

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT:	Paul Monfardini
DOCKET NO.:	17-03184.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.:	01-01-300-009

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Paul Monfardini, the appellant, by attorney Robert Rosenfeld, of Robert H. Rosenfeld and Associates, LLC in Chicago; 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:	\$52,529
IMPR.:	\$127,898
TOTAL:	\$180,427

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 2-story dwelling of wood siding exterior construction with 2,622 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 2007. Features of the home include an unfinished basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace, a 638 square foot attached garage and a 2,352 square foot pole barn. The property has a 24,829 square foot site and is located in Antioch, Antioch 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 within 2.0 miles from the subject property, none of which are located in the subject's neighborhood name. The comparables have sites range in size from 8,276 to 13,503 square feet of land area and are improved with 2-story dwellings of wood siding exterior construction that range in size from 2,535 to 2,870 square feet of living area. The homes were built in 2003 or 2004. Each

comparable has a basement, two with finished area; central air conditioning; one fireplace and attached garage that range from 420 to 792 square feet of building area. The comparables sold from May 2015 to March 2017 for prices that range from \$215,000 to \$275,000 or from \$82.75 to \$103.77 per square foot of living area, land included. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's assessment be reduced to \$80,428.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$180,427. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$544,275 or \$207.58 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 within 5.10 miles from the subject property with two comparables located on the same lake as the subject and one on another lake in Antioch. The comparables have sites that range in size from 22,651 to 57,934 square feet of land area that are improved with 1.25 or 2-story dwellings of wood siding exterior construction that range in size from 2,492 to 3,035 square feet of living area. The homes were built from 1955 to 2003. Each comparable has a basement, one with finished area; central air conditioning; one to three fireplaces and an attached garage that range in size from 440 to 1,254 square feet of building area. The comparables sold from July 2015 to March 2017 for prices that range from \$521,200 to \$620,000 or from \$171.73 to \$242.78 per square foot of living area, land included.

The board of review also submitted plat maps for the subject and the board of review comparables which provide a visual depiction of properties' lakefront locations. Additionally, the board of review noted that the appellant's comparables #1 and #2 back up to an association retention pond and the appellant's comparable #3 had no lakefront. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested the subject's assessment be confirmed.

## **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 six comparables for the Board's consideration. No comparable has a pole barn feature present on the subject site. The Board gives minimal weight to the appellant's comparables based on smaller site size and/or lack of lakefront. The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the board of review comparable sales #1 through #3 which are considered similar to the subject in terms of their lakefront locations, dwelling size and features. These most similar comparables sold from July 2015 to March 2017 for prices that range from \$521,200 to \$620,000 or from \$171.73 to \$242.78 per square foot of living area, land included. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$544,275 or from \$207.58 per square foot of living area, including land, which falls within the range established by the best comparable sales

in this record. After considering adjustments to the comparables for differences with the subject, 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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## 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:

May 26, 2020

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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</u> <u>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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