



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

APPELLANT: John Wilhelm
DOCKET NO.: 21-01509.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 09-01-104-007

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are John Wilhelm, 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 **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: \$17,816
IMPR.: \$65,608
TOTAL: \$83,424

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 2021 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 2-story dwelling of vinyl siding exterior construction with 2,116 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 2012. Features of the home include a basement, central air conditioning and a 400 square foot garage. The property has an 8,120 square foot site and is located in Volo, Wauconda Township, Lake County.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted information on five comparables located within .43 of a mile from the subject property. The comparables have sites ranging in size from 8,120 to 10,790 square feet of land area and are improved with 2-story dwellings of vinyl siding exterior construction ranging in size from 2,116 to 2,400 square feet of living area. The homes were built from 2009 to 2013 and have basements. Each comparable has central air conditioning and a 400 to 590 square foot garage. Three comparables each have one fireplace. The comparables sold from February to

October 2020 for prices ranging from \$232,000 to \$273,450 or from \$98.89 to \$118.10 per square foot of living area, land included. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's assessment.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$83,424. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$250,899 or \$118.57 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the 2021 three-year average median level of assessment for Lake County of 33.25% as determined by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

In response to the appeal, the board of review critiqued the appellant's comparable sales noting differences in dwelling size to four of the comparables.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted information on five comparable sales located within .43 of a mile from the subject property. Comparable #2 is the same sale as appellant's comparable #4. The board of review reported the comparables have sites ranging in size from 8,310 to 11,520 square feet of land area and are improved with 2-story dwellings of wood siding or vinyl siding exterior construction ranging in size from 2,032 to 2,116 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built from 2007 to 2011 and have basements with two having finished area. Each comparable has central air conditioning and a garage ranging in size from 400 to 528 square feet of building area. The comparables sold from July 2020 to July 2021 for prices ranging from \$249,900 to \$330,000 or from \$118.10 to \$156.25 per square foot of living area, land included. 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 parties submitted a total of nine comparable sales to support their respective positions before the Property Tax Appeal Board which includes the common comparable. The Board gives less weight to appellant's comparables #1, #2, #3 and #5 which are less similar to the subject in dwelling size than the other comparables in the record. The Board gives less weight to board of review comparables #1 and #5 which have finished basement area unlike the subject.

The Board finds the best evidence of market value to be board of review comparables #2, #3 and #4 which includes the parties' common comparable. These three comparables are more similar to the subject in location, age, dwelling size, and most features. The properties sold from July 2020 to June 2021 for prices ranging from \$249,900 to \$295,000 or from \$118.10 to \$142.67 per square foot of living area, land included. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$250,899 or \$118.57 per square foot of living area, land included, which falls within the range established by the best comparable sales in this record. After considering adjustments to the best

comparables for differences when compared to the subject, the Board finds the subject's estimated market value reflected by its assessment is supported. Based on this evidence, the Board finds 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.



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:

August 22, 2023



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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