

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Gregg Shamberg
DOCKET NO.: 21-02258.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 16-27-115-021

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Gregg Shamberg, the appellant, by attorney Andrew J. Rukavina, of The Tax Appeal Company in Mundelein; and the Lake County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented in this matter, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds <u>a reduction</u> 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: \$ 57,543 **IMPR.:** \$ 203,896 **TOTAL:** \$ 261,439

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 stone and wood siding¹ exterior construction with 3,056 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 2007 and is approximately 14 years old. Features of the home include a partially finished basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace, and an attached garage with 400 square feet of building area. The property has a site measuring approximately 10,223 square feet of land area and is located in Highland Park, Moraine Township, Lake County.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted information on five comparable sales located within the same neighborhood code as is assigned to the subject property. The comparables have varying degrees of similarity

¹ Some descriptive information was drawn from the subject's property record card submitted by the board of review and not refuted by the appellant.

to the subject and sold from March 2020 to January 2021 for prices ranging from \$535,000 to \$864,500 or from \$188.65 to \$252.62. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested the subject's total assessment be reduced.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$277,724. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$833,255 or \$272.66 per square foot of living area, land included, when using the statutory level of assessment of 33.33%.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted information on three comparable sales, two of which are located within the same neighborhood code as the subject property and having varying degrees of similarity to the subject. The comparables sold from October 2020 to July 2021 for prices ranging from \$740,000 to \$895,000 or from \$276.55 to \$309.69 per square foot of living area, including land.

The board of review also disclosed that 2019 was the first year of the general assessment cycle for the subject property. It also disclosed that for tax year 2021 a township equalization factor of 1.00 was applied.

Based on this evidence, the board of review requested a confirmation of the subject's assessment.

The Property Tax Appeal Board takes judicial notice that the subject property was the subject matter of an appeal before the Board for the tax year 2020 under Docket No. 20-02065.001-R-1. In that appeal, the Property Tax Appeal Board issued a decision reducing the subject's total assessment to \$261,439 based on the evidence presented by the parties. Furthermore, the record reveals that the subject property is an owner-occupied residence as the residential appeal form as well as the subject's property record card depict the appellant's mailing address being the same as that of the subject property. The Board also finds that 2020 and 2021 are in the same general assessment period for Moraine Township and that a township equalization factor of 1.00 was applied in 2021.

Conclusion of Law

The subject property was the subject matter of an appeal before the Property Tax Appeal Board for the tax year 2020 under Docket No. 20-02065.001-R-1. The Property Tax Appeal Board finds that the assessment as established by the Board for the 2020 tax year should be carried forward to the tax year at issue subject only to equalization as provided by section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code.

Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-185) states in part:

If the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessment of a particular parcel on which a residence occupied by the owner is situated, such reduced assessment, subject to equalization, shall remain in effect for the remainder of the general assessment period as provided in Sections 9-215 through 9-225, unless that parcel is subsequently sold in an arm's length transaction establishing a fair cash value for the parcel that is different from the fair cash

value on which the Board's assessment is based, or unless the decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board is reversed or modified upon review.

The record disclosed the Property Tax Appeal Board issued a decision reducing the subject's assessment for the 2020 tax year. The record further indicates that the subject property is an owner-occupied dwelling and that 2020 and 2021 are within the same general assessment period. The record contains no evidence indicating the subject property sold in an arm's length transaction after the Board's decision or that the decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board has been reversed or modified upon review. The record also disclosed that a township equalization factor of 1.00 was applied in 2021. For these reasons, the Property Tax Appeal Board finds that a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted to reflect the assessment as established by the Board's prior year's decision plus the application of an equalization factor.

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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