



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

APPELLANT: Kaumil Dalal
DOCKET NO.: 17-02444.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 15-05-309-057

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Kaumil Dalal, 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 **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: \$ 27,802
IMPR.: \$107,146
TOTAL: \$134,948

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 wood siding exterior construction that has 2,672 square feet of living area. The dwelling was built in 2003. The home features a partial finished basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace, 3.5 bathrooms and a 483 square foot attached garage. The subject property has a 5,193 square foot site. The subject property is located in Vernon Township, Lake County.

The appellant submitted evidence before the Property Tax Appeal Board claiming overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted three comparable sales located within .11 of a mile from the subject. The comparables consist of two-story dwellings of wood siding exterior construction that were built in 2003. One comparable has a partial finished basement and two comparables have an unfinished basement. The comparables have central air conditioning, one fireplace, 2.5 bathrooms and a garage that has 481 or 493

square feet of building area. The dwellings have 2,672 square feet of living area and are situated on sites that range in size from 4,998 to 5,848 square feet of land area. The comparables sold in June 2016 or May 2017 for prices ranging from \$370,000 to \$400,000 or from \$138.47 to \$149.70 per square foot of living area including land. Based on this evidence, the appellant 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 \$134,948. The subject's assessment reflects an estimated market value of \$407,083 or \$152.35 per square foot of living area including land when applying the 2017 three-year average median level of assessment for Lake County of 33.15% as determine by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

In support of the subject's assessment, the board of review submitted five comparable sales located within .245 of a mile from the subject. One comparable was also utilized by the appellant. The comparables consist of two-story dwellings of wood siding exterior construction that were built from 2002 to 2004. One comparable has an unfinished basement and four comparables have a partial finished basement. Each comparable has central air conditioning; four comparables have a fireplace; from 2.5 to 3.5 bathrooms; and each comparable has a garage that range in size from 420 to 493 square feet of building area. The dwellings contain 2,592 or 2,672 square feet of living area and are situated on sites that range in size from 4,998 to 5,934 square feet of land area. The comparables sold from June 2016 to September 2018 for prices ranging from \$398,000 to \$400,000 or from \$149.66 to \$153.94 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 failed to meet this burden of proof and no reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted.

The parties submitted seven comparable sales for the Board's consideration. The Board gave less weight to the comparables #1 and #2 submitted the appellant due to the fact they each have one less bathroom and comparable #2 has an unfinished basement, inferior when compared to the subject. The Board gave less weight to comparable #3 submitted by the board of review due to its inferior unfinished basement and one less bathroom when compared to the subject. Moreover, this comparable sold in 2018, well past and less proximate in time to the subject's January 1, 2017 assessment date. The Board finds the remaining comparable submitted by the appellant and the four comparables submitted by the board of review, which includes the common comparable, are more similar when compared to the subject in location, land area, design, age, dwelling size, number of bathrooms and features. These comparables sold from June 2016 to November 2017 for prices ranging from \$398,250 to \$400,000 or from \$149.66 to \$153.94 per square foot of living area including land. The subject's assessment reflects an estimated market value of \$407,083 or \$152.35 per square foot of living area including land,

which falls above the range established by the most similar comparable sales on an overall basis but within the range on a per square foot basis. After considering the any necessary adjustments to the comparables for differences when compared to the subject, the Board finds the subject's estimated market value as reflected by its assessment is justified. Therefore, no reduction in the subject's assessment 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. 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.



Chairman



Member



Member



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: August 18, 2020



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 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 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.

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