



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

APPELLANT: Anthony Bedell
DOCKET NO.: 19-04506.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 11-32-207-030

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Anthony Bedell, 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: \$55,928
IMPR.: \$128,403
TOTAL: \$184,331

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 2019 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 with 2,999 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1999. Features of the home include a basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace and a 506 square foot garage. The property has a 16,104 square foot site 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 .14 to .34 of a mile from the subject property and within the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject. The comparables have sites that range in size from 10,020 to 10,658 square feet of land area. The comparables are improved with two-story dwellings of brick and frame exterior construction, each built in 1999 with either 3,195 or 3,577 square feet of living area. The comparables each

have a basement, central air conditioning and a garage with 620 or 649 square feet of building area. Two comparables have one or two fireplaces. The properties sold from March 2018 to July 2019 for prices ranging from \$505,000 to \$540,000 or from \$150.96 to \$168.39 per square foot of living area, including land. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's assessment be reduced to \$163,929, which would reflect a market value of \$491,836 or \$164.00 per square foot of living area, including land, when using 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 \$184,331. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$560,447 or \$186.88 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the 2019 three-year average median level of assessment for Lake County of 32.89% as determined by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted a grid analysis and property record cards for the subject and five comparable sales located from .14 of a mile to 1.24 miles from the subject property, three of which are within the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject. The comparables have sites that range in size from 9,900 to 14,440 square feet of land area. The comparables are improved with two-story dwellings of brick exterior construction ranging in size from 2,721 to 3,039 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built from 1998 to 2001, with comparable #4 having a reported effective age of 2003. Each comparable has a basement, central air conditioning and a garage that ranges in size from 420 to 688 square feet of building area. Four comparables each have one or two fireplaces. The properties sold from April 2018 to August 2020 for prices ranging from \$525,000 to \$565,000 or from \$179.34 to \$197.72 per square foot of living area, including land. The board of review noted that the subject's site size ranges from 10.3% to 38.5% larger in land area than its comparable sales. The board of review asserted that all of its comparables are located in the "Greggs Landing" development and are similar in overall market appeal. 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 record contains eight suggested comparable sales for the Board's consideration. The Board gives less weight to the appellant's comparable #1 due to its larger dwelling size when compared to the subject. The Board gives reduced weight to board of review comparables #1 and #2 as their sales occurred less proximate in time to the lien date at issue than the other comparable sales in the record. The Board also gives reduced weight to board of review comparable #5 due to its distant location from the subject being more than one mile away.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the appellant's comparables #2 and #3, along with board of review comparables #3 and #4. These comparables are relatively similar to the subject in location, dwelling size, design, age and features. The comparables sold from March 2018 to July 2019 for prices ranging from \$505,000 to \$545,000 or from \$158.06 to \$197.72 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$560,447 or \$186.88 per square foot of living area, including land, which falls within the range established by the best comparable sales in the record both in terms of overall market value and on a price per square foot basis. After considering adjustments to the comparables for differences from the subject, the Board finds no reduction in the subject's estimated market value as reflected by its 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: January 18, 2022



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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