

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Anna Bentkowski DOCKET NO.: 16-04116.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 15-15-200-011

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Anna Bentkowski, the appellant; and the Lake 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 **Lake** County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

**LAND:** \$53,872 **IMPR.:** \$54,462 **TOTAL:** \$108,334

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

# **Statement of Jurisdiction**

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a decision of the Lake County Board of Review pursuant to section 16-160 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-160) challenging the assessment for the 2016 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 dwelling of frame and brick exterior construction with 1,819 square feet of living area. The dwelling was built in 1960. Features of the home include an unfinished basement, one fireplace and a 484 square foot garage. The property has a 58,370 square foot site and is located in Lincolnshire, Vernon Township, Lake County.

The appellant contends assessment inequity as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted information on four equity comparables. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's total assessment.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the subject's final assessment of \$108,334. In support of the subject's assessment, the board of review submitted a copy of the Final Administrative Decision rendered by the Property Tax Appeal Board for the 2015 tax year in Docket No. 15-03165.001-R-1 in which the subject's assessment

was reduced to \$101,313. The board of review explained that the tax year 2015 was the beginning of the general assessment period that runs through the 2018 tax year. The board of review submitted evidence disclosing the subject's 2016 total assessment was reduced from \$119,814 to \$108,334 through a Certificate of Error for the 2016 assessment year. The board of review contends the subject's assessment for the 2016 tax year is equivalent to the assessment as established by the Property Tax Appeal Board's prior year's decision plus application of the township equalization factor of 1.0693 in accordance with Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-185). Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

# **Conclusion of Law**

The Property Tax Appeal Board takes notice that the subject property was the matter of an appeal before the Board for the 2015 tax year under Docket Number 15-03165.001-R-1. In the appeal, the Property Tax Appeal Board rendered a decision reducing the subject's assessment to \$101,313 based on an agreement of the parties. The Property Tax Appeal Board finds that Lake County's general assessment period began in the 2015 tax year and runs through the 2018 tax year. The Lake County board of review disclosed that for the 2016 tax year, a township equalization factor of 1.0693 was applied in Vernon Township. The Board finds Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code controls in this matter.

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 on which a residence occupied by the owner is situated, such reduced assessment, subject to equalization, shall remain in effect for the remainder of the general assessment period as provided in Sections 9-215 through 9-225, unless that parcel is subsequently sold in an arm's length transaction establishing a fair cash value for the parcel that is different from the fair cash value on which the Board's assessment is based, or unless the decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board is reversed or modified upon review. (35 ILCS 200/16-185)

The Board finds this record disclosed the subject property is an owner-occupied residence and the 2015 through 2018 tax years are in the same general assessment period. An equalization factor of 1.0693 was applied in Vernon Township for the 2016 tax year. Furthermore, the 2015 decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board was not reversed or modified upon review and there was no evidence the property sold establishing a different fair cash value. Applying section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-185) to the Board's prior 2015 decision, results in an assessment of \$108,334. (\$101,313 x 1.0693 = \$108,334). The subject's 2016 assessment is \$108,334. Considering the statutory provisions of section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code, the Property Tax Appeal Board finds a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted.

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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. Pursuant to Section 1910.50(d) of the rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board (86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.50(d)) the proceeding before the Property Tax Appeal Board is terminated when the decision is rendered. The Property Tax Appeal Board does not require any motion or request for reconsideration.

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As Clerk of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board a hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and con	=

Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board issued this date in the above entitled appeal, now of record in this

Date: January 21, 2020

Clerk of the Property Tax Appeal Board

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#### **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 or years of the same general assessment period, as provided in Sections 9-125 through 9-225, 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 such subsequent year or years directly to the Property Tax Appeal Board."

In order to comply with the above provision, YOU MUST FILE A <u>PETITION AND EVIDENCE</u> 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 OR YEARS. A separate petition and evidence must be filed for each of the remaining years of the general assessment period.

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.

# PARTIES OF RECORD

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