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MESSY SITUATION: Woodbine Entertainment Group employees and their families were among the numerous volunteers who pitched in to help clean up the roadsides of Nassagaweya Saturday. Here, Anne Brown, who works at the Woodbine-operated Mohawk Racetrack, and niece Sarah Bradley, 11, pick up trash on Guelph Line. The annual clean-up was organized by the Nassagaweya Community Consultation Committee.

Town eyes \$47 million for projects

By Tim Foran
CANADIAN CHAMPION STAFF

A list of projects for which the Town of Milton is seeking federal and provincial government funding is certainly not lacking in ambition, and if approved it could give Milton property taxpayers a massive break.

Approved by town council Monday night, the municipality is applying for more than \$47 million in infrastructure funding from the two upper governments for four projects that have a total cost of about \$97 million and which would be completed by 2011.

To cover the remaining \$50 million in costs, the Town would use close to \$36 million in funds collected from developers and almost \$8 million in non-tax supported money to contribute to the projects, according to a staff report.

That would leave Milton paying only \$6 million from reserves and debt to finance the projects.

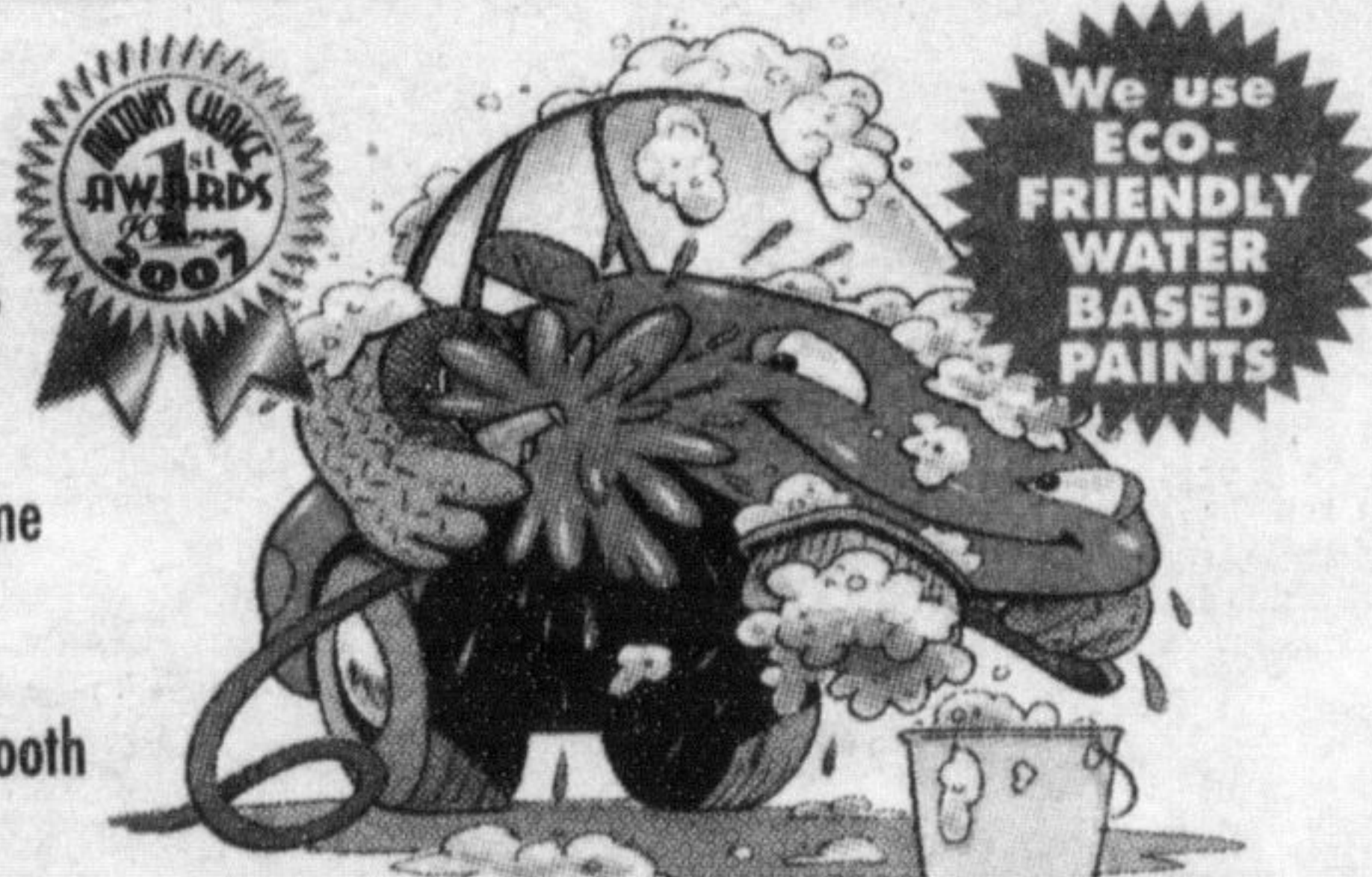
The biggest funding request is for \$16 million for the first phase of a new \$40 million cultural hub at the southeast corner of Main Street and Thompson Road. The long discussed project would include a central library and visual arts facility to be built by March 31, 2011. For the second phase, the Town would construct a performing arts theatre on the site later that year.

This is the second time the municipality is attempting to secure grants for the project through the Building Canada fund for communities with less than 100,000

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