

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT:	David Eisman
DOCKET NO.:	22-01205.001-R-1
PARCEL NO .:	16-34-110-001

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are David Eisman, the appellant; 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>No Change</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:	\$86,828
IMPR.:	\$137,487
TOTAL:	\$224,315

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 2022 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 brick and frame exterior construction with 2,760 square feet of living area. The dwelling was constructed in 1964. Features of the home include a basement, central air conditioning, a fireplace, and a 484 square foot garage. The property has an approximately 15,616 square foot site and is located in Deerfield, Moraine Township, Lake County.

The appellant contends assessment inequity with respect to the improvement assessment as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument, the appellant submitted information on three comparables located in the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject. The comparables are reported to be 2-story dwellings of masonry exterior construction that range in size from 2,566 to 2,794 square feet of living area. The dwellings were built in 1965 and have basements, two with finished area. Each comparable has central air conditioning, one fireplace and a garage ranging in size from 484 to 586 square feet of building area. The comparables have improvement

assessments that range from \$100,737 to \$126,542 or from \$36.05 to \$45.84 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's improvement assessment.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$224,315. The subject has an improvement assessment of \$137,487 or \$49.81 per square foot of living area.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment, the board of review submitted information on five equity comparables located in the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject property. The comparables are described as 2-story dwellings of brick or brick and wood siding brick exterior construction ranging in size from 2,600 to 2,859 square feet of living area. The homes were built in 1964 or 1965 and have basements. Each comparable has central air conditioning, one fireplace and a garage ranging in size from 462 to 506 square feet of building area. The comparables have improvement assessments that range from \$129,310 to \$140,599 or from \$49.18 to \$50.58 per square foot of living area. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested the subject's assessment be confirmed.

# **Conclusion of Law**

The appellant contends assessment inequity as the basis of the appeal. When unequal treatment in the assessment process is the basis of the appeal, the inequity of the assessments must be proved by clear and convincing evidence 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.63(e). Proof of unequal treatment in the assessment process should consist of documentation of the assessments, for the assessment year in question, of not less than three comparable properties showing the similarity, proximity and lack of distinguishing characteristics of the assessment comparables to the subject property. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.65(b). 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 eight equity comparables for the Board's consideration similar in location. The Board gives less weight to appellant's comparable #1 #2 and #3 as well as board of review comparables #4 and #5 which are less similar to the subject in dwelling size and/or have finished basement area which is not a feature of the subject.

The Board finds the best evidence of assessment equity to be board of review comparables #2, #3, and #4 which are identical or nearly identical to the subject in dwelling size, age and features. These comparables have improvement assessments of \$137,082 and \$139,603 or for \$49.67 and \$50.58 per square foot of living area. The subject's improvement assessment of \$137,487 or \$49.81 per square foot of living area falls within the improvement assessments of the best comparables in the record both on overall and square foot bases. Based on this record, the Board finds the appellant did not demonstrate with clear and convincing evidence that the subject's improvement was inequitably assessed 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.

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:

January 16, 2024

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</u> <u>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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