

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Nick Krejci

DOCKET NO.: 20-07474.001-R-1 PARCEL NO.: 07-12-309-005

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Nick Krejci, the appellant, by attorney Brian P. Liston, of the Law Offices of Liston & Tsantilis, P.C. in Chicago; and the DuPage 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 **DuPage** County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

**LAND:** \$6,810 **IMPR.:** \$42,650 **TOTAL:** \$49,460

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

### **Statement of Jurisdiction**

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a decision of the DuPage 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 ranch style condominium dwelling of frame exterior construction with 904 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1980 and features a concrete slab foundation and central air conditioning. The property is located in Naperville, Naperville Township, DuPage County.

The appellant's appeal is based on overvaluation. In support of this argument the appellant submitted evidence disclosing the subject property was purchased in November 2018 for a price of \$125,000. The appellant completed Section IV – Recent Sale Data disclosing the transaction was not between family members or related corporations, that the subject was for sale by owner and reported the property had been advertised, although no manner of advertisement was disclosed. The appellant submitted a copy of the settlement statement which disclosed a sale date of November 19, 2018, reiterated the sale price and did not include the payment of

commissions to any real estate agents. In further support of the subject's recent sale, the appellant submitted copies of the real estate purchase contract, warranty deed and affidavit of title. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's assessment be reduced to reflect the purchase price.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$49,460 which reflects a market value of \$148,084 or \$163.81 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the 2020 three-year average median level of assessment for DuPage County of 33.40% as determined by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

In response to the appellant's evidence the board of review submitted a copy of the subject's PTAX-203 Real Estate Tax Declaration which disclosed the property had not been advertised for sale. Additionally, the board of review commented that no realtor payments were reported in the Settlement Statement and also stated the subject's sale in 2018 occurred outside of the township's general assessment cycle.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on three comparables located in the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject and within close proximity to the subject property. The comparables are improved with ranch style condominium dwellings that have 931 or 1,039 square feet of living area. The homes were each built in 1980 and feature a concrete slab foundation and central air conditioning. The properties sold from July 2017 to August 2019 for prices ranging from \$148,000 to \$168,000 or from \$151.11 to \$180.45 per square foot of living area, land included. 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 Board finds the best evidence of market value in the record to be the three comparable sales submitted by the board of review. These comparables were similar to the subject in location, age, design, dwelling size, foundation and other features. The comparables sold for prices ranging from \$148,000 to \$168,000 or \$151.11 to \$180.45 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$148,084 or \$163.81 per square foot of living area, including land, which is within the range established by the best comparable sales in this record. The Board gives little weight to the subject's recent sale which appears to lack the elements of an arm's length transaction. Based on information reported in the PTAX-203, the property does not appear to have been advertised for sale, a fact that was not refuted by the appellant. Additionally, based on information in the settlement statement, no commissions were paid to real estate professions. Based on this record the Board finds the subject's assessment is reflective of market value and 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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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:	June 27, 2023
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	Clerk of the Property Tax Appeal Board

Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code provides in part:

**IMPORTANT NOTICE** 

"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.

# PARTIES OF RECORD

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