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# CH's financial policies to be reviewed

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*The Champion*

Conservation Halton (CH) will form an ad hoc finance committee, pending board approval, in response to a recommendation made by Halton Region that the agency review its financial policies and format.

The recommendation to form a finance committee was presented by an ad hoc

financial review committee — created by CH to respond to the Region's recommendation — at Thursday's executive committee meeting, and was approved.

It will go before CH's board of directors Thursday.

In December, Halton Region's finance and administration committee recommended budget approvals by the Region

depend on CH conducting a review of its financial policies and format.

It seemingly alluded to tension between CH and the Region.

"Relations between the Region of Halton and Conservation Halton have been difficult and deteriorating in some areas," reads the report of CH's financial review committee. "It appears that some unnecessary difficulties have arisen based on differences in reporting formats and communications."

The finance committee — which will be a subcommittee of the executive committee — will review CH's annual budgets and financial forecasts and make recommendations to the executive committee, among other tasks.

"I think it makes a lot of sense to have such a committee in certain respects," said CH executive committee member Chris Walker.

In addition to forming a finance committee, the review committee recommended the budget format be revised for clarity.

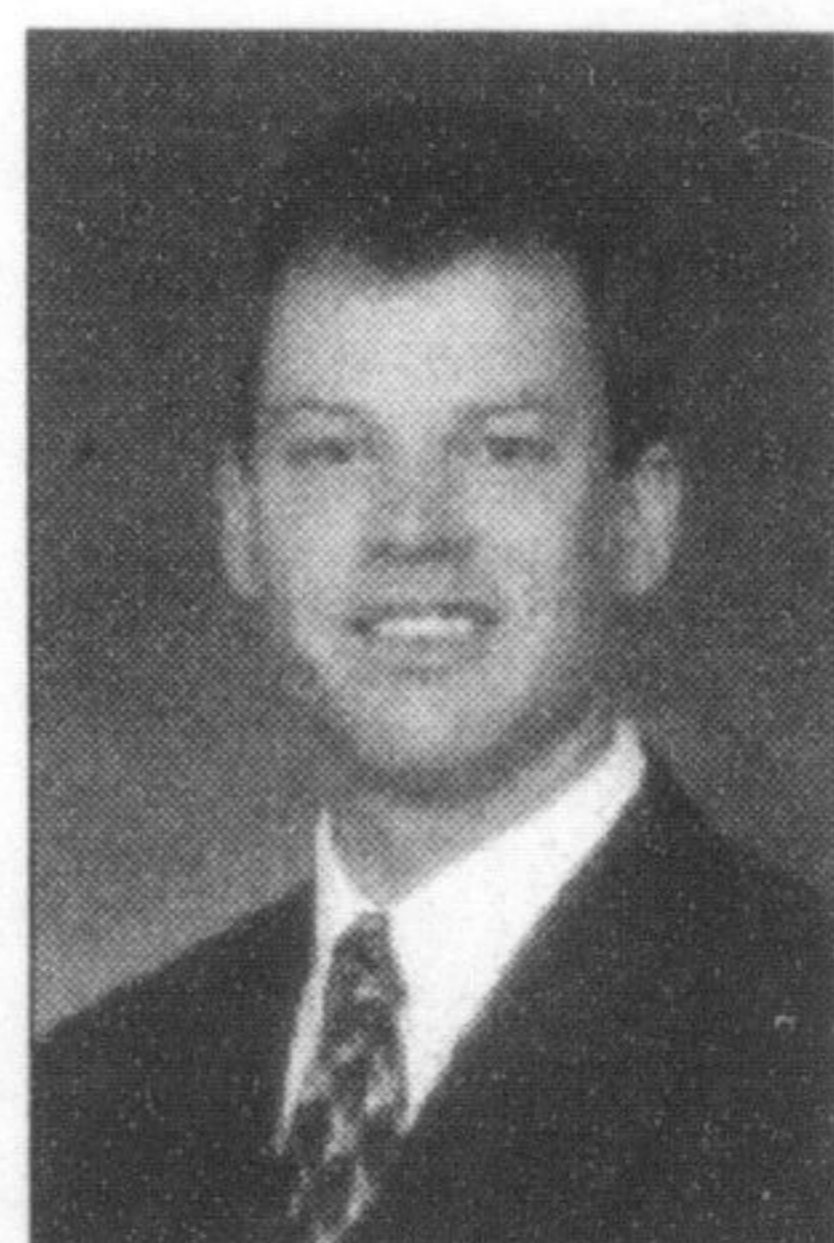
"While it doesn't solve all areas of friction with the Region, it's the recommendation of the committee that Conservation Halton develop a revised budget format," said financial review committee chair John Vice.

