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**Committee Members:**  
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Howard Katchen, R-3  
Lisa Petrus, Stakeholder  
Cheryl Shapiro, Stakeholder

**Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council  
Finance Committee Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, August 30, 2023 6:30 PM  
In-Person Meeting**

**Minutes of the Finance Committee**

**I. Meeting was called to order by Jeffrey Hartsough at 6:35 PM**

Committee Members Present – Jeffrey Hartsough, Cheryl Shapiro, Howard Katchen, 3 present, 2 absent (Levon Baronian & Lisa Petrus) Quorum Achieved.

**II. ADMINISTRATIVE MOTIONS:**

Item II. a, A motion to approve Finance Committee draft minutes dated Wednesday, July 26, 2023 as submitted was brought by Jeffrey Hartsough and seconded by Howard Katchen. Motion was approved by Finance Committee members, Jeffrey Hartsough, Howard Katchen, Cheryl Shapiro, 3 yes – 0 no, 2 absent (Levon Baronian & Lisa Petrus)

**III. COMMENTS BY PUBLIC OFFICIALS:**

There were no public officials in attendance.

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was a public comment by a gentleman who wanted to remain anonymous. He advised the committee of the demise of the Studio City Neighborhood Council. Additionally, a former member of SONC, Harold Shapiro, advised us that he was still on the distribution list of mailings to members and would like to be removed.

**V. TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Item IV.a, The new fiscal year FY 2023-24 began on July 1, 2023. SONC has been notified by the city clerk, the rollover funds available will be approximately \$7,860.01.

Item IV.b, Individuals interested in becoming a member of the Finance Committee should contact the Chair, Jeffrey Hartsough, email: [jeffrey.hartsough.sonc@gmail.com](mailto:jeffrey.hartsough.sonc@gmail.com).

Item IV.c, The next Finance Committee scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, September 27, 2023.

**VI. THE FOLLOWING FUNDING MOTION/ACTION ITEMS WERE REVIEWED & ACTED UPON:**

Discussion of agenda item V.a, the monthly expense report (MER) for the period ending June 30, 2023, was reviewed. A motion to approve as submitted was brought by Howard Katchen and seconded, by Cheryl Shapiro. Motion was unanimously approved by SONC Finance Committee members in attendance, 3 yes, 0 no, Jeffrey Hartsough, Howard Katchen, Cheryl Shapiro, 2 absent – (Levon Baronian & Lisa Petrus). There were no public comments.

Discussion of agenda item V.b, a motion to approve an expenditure of up to \$4,900 for Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council’s Fall Community Event to be held in October 2023 or November 2023 (date will be determined by the availability of space at the Van Nuys Sherman Oaks War Memorial Park). Funds will be utilized for film rental/licensing fees, production services, pre-movies festivities, Halloween candies, tents, tables chairs, event insurance, SONC branded materials, promotion, and other event items. A motion to approve was brought by Howard Katchen and seconded, by Cheryl Shapiro . Motion was unanimously approved by SONC Finance Committee members in attendance, 3 yes, 0 no, Jeffrey Hartsough, Howard Katchen, Cheryl Shapiro, 2 absent – (Levon Baronian & Lisa Petrus ). There were no public comments.

**VII. FINANCE COMMITTEE BUSINESS:**

Discussion of Item VII,a., committee received Rollover Letter FY23 from the Office of the City Clerk. The funds could be used for the purchase of more SONC branded items such as post its, beach balls, baseball hats, magnetic badges, whistles, flashlights, pill holders, pens, etc.

**VIII. FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Howard Katchen advised the committee that if anyone is interested in attending the annual Congress of Neighborhoods, registration is currently open.

**IX. Meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM.**