

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: David Gompert
DOCKET NO.: 20-04962.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 07-30-311-009

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are David Gompert, 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: \$9,774 **IMPR.:** \$55,076 **TOTAL:** \$64,850

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 is improved with a bi-level/raised ranch style dwelling of wood siding exterior construction with 1,028 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1987. Features of the home include a lower level with finished area, central air conditioning, and a 960 square foot garage. The property has an approximately 8,230 square foot site and is located in Grayslake, Warren 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 with the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject property and located from 0.41 of a mile to 1.40 miles from the subject. The comparables have sites that range in size from 8,564 to 9,374 square feet of land area. The comparables are improved with 1-story dwellings with either 1,080 or 1,220 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built from 1977 to 1992. The appellant provided an

MLS listing sheet for comparable #3 that disclosed the dwelling had an English basement with finished area. Each comparable has central air conditioning and a garage ranging in size from 480 to 556 square feet of building area. Two comparables each have one fireplace. Comparable #3 was also reported to be rehabbed in 2019. The properties sold from March to September 2019 for prices ranging from \$205,000 to \$240,000 or from \$184.43 to \$196.72 per square foot of living area, land included. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested an assessment reduction.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$64,850. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$194,803 or \$189.50 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the 2020 three-year average median level of assessment for Lake County of 33.29% 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 with the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject property and located from 0.42 of a mile to 1.41 miles from the subject. Board of review comparable #2 is the same property as the appellant's comparable #2, which was previously described. Board of review comparables #1 and #3 have sites with either 10,020 or 11,660 square feet of land area. The comparables are improved with bi-level/raised ranch style dwellings of wood siding exterior construction with either 1,080 or 1,264 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built in 1978 or 1987. Each comparable has a lower level with finished area, central air conditioning, and a garage with 460 or 838 square feet of building area. The two properties sold in August 2019 and September 2020 for prices of \$260,650 and \$237,100 or for \$219.54 and \$206.21 per square foot of living area, land included, respectively. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested the subject's assessment be sustained.

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 five suggested comparable sales for the Board's consideration, which includes the parties' one common comparable. The Board gives less weight to the appellant's comparables #1 and #3 as well as board of review comparable #3 which are located over one from the subject and thus are less proximate in location to the subject than the other comparables in the record.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be the parties' two remaining comparables, which includes the parties' common comparable. These comparables are similar to the subject in location, age, dwelling size, and some features. The two properties sold in June 2019 and September 2020 for prices of \$205,000 and \$237,100 or for \$189.81 and \$219.54 per square foot of living area, land included, respectively. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of

\$194,803 or \$189.50 per square foot of living area, land included, which falls below the two best comparables sales in the record. Based on the record, the Board finds a reduction in the subject's estimated market value as reflected by its assessment is not 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.

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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.

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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 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.

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