FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION
ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Herman Crayton
DOCKET NO.: 07-01226.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 13-13-157-040

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Herman Crayton, the appellant, by attorney Clyde B. Hendricks in Peoria, and the Peoria County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds **no change** in the assessment of the property as established by the **Peoria** County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

LAND:	$2,920
IMPR.:	$21,960
TOTAL:	$24,880

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

ANALYSIS

The subject property is improved with a one-story dwelling of frame construction containing 1,216 square feet of living area. The dwelling was built in 1973. Features include central air conditioning.

The appellant submitted evidence before the Property Tax Appeal Board claiming overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of the claim the appellant submitted information on three comparable properties. Two are located in an area with the same neighborhood code as the subject. The appellant's comparables consist of one-story frame dwellings. They were built from 1970 to 1972. They contain 919 to 949 square feet of living area. Two have garages, and two have central air conditioning. The comparables sold from December 2006 to May 2007 for $50,000 to $56,500 or $52.68 to $61.08 per square foot of living area including land. 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" wherein the subject's assessment of $24,880 was disclosed. The subject's assessment reflects an estimated market value of $74,895 or $61.59 per square foot of living area

including land using Peoria County's 2007 three-year median level of assessments of 33.22%.

In support of the subject's assessment the board of review presented descriptions and sale price information on three comparable properties. They are located in the same neighborhood code area as the subject. They consist of one-story frame dwellings that were built in 1970 or 1971. The dwellings have 875 to 1,189 square feet of living area. All have garages and central air conditioning, and two have basements with recreation areas. The board of review's comparables sold from February 2005 to March 2006 for $81,000 to $82,000 or $68.12 to $93.71 per square foot of living area including land. Based on this evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

In rebuttal the appellant highlighted differences between the subject and the board of review's comparables. The appellant also argued that it is unfair to compare owner-occupied homes with rental properties such as the subject.

After reviewing the record and considering the evidence, the Property Tax Appeal Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this appeal. The Board further finds a reduction in the subject's assessment is not warranted.

The appellant argued the subject is overvalued. When market value is the basis of the appeal, the value must be proved by a preponderance of the evidence. Winnebago County Board of Review v. Property Tax Appeal Board, 313 Ill. App. 3d 179, 183, 728 N.E.2d 1256 (2nd Dist. 2000). After an analysis of the evidence, the Board finds the appellant has not met this burden.

The record contains six suggested comparable sales for the Board's consideration. The board of review's comparable #1 is close in size to the subject, while the other five comparables offered by the parties are significantly smaller. The six comparables sold for $50,000 to $82,000 or $52.68 to $93.71 per square foot of living area including land. The subject's estimated market value of $74,895 or $61.59 per square foot of living area including land is within that range. The subject's estimated market value per square foot is lower than the selling price of $68.12 per square foot of the board of review's comparable #1, which is the only comparable similar in size to the subject. That comparable is similar to the subject in other property characteristics except it has a 300 square foot garage not enjoyed by the subject. After considering the evidence the Board finds the appellant has not proven by a preponderance of the evidence that the subject is overvalued and no reduction is warranted.

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.

Chairman

Member

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Member

Member

DISSENTING:

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

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: October 22, 2010

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 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 the subsequent year 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.

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.