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## October Meeting

#### What

Nat Massey, Senior Manager of F & P Manufacturing, will provide a presentation and tour of F & P Georgia.

### When

Tuesday, October 8, 2024 4:00 PM Tour and Presentation Meal at Sam's Burger Deli to follow tour

### Where

F & P Georgia 88 Enterprise Drive Rome, GA 30161

PDH will be awarded.

## Press Release from Rome Floyd Development Authority (10/31/2023):

...one of Floyd County's largest employers, F&P Georgia, announced that it will be conducting a \$22 million expansion to its facility as a result of contracts with automakers Honda and Tesla.

F&P's facility, located on 51 acres of the Floyd County Industrial Park, is a tier one automotive supplier and this is only the most recent of a series of expansions at the company's Rome plant.

That expansion will add an additional 25 jobs to the company's current workforce, Nat Massey, the senior manager at F&P Manufacturing said. The Rome Floyd County Development Authority signed off on backing the expansion and 10 year tax abatement on Monday.

The F&P announcement comes on the heels of the company's new partnership with Tesla and growing relations with Honda. The company will be making suspension components for the brand-new Cyber Truck which will be made in Austin, Texas.

"We are very excited about this new venture with Tesla and our continued work with Honda," Massey said.

Bruce Critchlow, the plant's manager who has been with F&P since their beginnings in Floyd County said he would like to thank Rome and Floyd County as well as the Rome Floyd County Development Authority for their continued support of F&P Georgia.

"From our initial construction to the most recent of six major expansions, the Rome and Floyd County communities have always supported F&P and our plans for growth," Critchlow said. "When I started here, there was just an empty field and a handful of associates. Now we have 400,000 square feet under our roof and 520 top notch associates."

F&P opened in Rome in 2001 with 70 employees and has already expanded several times before 2012, when the company went into a second building in the industrial park. In 2014, it added another 50,000 square feet to that building. The most recent expansions have been in 2020 and, again, in 2022.



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## Possible Meeting Topics/Tours for 2024 - 2025

Presentation by the Rome/Floyd County Development Authority
Tour of an industrial facility at the Shannon Industrial Park
Financial Planning for Professionals
STATCOM Technology
Update on Tax Laws for Engineers/Professionals

Presentation from Georgia Power (Solar Power Installations)

Presentation of Water Treatment Facility Enhancements (to remo

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Tour of new apartment complex near Baron stadium

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