



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

APPELLANT: Mary Kamps
DOCKET NO.: 20-00770.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 13-14-302-007

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Mary Kamps, 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 **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: \$72,627
IMPR.: \$167,031
TOTAL: \$239,658

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 2020 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 and brick exterior construction with 4,246 square feet of living area.¹ The dwelling was constructed in 1999 and is approximately 21 years old. Features of the home include a full basement with finished area, central air conditioning, one fireplace and a 1,008 square foot garage. Other improvements include a wood deck. The property has an approximate 133,381 square feet site and is located in North Barrington, Cuba Township, Lake County.

The appellant contends assessment inequity, with respect to the improvement assessments, as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted information on four

¹ The Board finds the best description of the subject's design, dwelling size, and other improvements was reported in the subject's property record card, submitted by the board of review, which contains a sketch and measurements of the subject's improvement.

equity comparables located in the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject and located from .04 to 1.85 miles from the subject. The comparables are improved with two-story dwellings of Dryvit or wood siding exterior construction that range in size from 3,490 to 4,553 square feet of living area. The homes range in age from 28 to 37 years old. Each comparable has a full or partial basement, three of which have finished area and one being a walk-out. Each comparable has central air conditioning, from one to three fireplaces, and a garage ranging in size from 750 to 996 square feet of building area. The comparables have improvement assessments that range from \$118,857 to \$173,917 or from \$31.77 to \$39.22 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's total assessment be reduced to \$207,700 with an improvement assessment of \$135,073 or \$31.81 per square foot of living area.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$234,091. The subject property has an improvement assessment of \$161,464 or \$38.03 per square foot of living area. In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted information on five equity comparables with the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject and located from .49 to 1.71 miles from the subject. The comparables are improved with two-story dwellings of brick or brick and stucco exterior construction that range in size from 3,910 to 4,453 square feet of living area. The homes were built from 2001 to 2006. The comparables each have a full basement with finished area, four of which are walk-out style. Each comparable has central air conditioning, from two to five fireplaces, a garage ranging in size from 744 to 1,110 square feet of building area, and a wood deck. Comparable #2 has a gazebo. The comparables have improvement assessments that range from \$198,964 to \$229,922 or from \$44.68 to \$55.90 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested the subject's assessment be confirmed.

Conclusion of Law

The appellant contends assessment inequity as the basis of the appeal. When unequal treatment in the assessment process is the basis of the appeal, the inequity of the assessments must be proved by clear and convincing evidence 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.63(e). Proof of unequal treatment in the assessment process should consist of documentation of the assessments, for the assessment year in question, of not less than three comparable properties showing the similarity, proximity and lack of distinguishing characteristics of the assessment comparables to the subject property. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.65(b). 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 nine suggested equity comparables for the Board's consideration. The Board gives less weight to the appellant's comparables as well as board of review comparables #1, #4 and #5 which differ from the subject in location, unfinished basement, age and/or dwelling size.

The Board finds the best evidence of assessment equity to be board of review comparables #2 and #3 which are more similar to the subject in location, age, dwelling size and most features. These comparables have improvement assessments of \$209,583 and \$229,922 or \$47.07 and \$55.90 per square foot of living area, respectively. The subject's improvement assessment of \$161,464 or \$38.03 per square foot of living area falls below the improvement assessments of

the two best comparables in the record. Based on the record and after considering appropriate adjustments to the two best comparables for differences from the subject, the Board finds the appellant did not demonstrate with clear and convincing evidence that the subject's improvement was inequitably assessed and a reduction in the subject's improvement 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.



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: September 20, 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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