

Community Update - May 2021

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This month, we're thrilled to announce the launch of new community association podcast, **“Take it to the Board with Donna DiMaggio Berger.”** The podcast explores the reality of life in a community association, what's really involved in serving on its board, and how to maintain the ever-so-delicate balance of being legally compliant and community spirited. Check out this month's 'Did You Know' section for more information and make sure to subscribe!

Also, an important public service announcement as we all know that the start of Summer coincides with the beginning of Hurricane Season. While our hope each year is that we're spared from the worst, it's crucial that your association take necessary steps to ensure its prepared should disaster strike. If you have any questions or are in need of guidance, please reach out to your Becker attorney.

Igniting fireworks on any day, excluding certain holidays, is considered illegal if done without a permit. This month's featured article, **“Addressing ‘Exploding’ Frustrations Related to Fireworks Under New Law,”** outlines recommendations for HOAs with concerns about fireworks in their communities.

Of all enforcement options available to an association for violations of its governing documents, the imposition of fines is one that yields many questions due to the strict procedures required to impose a fine. We dig deeper into this topic in, **“What is a ‘Fining Committee’ and Who Can Be on It?”**

“Should an Association Allow Its Clubhouse, Or Other Common Area, To Be Used for Gambling?” This article weighs the pros and cons, so you can make an informed decision in your community.

Leasing restrictions are at the heart of our last article, **“Seagate Condominium Association, Inc. v. Duffy.”** Find out why THIS CASE matters.

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