

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Michael Marr DOCKET NO.: 17-01870.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 11-29-201-063

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Michael Marr, the appellant, by attorney Ronald Kingsley, of Lake County Real Estate Tax Appeal, LLC in Lake Forest, and the Lake County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented in this matter, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds <u>no change</u> 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:** \$ 62,777 **IMPR.:** \$136,640 **TOTAL:** \$199,417

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 2017 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 brick exterior construction with 2,754 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 2001. Features of the home include a full unfinished basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace, an attached 688 square foot garage and a 648 square foot in-ground swimming pool. The property has an 11,717 square foot site on a golf course and is located in Vernon Hills, Libertyville Township, Lake County.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted information on three comparable sales located from .98 of a mile to 1.26-miles from the subject property. The comparables consist of two-story dwellings of brick exterior construction that were built in 1998 or 2001. The homes range in size from 3,006 to 3,194 square feet of living area and feature full unfinished basements, central air conditioning and a garage ranging in size from 420 to 688 square feet of building area. Two of the

comparables each have a fireplace. The comparables sold between June and August 2016 for prices ranging from \$516,500 to \$575,000 or from \$169.96 to \$189.62 per square foot of living area, including land.

Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a total assessment that would reflect a market value of \$514,308 or \$186.75 per square foot of living area, including land, at the statutory level of assessment of 33.33%.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$199,417. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$601,560 or \$218.43 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the 2017 three year average median level of assessment for Lake County of 33.15% as determined by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on three comparable sales located from .099 of a mile to 1.312-miles from the subject property. The comparables consist of two-story dwellings of brick exterior construction that were built in 1998 or 2001. The homes range in size from 2,746 to 2,762 square feet of living area and feature unfinished basements, central air conditioning and a garage of either 672 or 688 square feet of building area. Two of the comparables each have a fireplace. The comparables sold in June 2016 or June 2017 for prices ranging from \$517,000 to \$550,000 or from \$187.18 to \$200.29 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 appellant contends 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 appellant did not meet this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted.

The parties submitted a total of six comparable sales to support their respective positions before the Property Tax Appeal Board. The six comparables presented by the parties have varying degrees of similarity to the subject property in terms of age, design, exterior construction, size and foundation; none of the comparables has the in-ground swimming pool amenity of the subject property. The comparables sold from June 2016 to June 2017 for prices ranging from \$516,500 to \$575,000 or from \$169.96 to \$200.29 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$601,560 or \$218.43 per square foot of living area, including land, which is above the comparable sales in this record but appears to be logical given the subject's pool amenity and location on the golf course. Based on this evidence the Board finds a reduction in the subject's assessment is not justified.

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 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: April 21, 2020

Mauro Morian

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 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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