

## FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT:	Jeanette Rose
DOCKET NO.:	19-06662.001-R-1
PARCEL NO .:	15-04-311-005

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Jeanette Rose, the appellant, by attorney Gregory Riggs, of Tax Appeals Lake County in Lake Zurich, and the Lake County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented in this matter, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds *a reduction* 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:	\$25,474
IMPR.:	\$83,770
TOTAL:	\$109,244

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 tri-level style dwelling of wood siding exterior construction with 1,898 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1977. Features of the home include a lower level, central air conditioning, a fireplace and a 462 square foot garage. The property has a 9,470 square foot site and is located in Vernon Hills, Vernon Township, Lake County.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted information on four comparable sales located in the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject property. The parcels range in size from 7,350 to 9,330 square feet of land area which are improved with tri-level style dwellings of wood siding exterior construction. Each home was built in 1977 or 1978 and contains 1,802 square feet of living area. Each dwelling has a lower-level, central air conditioning and a garage containing 462 square feet

of building area. Three of the comparables each have a fireplace. The properties sold from April 2018 to April 2019 for prices ranging from \$307,500 to \$349,000 or from \$170.64 to \$193.67 per square foot of living area, including land.

Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduced total assessment of \$110,456, which would reflect a market value of approximately \$331,401 or \$174.61 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 \$125,255. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$380,830 or \$200.65 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 information on three comparable sales of properties located in the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject property along with a copy of the subject's property record card. The parcels range in size from 7,350 to 9,190 square feet of land area which are improved with unknown story-height dwellings of wood siding exterior construction. No data on age, dwelling size or other features is provided in the grid analysis. Each dwelling has a lower-level and a garage containing 462 square feet of building area. The properties sold from June 2018 to April 2019 for prices ranging from \$376,500 to \$400,000 or reportedly from \$198.37 to \$219.20 per square foot of living area, including land.

# **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 met this burden of proof and a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted.

The parties submitted total of seven comparable sales located in the same assessment neighborhood code to support their respective positions before the Property Tax Appeal Board. The Board has given reduced weight to the board of review comparables due to the lack of story height/design, dwelling size, age and/or other characteristic details to allow the Board to make a meaningful analysis of the comparable data that was presented.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the appellant's comparable sales which are highly similar to the subject in location, design, dwelling size, age and most features. These most similar comparables sold from April 2018 to April 2019 for prices ranging from \$307,500 to \$349,000 or from \$170.64 to \$193.67 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$380,830 or \$200.65 per square foot of living area, including land, which is above the range established by the best comparable sales in this record and appears to be excessive. While the subject dwelling is somewhat larger than the best comparables, it is otherwise highly similar to the best comparables in design, exterior

construction, age and features. Based on this evidence and after considering adjustments to the best comparables for differences when compared to the subject, the Board finds a reduction in the subject's assessment is 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.

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:

May 17, 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 <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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