The committee also recommended Thursday that CH's external relations committee examine a duplication of efforts pointed out by Regional Chair Joyce Savoline between CH and the Region, and create a joint strategy to minimize duplication and reduce costs.

Each of the recommendations was approved.

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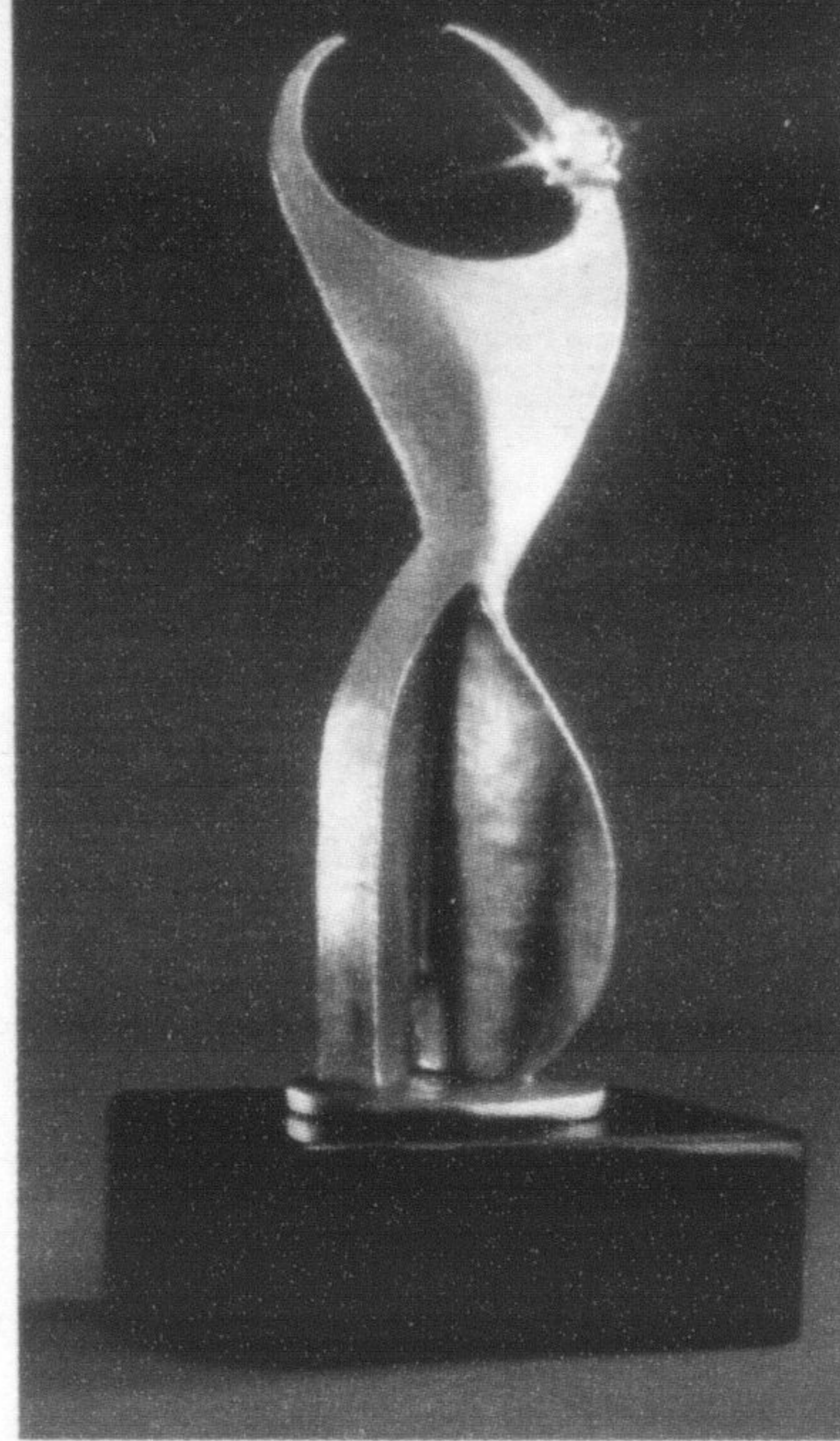
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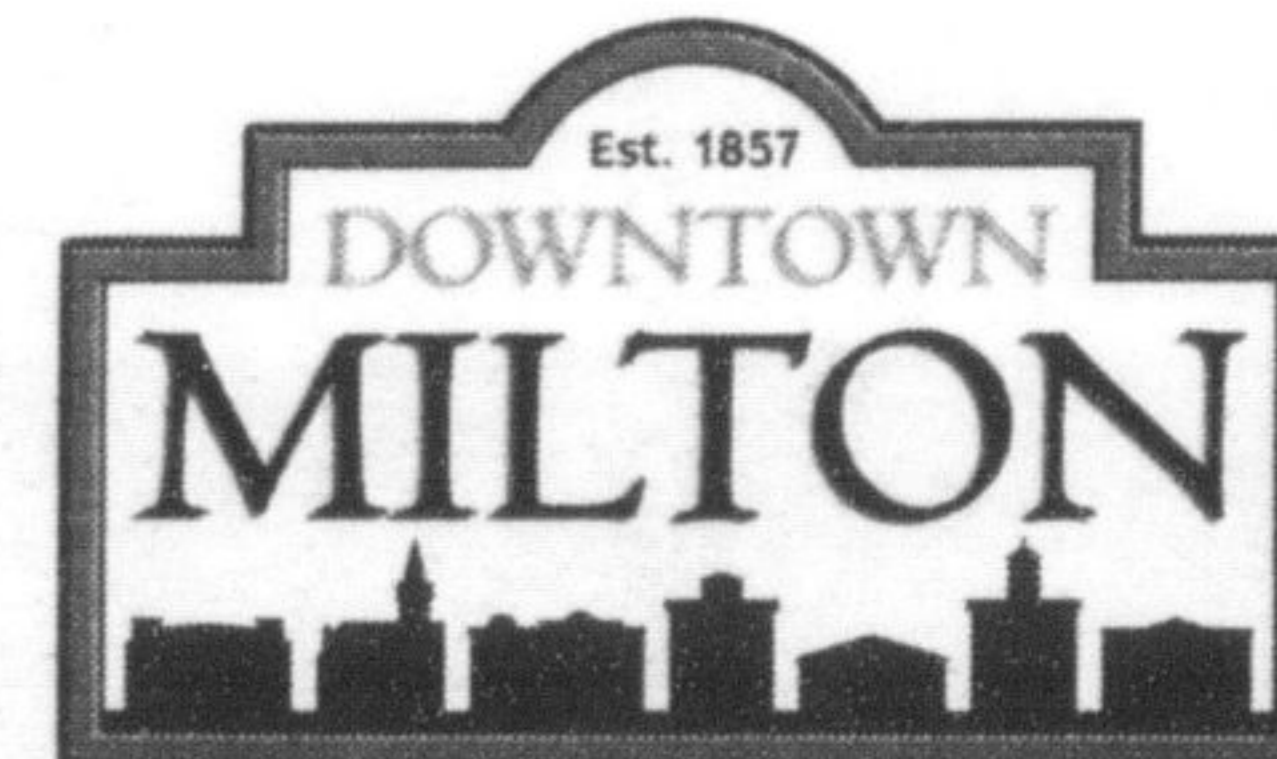


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