Railroad Model Club of Atlanta Club Meeting Minutes- April 20, 2024

Meeting Called to Order- 10:23 a.m.

Board Members in Attendance:

President- Dan Mason

Vice President- Joe Congemi

Secretary- Daniella Congemi

Treasurer- Tom Lavin

Emeritus Director- Pete Silcox

General Members in Attendance:

David Butts (absent)

Bruce Copeland

Pete DeBruin

David Gaines (absent)

Walter Horlacher (absent)

Steve Kerr

George Kinney

Ken Kmack (absent)

Richard Morhard (absent)

Raymond Rebsamen (absent)

Charles Robinson (absent)

Brad Smith

Ovidiu Trifanescu (absent)

Pat Turner (absent)

James Watson (absent)

Terry Weldon (absent)

Chase Withrow

John Woods (absent)

Prospective Members:

Jim Herak

Darrin Godwin

David Godwin

Wes Weston

Welcome Prospective Members

Vice President Report-

Joe: Next meeting will be at Steve Kerr's house on May 18, 2024. June-December Operating meetings will be at Joe and Daniella Congemi's house unless otherwise noted. Is

there any interest in attending the Model Railroad days at SouthEastern Railroad Museum in Duluth on the weekend of Jun 30, 2024. We need to know by May 1, 2024. Need to meet with Brad Smith at his office in Hiram to pick up club engines to take to Joe Scales before May 11, 2024. **Send out E-mail**

Financial Report-

Tom: No report

Building Business-

Dan: Map building plans, site plans, industrial park, contract. Dan brought it to the meeting and it is online in Google Drive to take a closer look or print a copy. Takes a while to get all the information, plans, and contracts to get everything together. That is why it has taken a while to get everything set. Details on the buildings are the most complicated parts, including the tenant space in the building. We have a lawyer that is doing it, Dan is sending information to the lawyer including drafts and changes so that there is a neutral party. It is in Ball Ground GA. 7,200 square feet. Railroad part is 5,200 square feet.

Tom Lavin: Added 30 electrical plugs to the building. Very little structural issues because it only comes up through the concrete for the receptacle for outlets. The layout is bound to go over at least 2 of the receptacles.

Old Business-

Dan: See building report

New Business-

Dan: Running Trains

Secretary Report-

Daniella: I am hoping to put together a monthly newsletter to send out to our members and possibly prospective members. In order to do this, I would like to have members of the club write and send me articles about their experiences in the club, what they love about it, what they love about model railroading, any updates to their layouts, and any other interesting information that they may like to share. Pictures would be greatly appreciated of your endeavors and layouts. If there are any life events, I would also love to receive any updates and pictures so I can post it to the newsletter. I would also like to incorporate a member spotlight in the newsletter where you would tell me about your life experiences, your love of trains, and what got you into the model railroad community. I will pick members at random for this and it would most likely be in an interview format. If there is anyone who would not like to do this, please let me know. My hope was to do a member spotlight once every other month and I would be contacting you directly.

Meeting Adjourned- 10:36 a.m.