

FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Teresa Beeson
DOCKET NO.: 21-04413.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 11-20-405-009

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Teresa Beeson, 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: \$57,632 **IMPR.:** \$81,103 **TOTAL:** \$138,735

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 is improved with a one-story dwelling of wood siding exterior construction containing 2,141 square feet of living area. The dwelling was built in 1974. Features of the home include an unfinished basement, central air conditioning, one fireplace and an attached garage with 495 square feet of building area. The property has a 13,205 square foot site and is in Libertyville, Libertyville 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 improved with one-story dwellings of frame construction that range in size from 1,854 to 2,028 square feet of living area. The homes were built in 1971 and 1972 with comparable #3 having an effective construction date of 1975. Each home has an unfinished basement, central air conditioning, and an attached garage ranging in size from 456 to 528 square feet of building area. One comparable has a fireplace. The

comparable sales have sites ranging in size from 10,927 to 18,926 square feet of land area and are located from .22 to .39 miles from the subject property. The sales occurred from September 2020 to April 2021 for prices ranging from \$305,000 to \$420,000 or from \$164.51 to \$207.10 per square foot of living area, land included. The appellant requested the subject's total assessment be reduced to \$131,302.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$138,735. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$417,248 or \$194.88 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 support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on four comparable sales with comparables #2 and #3 being the same properties as appellant's comparable sales #2 and #3, respectively. The comparables are improved with one-story dwellings of wood siding exterior construction built from 1958 to 1975 that range in size from 1,851 to 2,062 square feet of living area. Each comparable has an unfinished basement, central air conditioning, and an attached garage ranging in size from 456 to 520 square feet of building area. Three comparables each have one fireplace. The comparables have sites ranging in size from 10,970 to 34,410 square feet of land area and are located from .07 to 3.56 miles from the subject property. The sales occurred from September 2020 to April 2021 for prices ranging from \$370,000 to \$450,000 or from \$194.74 to \$218.23 per square foot of living area, land included. The board of review requested confirmation of the 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 information on five comparable sales to support their respective positions with two sales being common to both parties. The Board gives less weight to board of review comparable #4 due to differences from the subject in dwelling age, site size, and location. The Board finds the four remaining comparables are relatively similar to the subject dwelling and sold for prices that ranged from \$305,000 to \$420,000 or from \$164.51 to \$210.70 per square foot of living area, including land. The Board finds board of review comparable #1 was most similar to the subject in location and sold for a price of \$390,000 or \$210.70 per square foot of living area, including land. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$417,248 or \$194.88 per square foot of living area, including land, which is within the range established by the best comparable sales in this record and well supported by the comparable sale most similar to the subject property in location. Based on this evidence the Board finds the assessment of the subject property as established by the board of review is correct 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.

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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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