION AND EVIDENCE WITH THE PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE ENCLOSED DECISION IN ORDER TO APPEAL THE ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPERTY FOR THE SUBSEQUENT YEAR.

Based upon the issuance of a lowered assessment by the Property Tax Appeal Board, the refund of paid property taxes is the responsibility of your County Treasurer. Please contact that office with any questions you may have regarding the refund of paid property taxes.