A Fresh Start. A Shared Responsibility. A Stronger Diamondhead!

Diamondhead is more than a collection of homes—it is a community built around a lifestyle that is truly special. Our beautiful surroundings, two great golf courses, swimming pools, tennis and pickleball courts, recreational opportunities, and welcoming social spaces help make Diamondhead an exceptional place to live.

Today, however, our community is at a crossroads.

Annual POA fees for 2027 are due in mid December to receive the prepaid discount, and the decisions residents make over the next several months will have a meaningful impact on Diamondhead's future. Because POA fees are voluntary for most property owners, the continued operation and maintenance of many of the amenities we value depend upon residents choosing to support them. For our residents in areas of perpetuity, we understand your situation and are discussing options for you. Please hang in there with us.

We understand that this is a personal decision for every household. We also recognize that some residents remain disappointed or frustrated by decisions made by previous POA boards. Those concerns cannot simply be dismissed. Rebuilding trust will require more than words—it will require responsible financial management, greater transparency, open communication, and consistent results.

We accept that responsibility and are committed to earning your confidence.

To help turn that commitment into action, we have formed five new committees that bring Board members and residents together to focus on the areas most important to Diamondhead's future:

- **Marketing and Membership** will communicate the value of POA membership, strengthen relationships with current members, welcome new residents, and encourage former members to return.
- **Golf** will focus on increasing participation, improving the financial performance of our golf operations, and protecting the long-term quality of our two outstanding courses.
- **The Club** will work to increase utilization, strengthen food and beverage operations, and make the Club an even more welcoming gathering place for residents and guests.
- **Pools and Recreation** will focus on growing participation in our pools, tennis, pickleball, and other recreational activities.
- **Administration** will work to improve internal processes, financial accountability, communication, and transparency.

These committees are intended to bring new ideas, greater community involvement, and focused attention to the opportunities and challenges before us. Their work will support the Board's goal of operating more effectively, strengthening our amenities, and delivering greater value to members.

It goes without saying, the number of residents who pay their annual POA fees will directly influence the resources available to maintain our golf courses, pools, recreational facilities, events, and our activities at The Club.

Even residents who do not personally use every facility benefit from living in a community where these amenities are available and well maintained. They enhance our quality of life, encourage recreation and fellowship, attract new residents, and contribute to the character, appearance, and desirability of Diamondhead.

To those who have continued supporting the POA, we sincerely thank you. To those who previously chose not to renew, we respectfully ask you to take another look and give this new Board the opportunity to earn your confidence. To our newer residents, we invite you to become part of Diamondhead's future.

The next chapter of Diamondhead will be shaped by all of us. Together, we can protect what we value, rebuild trust, and ensure that our beautiful community continues to thrive for generations to come.

As I've stated in a few communications and last month's Diamondhead News, the Board has been spending a great deal of time with general Manager, Hoppy Smith, and his staff discussing the 2027 budget. We have a goal to get this completed sometime in the middle of October. One component of the budget is obviously what will the annual POA fees be for 2027? We are scrubbing numbers many ways and what I can say today, there will be no increase in fees next year. I hope this gives you some comfort as you read this article. We are looking at all opportunities within the budget to reduce the fees for 2027. Please know we are working hard in this regard and we will communicate this as soon as possible.

One last follow up from last month's article, we have engaged APAC as an accounting firm for our day to day activities. This transition has been very involved but we are confident we are moving the right direction using them to support our financial reporting. Unfortunately, we are still in the process of finalizing what we want from a reporting format structure so July and August summaries are not available to meet this month's Diamondhead News submission deadline. We will definitely include them in the next edition and have things ironed out moving forward.

As always, give me a call or email me with any of your questions, comments or concerns. Thank You!