

There were lots of items donated by sponsors for the silent auction. (Rees Photo)



The official opening cake.



There was lots of pulled pork for the Official Opening lunch. (Rees Photo)



An overview of part of the crowd attending the opening. (Rees Photo)



Councillors for Millbrook Nation gathered at the same table during East Coast International's Official Opening to listen to Chief Bob Gloade welcome guests and East Coast International to the Truro Power Centre. (Rees Photo)



The Hampton Inn and Suites opened late in 2016. It's attracted a lot of new visitors to the area, and is almost booked full for the Legends Bingo \$110,000 event at the end of October. (Rees Photo)



Nearing completion this larger building has received a lot of attention and is expected to be leased within a few weeks. (Rees Photo)



Referred to as Building #3 in the Truro Power Centre new mini-mall, this side walls are up and the roof trusses are on-site and will be installed soon. (Rees Photo)

## \$30-Million Invested at Truro Power Centre

*By Maurice Rees*

In the 17 years since development of Truro Power Centre started in 2000 over \$30-Million worth of investment has created a hub of retail, recreational and leisure focused businesses and the momentum just keeps growing with no end in sight for Millbrook First Nation's Truro Power Centre.

In hotels first it was the Super 8 Motel, but with the site becoming a much larger destination, and a lot more businesses locating there, 2016 saw the opening of Hampton Inn and Suites, which was just the beginning of momentum for 2017. Since then a 19,250 sq ft building for East Coast International has been completed and was officially opened on September 7th. Four other buildings are nearing the end of construction, a three building complex known as the mini-mall and opening in late October or November a new food facility housing Cheese Curds and Habaneros restaurant will provide a selection of fresh

gourmet burgers, poutine and various Mexican cuisines.

Rapid development has seen 21 hectares utilized in Phases 1 & 2. The nine hectares in Phase 2 of the park's development required an allocation of \$4.5-Million for clearing for roads, water and sewer. Phase 3 will unveil another 11 hectares for additional development.

The Millbrook Power Centre encompasses acres of premium fully serviced and easily accessible commercial land on the most traveled stretch of Nova Scotia's highway outside of the Halifax metropolitan area. The Millbrook Power Centre has grown rapidly because businesses locating there are being successful.

The Millbrook team comprising Chief Bob Gloade, a very active and engaged council and Terry French, Director of Commercial Operations are always seeking new partnerships for future development. Several new projects are anticipated for 2018.

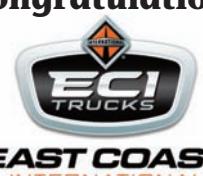


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